

Village of Lakewood Club
Meeting Minutes
November 23, 2015
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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, Sarah Swanson, Mort Loss, Jack Carmean, Street Administrator Rick Budde and Clerk Wendy Bloem.

ABSENT: Treasurer Lisa Swanson

ACCEPT OR AMEND AGENDA:

Motion by Trustee Sikkenga, second from Trustee Loss to accept the November 23, 2015 meeting agenda as submitted. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson-**Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- State Representative Holly Hughes reported that the State road package is finished.

- Juan Cabrera, 6605 Automobile Road, stated his concern regarding semi-trucks and trailers being parked in the Village.

WORK SESSION MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Carmean, second from Trustee Spencer to accept the October 26, 2015 Work Session minutes as submitted by Clerk W. Bloem. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson- **Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion by Trustee Loss, second from Trustee Carmean to accept the October 26, 2015 Regular meeting minutes as submitted by Clerk W. Bloem. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson- **Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by Trustee Spencer, second from Trustee Loss to accept the November 2015 Treasurer's report as submitted by Treasurer Lisa Swanson. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson- **Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

FINANCE REPORT:

Motion by Trustee Sikkenga, second from Trustee Carmean to accept the finance report and pay the bills for the month of November 2015. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson- **Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

ANINMAL CONTROL: Report on file.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT:

Ordinance Enforcer Michael Mudge submitted a report for review for the month of October 2015.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS: On file for review.

PARK:

Park Administrator Rick Budde reported the park is shut down for the winter.

STREETS & MAINTENANCE:

Street Administrator Rick Budde submitted an Engineer's Opinion of Costs from Prien and Newhof for Automobile Road Project. The estimate total is \$498,000. Rick stated that he put in for a small urban grant for 2017, so far he has not heard whether the Village has got the grant.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Clerk Bloem reported that the Planning Commission has submitted to the Council the amended Storage Ordinance for approval. The Planning Commission is currently working on the sign ordinance.

CALENDAR:

The Village office will be closed beginning Thursday December 24, 2015 Christmas Eve through Thursday December 31, 2015. The Village office will re-open on Monday January 4, 2015. The Human Resource meeting will be held when needed, on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. The Planning Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday December 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. **The Village work session meeting is re-scheduled to be held on Monday December 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.; the regular meeting will follow at 7:00 p.m.**

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Update on 2016 fireworks:

Rick Budde stated that he contacted Wolverine asking them if they would be willing to shoot the Village fireworks and he has not received a call back from them. He will contact them this week.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Storage Ordinance:

The Planning Commission recommends the following changes to Regulatory Ordinance #42 known as the Storage Ordinance as follows, under Section 7. Storage of Vehicles and Equipment add (c) It shall be unlawful for the owner, tenant or lessee of any lot in any commercial and/or planned unit development zoning district to permit the open storage or parking outside of a building of semi-tractor trucks and /or semi-trailers, bulldozers, earth carriers, cranes or any other similar equipment or machinery, unless engaged in loading or unloading related to the use of the lot or parked thereon while in use for construction being conducted on such lot. Council discussed and agreed that they do not want to take a residents way of living away from them. They have no problem with parking the semi-truck in the Village it is the trailer that should be prohibited. Council would like the change to be no semi-trucks or trailers shall be parked on vacant residential or commercial property. Council would like this to go back to the Planning Commission with these suggestions.

B. Dalton Township Transfer Station:

President Lichner stated that Supervisor Jerry McIntyre from Dalton Township stopped by the Village hall and informed the girls in the office that the Township is losing money on the transfer station. He asked if the Council would allow Rick on a weekly bases to push the brush in a pile and compact the hoppers. Trustee Sikkenga stated that the reason we had Rick stop doing this several years ago is because of the wear and tear on the loader tires and the cost to replace them. President Lichner stated that he will stop in a talk to the Supervisor.

C. Village Roads:

Ordinance Enforcer Mike Mudge stated that there is a big problem with people driving recklessly and tearing up the Village roads. He asked the Village Council if they would consider having the office mail out a newsletter informing Village residents that if they are driving recklessly and tearing up roads their car license number will be turned into the police and a ticket will be issued.

Motion by Trustee Sikkenga, second from Trustee Spencer to approve the mailing of a newsletter to Village residents. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson- **Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

D. Holiday office closing:

Clerk Bloem asked Council if the Village office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's Day this year. Council discussed and stated that this has been done in the past and agreed the office should be closed from Thursday December 24, 2015 through Thursday December 31, 2015 and will re-open on Monday, January 4, 2016.

E. December meeting:

Clerk Bloem stated the office will be closed the week of the Village meeting, she asked the Council to move the Village meeting up a week to Monday December 21, 2015.

Motion by Trustee Loss, second from Trustee Sikkenga to change the Village meeting date from Monday December 28, 2015 to Monday December 21, 2015. Roll call: Trustee D. Houtteman-**Aye**, M. Spencer-**Aye**, R. Sikkenga-**Aye**, S. Swanson- **Aye**, M. Loss-**Aye**, J. Carmean-**Aye**. Ayes: 6, Nays: None. **Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Sarah Swanson at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Bloem, Clerk