

Village of Lakewood Club

Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by President Russell Lichner at 7:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: President Russell Lichner, Trustee Debbie Houtteman, Mark Spencer, Robert Sikkenga, Jaci Mudge, Jack Carmean. Street Administrator Rick Budde, Clerk Wendy Bloem and Treasurer Lisa Swanson. Absent Sarah Swanson.

SPECIAL:

President Lichner read a letter of resignation from the Planning Commission from Mark Verhoeven. President Lichner accepted his resignation from the Planning Commission and thanked him for his service.

ACCEPT OR AMEND AGENDA:

Trustee Sikkenga would like to add under other “tiny houses.”

Motion by Trustee Sikkenga, second from Trustee Spencer to amend and approve the meeting agenda for February 26, 2018. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman **Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**, J. Mudge- **Aye**. Ayes: 5, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ken Mahoney, County Commissioner reported that the County budget balanced, he also stated that Muskegon County Airport will be offering an early flight from Muskegon to Chicago and the airport is operating on their own funds, they no longer need to be subsidized from the County’s General Fund. Mr. Mahoney also reported that Brook Haven Nursing Home is closed, all the residents have been re-located and almost every employee has a new job.

WORK SESSION MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Spencer, second from Trustee Carmean to accept the January 22, 2018 Work Session minutes as submitted by Clerk Bloem. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman **Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**, J. Mudge- **Aye**. Ayes: 5, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion by Trustee Carmean, second from Trustee Sikkenga to accept the January 22, 2018 regular meeting minutes as submitted by Clerk Bloem. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman **Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**, J. Mudge- **Aye**. Ayes: 5, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Motion by Trustee Carmean, second from Trustee Spencer, to accept the February 2018 Treasurer’s report as submitted by Treasurer Lisa Swanson. Trustee D. Houtteman **Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**, J. Mudge- **Aye**. Ayes: 5, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

FINANCE REPORT:

Motion by Trustee Spencer, second from Trustee Houtteman to accept the finance report and pay the bills for the month of February 2018. Trustee D. Houtteman **Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**, J. Mudge- **Aye**. Ayes: 5, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

LIQUOR INSPECTION: Three inspections made and on file for review.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT:

Ordinance Enforcer Mike Mudge submitted a report for the month of January 2018. Rick Budde informed the Council that a letter needs to be sent to 128 W. Kenwood there is a lot of junk on the property. Council directed the Clerk to mail a letter to the owners of the property and send a copy to the people renting the house.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS: On file for review.

PARKS:

Rick Budde reported that the fishing pier is separating between two sections. He would like President Lichner to take a look at it to see what needs to be done.

STREETS AND MAINTENANCE:

Street Administrator Rick Budde reported he has been filling holes and blading Local Roads.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Trustee Mudge reported that the Planning Commission has been working on the golf cart ordinance and are reviewing the definitions of the Zoning Ordinance.

CALENDAR:

Council discussed and decided to hold the Budget Work Session Meeting on Tuesday March 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. The Human Resource meeting will be held on Wednesday March 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. when needed. The Planning Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday March 21, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The Village Work Session Meeting will be held on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. the regular meeting will follow at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Part-time maintenance position:

Street Supervisor Rick Budde would like the office to set up an account with Michigan Works.

B. Golf carts in Village:

Village Council will review the Golf Cart Ordinance and bring back to the March Meeting.

C. Update on Esch Court:

Clerk Bloem informed the Village Council that Esch pleaded not guilty and the trial will be March 14, 2018 at 9:00 am.

D. Vandalism in Village:

Village Council discussed and decided to have an information letter regarding the vandalism in the Village be add to the Spring newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Walk Way Survey:

Mary Kilmer informed the Council that Babe Brenner whom owns a home on Fox Lake, is a retired surveyor that is willing to survey the walk way around the lake free of charge. Trustee Spencer questioned whether his survey would be legal if he is not licensed in Michigan. Rick Budde stated that the walk way has already been surveyed, Mr. Brenner would find the markers and Rick would help set stakes so as to identify the walkway as opposed to private property ownership. No action taken at this time.

B. Other:

Trustee Sikkenga was approached about putting a tiny home on his vacant property, he asked the Council how they feel about this. Consensus of the Council is that a minimum size for homes has been set in the Village Zoning Ordinance and it needs to be followed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee J. Mudge to adjourn the February 26, 2018 meeting 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Bloem, Clerk