

**AGENDA**  
*THE PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL*  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday, December 10, 2018**

Call Meeting to Order at **6:30 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call: Andreski, Brecht, Bruce, Jobe, Maschke, Polega, & President Murawski

Additions/Deletions/Revisions to Agenda

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**AGENDA:**

1. Ken Lind
2. 2019 Council Meeting Schedule
3. Budget Adjustments

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Approve:

November 12, 2018 Council Minutes

Acknowledge Receipt Of:

October Police Report

November Police Report

Cash Summary, & Revenue & Expenditure Report

**PAYMENT OF BILLS - - - - - \$22,213.57**

**ATTORNEY:**

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT / REQUEST:**

DPW:

Police:

Clerk Report: Lighthouse

Treasurer Report:

BOARD REPORTS:

Central Huron Ambulance Report:

Downtown Development Authority Report:

Planning Commission Report:

Huron Regional Water Authority Report:

Port Austin Area Sewer & Water Authority Report:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President Confer is a member of all Committees

Finance, Grants & Insurance ----- Brecht & Kendall

1.

Labor, Personnel & Police ----- Jobe & Maschke

1.

Motor Pool & Operations ----- Brecht & Andreski

1.

Ordinance ----- Kendall & Maschke

1. Noise

Parks & Recreation ----- Polega & Jobe

1. Rec. Plan                      2. Bird Creek                      3. Bridge                      4. Splash Pad

Buildings, Grounds, Streets ----- Andreski & Polega

1. Easements                      2. Charging Station

Fish Cleaning Station ----- Mike Morgan, Todd Murawski, Brandt Rousseaux, Andreski

1.

Water Task Force ----- Kendall, King

1.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Adjourn:

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*PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING*  
*17 West State Street, Port Austin, MI 48467*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andreski, Brecht, Bruce, Jobe, Maschke, Polega, and Murawski

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Thomas Rapson, Dale Hartsell, Chad Parrish

GUESTS PRESENT: Kind Lind, Carol Inda, Deb Hubbard

President Murawski called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

Roll Call was taken.

Murawski added Independence Street, E-mails and Pure Michigan to the agenda.

**Public Comment:**

Carol Inda was present and discussed the plans for the next Port Austin school reunion on July 26 and 27 2019. Inda has submitted the special event request to the Clerk.

**Agenda:** Ken Lind from EMC insurance was present and explained the claim he is processing for the damage to the Fire Hall and the Fire Truck.

He also commented that he has spoken with the Clerk and DPW about the leak in the Welcome Center. He has advised them to remove the dry wall and assess the extent of the damage before a claim is filed.

Lind also reviewed the Village's liability insurance policy renewal. He answered several questions from the council.

The council thanked Lind for attending the meeting.

The 2019 Council meeting scheduled was reviewed. Discussion was had on moving the location of the meetings back to the Village Hall.

**Moved Maschke, support Andreski** to approve the 2019 meeting schedule as presented with the location of the meetings to be the Village Hall. Ayes: All

Some discussion was had on the budget adjustments.

**Moved Brecht, support Andreski** to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Ayes: All

Murawski explained his idea for Independence Street. There are two sections of Independence Street that are not developed and are not practical to develop into useable street. They are from Lakeview to the lake, which is currently all woods, and from East Spring north to the developed dead end of Independence, which is currently just grass that has to be cut. He would like to look into possibly selling these two sections and use the funds towards grants for either Tower Park or Bird Creek Park.

Much discussion was had on the process to be able to sell these sections. The first step would be to have the sections surveyed so we have a proper description of the area.

**Moved Polega, support Maschke** to have the sections discussed surveyed as two separate lots. Ayes: All

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Murawski explained that he feels that it would be better for the Village Council to be using a Village e-mail account instead of their personal accounts for Village business. Rapson commented that we can have e-mail accounts through the Village website.

**Moved Brecht, support Maschke** to have Clerk Rapson set up Village e-mail accounts for the council members. Ayes: All

Murawski discussed the letter that was sent to Pure Michigan from Point Aux Barques regarding the use of Turnip Rock in promotional material. There has also been a response from Pure Michigan. Polega read both letters out loud. Much Discussion was had. Murawski feels the Village should send a letter to Pure Michigan addressing the issue and express our support for their efforts in promoting our area.

**Moved Andreski, support Polega** to draft a letter to Pure Michigan supporting them and their efforts to promote our area and discuss the many things that can be promoted in our area. Ayes: All  
Murawski will work on drafting the letter.

**Correspondence:** NA

**Moved Bruce, support Andreski** to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: All

There were several additions to the bills and council was given an updated bill sheet.

**Moved Brecht, support Jobe** to pay the bills, as amended, in the amount of \$24,680.21. Ayes: All

**Attorneys:** NA

**Department head report/requests:**

**DPW:** Parrish commented that everything is good. Murawski commented that we should have some part time backup help for the DPW for the winter months to help with snow removal if needed. He would be willing to volunteer also. Some discussion was had.

**Moved Maschke, support Andreski** to have George Pettit, and Jim Collier as backup help. Ayes: All

**Moved Bruce, support Polega** to approve Todd Murawski as a Volunteer help for the winter. Ayes: All

**Police:** NA

**Clerk:** Rapson explained the request from the cub scouts to have their monthly meetings at the Welcome Center. **Moved Bruce, Support Jobe** to approve the meeting request as presented with the fee being waived. Ayes: All

Rapson explained that his and the Treasurers computers are ten years old now and are starting to show their age. He has gotten pricing from Thumb office and would like permission to spend up to \$1,800 to replace both computers.

**Moved Bruce, support Brecht** to approve up to \$1,800 for two new computers from Thumb Office. Ayes: All

**Treasurer:** Discussion was had on the boat slip rental and the one renter that has not paid in full for this past season. Nienaltowski reported that we have sent him an invoice for the remaining amount. Much discussion was had on changing the payment policy for the boat slips to have a \$500 nonrefundable deposit at time of contract signing and to be paid in full by May 1<sup>st</sup> or the slip is forfeited. Rapson will get the wording to the attorney to draft up the changes for approval.

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**Moved Maschke, support Bruce** to have the attorney send a letter to John Hollems regarding the balance owed on his slip from the 2018 season. Ayes: All

Ambulance: NA

DDA: NA

Planning: NA

HRWA: NA

PAASWA: NA

**Committee Reports:**

Ordinance: Some discussion was had on possible restrictions on Fireworks, and also on a marijuana ordinance.

Parks: Rapson was asked to set a public hearing for the Rec. Plan for 6:15pm on January 14 before the next council meeting.

**Council Member Comments:** Maschke commented about the large plant that has shown up in the Welcome Center. It is too large for the space. Consensus was to have it removed by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year.

Polega welcomed the new members.

Bruce thanked everyone for the votes.

Murawski commented that he would like a certificate sent to Dan Confer and Fred Kendall for their service on the Council.

With no further business; **Moved Bruce, support Maschke** meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.

**Clerk Certification**

I the undersigned, Thomas Rapson, the duly qualified and appointed Clerk for the Village of Port Austin, Huron County Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Village of Port Austin,

At a regular board meeting conducted on the \_\_\_10\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_December\_\_\_\_\_ 2018.

\_\_\_\_\_ Thomas Rapson, Village Clerk