

AGENDA
THE PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, December 11, 2017

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call: Andreski, Brecht, Jobe, Kendall, Maschke, Polega, & President Confer

Additions/Deletions/Revisions to Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT:

AGENDA:

1. PAASWA Sewer and Water Rate Ordinance
2. 2018 Council Meeting Schedule
3. Budget Adjustments

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve:

November 13, 2017 Council Minutes

November 30, 2017 Public Hearing Minutes

Acknowledge Receipt Of:

November Police Report

November 7th, Fire Dept Minutes

Income and Balance Sheet

PAYMENT OF BILLS - - - - - \$23,612.29

ATTORNEY:

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT / REQUEST:

DPW: Activity Log

Police:

Clerk Report:

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. MERS

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

- 1. Job Descriptions

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

- 1.

Ordinance ----- Kendall & Maschke

- 1.

Parks & Recreation ----- Polega & Jobe

- 1.

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

- 1. Gym 2. Independence 3. Easements 4. Street Classification

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

- 1.

Water Task Force ----- Kendall, Maschke

- 1.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Adjourn:

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17 West State Street, Port Austin, MI 48467

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andreski, Brecht, Jobe, Kendall, Maschke, Polega, Confer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Thomas Rapson, Dale Hartsell, Amanda Nienaltowski, Chad Parrish

GUESTS PRESENT: Cameron Schwanitz

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

Roll Call was taken.

Rehmann was added as #4 to the agenda

Public Comment: Cameron Schwanitz was present and discussed the Village advertising in the Visitors Guide as they have done in the past. With the new format the price for the space would be \$680, last year the cost was \$345 which would be acceptable.

Moved Maschke, support Polega to advertise in the Visitors Guide as we have done in the past for a cost of \$345. Ayes: All

Agenda: Confer explained the process that was undertaken to develop the new pricing structure. The new prices will be as follows:

Water Availability Fee: \$55.31

Sewer Availability Fee: \$73.06

Water Usage: \$3.74 per 1000 gallons

Brecht asked if there were to be more customers or if the Water Task force was able to get a high user, would the rates be recalculated? Kendall commented that they will recalculate each year and adjust if necessary.

Some discussion was had

Moved Andreski, support Polega to approve the Ordinance for Pricing Methodology of Water Distribution and Waste Treatment as presented. Roll Call Vote;

Ayes: Andreski, Brecht, Jobe, Kendall Polega Nays: Maschke

The 2018 Council Meeting Scheduled was presented. Rapson commented that no meetings land on any holidays.

Moved Maschke, support Polega to approve the 2018 Meeting schedule as presented. Ayes: All

Nienaltowski presented the budget adjustments. This will bring us up to where we are at now.

Maschke asked if there was a way to separate or bold some of the changes so that the increases and decreases could be distinguished. Nienaltowski will do that on the next one.

Moved Polega, Support Jobe to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Ayes: All

Rehmann has sent over two change orders to be approved. The first is for the additional work that was previously approved. However the amount listed on the change order is \$5,500 - \$6,500.

The second is for an Act 51 performance report at a cost of \$1,500 - \$2,000.

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Some discussion was had on the cost of the additional work. It was already approved to spend up to \$5,500. Brecht asked how far will they need to go? Will they have to go back another year to 2015? **Moved Kendall, support Maschke** to approve up to \$6,500 predicated that this gets us to the starting point needed. Ayes: All

Much discussion was had on the performance audit and the letter that came with the change order stating that it is no longer required by the state.

Moved Polega, support Kendall to have them do the performance Audit for \$1,500 - \$2,000.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kendall, Maschke, Polega Nays: Andreski, Brecht, Jobe, Confer

Motion Fails

Correspondence: NA

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

There was one addition to the bills for \$1,056.68.

Moved Maschke, support Jobe to pay the bills, with addition, in the amount of \$24,668.97. Ayes: All

Attorneys: Input was gotten on the new rate ordinance.

Discussion was had on seeking the attorneys input on what recourse can be sought against the previous auditors.

Moved Kendall, support Maschke to have the attorney contact Rehmann regarding what can be done towards the previous auditors. Ayes: All

Department head report/requests:

DPW: Parrish explained that he has provided an activity log of what they spent their time on last month. Some discussion was had on the benefits of the log and how much time it takes to do it.

Moved Maschke, support Jobe to leave it as is and not have Parrish do the log.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Andreski, Jobe, Maschke, Confer Nays: Brecht, Kendall, Polega

Parrish also reported that he has been approached by someone who would be interested in the old boat docks when the new ones are installed.

Police: NA

Clerk: Rapson explained the tablet that was purchased for Mike Williams when he was DPW chief. It is not currently being used by anyone. Consensus was to keep the tablet. Hartsell commented that he could use it for taking photos for the police department.

Treasurer: NA

Ambulance: Maschke gave a brief update on the ambulance.

DDA: Next meeting is on Dec. 21st.

Planning: No regular meetings till spring.

HRWA: Next meeting is on Thursday.

PAASWA: Everything is running good. They will be looking at bulk water rates and the rates for Pte. Aux Barques.

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Committee Reports:

Finance: Kendall commented that the State has come out with a new website that gives a financial rating for all communities.

Police: Much discussion was had on the Township Police contract. The township is willing to do a renewal of the current contract for one year with the per hour rate at \$22 per hour.

Moved Brecht, support Maschke to accept the \$22 per hour with all other items remaining the same.

Ayes: 5 Nays: Kendall

Ordinance: Maschke commented that there are still two dumpsters that are not in compliance. Rapson explained that the one dumpster has been being kept indoors but has been sitting out for a while now. He explained the history of contact with the other owner. He has been told that it will be moved soon. Maschke also commented that there is a camper on Independence Street that has not moved for a long time and is looking pretty run down. Hartsell will send a letter to the owner of the motor home.

Parks: Some discussion was had on the plans from the MSU students. Jobe explained her conversation with Mr. Sosnoski regarding his Rose Festival event request. Rapson commented that if Mr. Sosnoski wishes to withdraw his event request he would like something in writing stating so.

Buildings, Grounds, and Streets: Confer reported that the committee is working on getting prices on improvements to continue to use it as a gym.

Rapson gave a brief update on the progress on the Vine Street sea wall.

Water: Kendall commented that the website is up and running. www.thumbwater.com

Council Member Comments:

All: Merry Christmas to everyone

With no further business; **Moved Kendall, support Jobe** meeting adjourned at 8:01 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 ___11th___ day of _____December_____ 2017.

_____ Thomas Rapson, Village Clerk