

AGENDA  
*THE PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL*  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, February 14, 2011

Call Meeting to Order at **8:30 a.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call: Andreski, Bruce, Hogan, Nichols, Ranger, Toner, & President Murawski

Additions/ Deletions/ Revisions to Agenda

AGENDA:

1. Mediation update
2. Set Budget Hearing date
3. Audit

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve:

January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Council Minutes

Acknowledge Receipt Of:

January 2011 Balance Sheet and Income statements

January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 PAAS&WA meeting minutes

January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 Port Austin Fire Dept minutes

PAYMENT OF BILLS----- \$ 5,105.80

ATTORNEY:

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT / REQUEST:

Bob Horetski:

Dale Hartsell:

Clerk Report:

Treasurer Report:

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

February 14, 2011 8:30 a.m.

President Murawski is a member of all Committees

Finance, Grants & Insurance ----- Chair Ranger & Nichols

- 1. Boat Slip Improvements

Labor, Personnel & Police ----- Chair Nichols & Ranger

Motor Pool & Operations ----- Chair Bruce & Toner

- 1. Vacuum truck
- 2. Sidewalk Snow Removal

Ordinance ----- Chair Bruce & Andreski

- 1. Dog Issues
- 2. ORV

Parks & Recreation ----- Chair Toner & Bruce

Special Events & Press Management ----- Chair Nichols & Ranger

Public Buildings & Grounds ----- Chair Andreski & Hogan

Streets, Sidewalk, Drains & Lighting ----- Chair Hogan & Andreski

- 1. Easements

Waste Management ----- Chair Hogan & Toner

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Adjourn:

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*17 West State Street, Port Austin, MI 48467*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andreski, Bruce, Ranger, Toner, & President Murawski

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hogan, Nichols

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Thomas Rapson, Dale Hartsell, Amanda Nienaltowski, Bob Horetski

GUESTS PRESENT: John Upthegrove, Darcie Finan, Lisa Pridnia, John Pridnia, Gary Babcock, Joyce Stanek

President Murawski called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by President Murawski.

Roll Call was taken.

There were two additions to the agenda. John Pridnia - Updates, and John Upthegrove - DDA budget.

Murawski gave a brief update of the mediation with Majestic on February 4<sup>th</sup>. There was an agreement reached for what is to be paid. It is contingent upon Majestic paying all of their subs and receiving signed waivers from them. Then the Village will pay the agreed amount within 7 days. Some discussion was had.

Some discussion was had on the date and time for the budget hearing.

**Moved Bruce, support Andreski** to set the budget hearing for February 28, 2011 at 6 p.m. at the Village Hall. Ayes: All

Discussion was had on the audit. The auditors have sent an agreement for the next three years with the cost of the audit being \$3,600 per year. That is an \$800 increase from last year. The decision was tabled until next meeting so treasurer Nienaltowski can contact them to find out the reason for the increase.

John Pridnia gave an update on the State Harbor project. The State has discovered that the cement pier needs repair also so they need to meet and prioritize the work that they want to get done first. John will let us know more when he hears the details.

John also gave an update on the Farmers Market. Darcie Finan is the Market Manager. There has also been a board created so that decisions are not only made by one person. Approximately \$10,000 in advertising will be spent this year. They will be limiting it to 220 vendors on the busier weekends. The market opens May 28<sup>th</sup> and its last day will be October 15<sup>th</sup>.

John then presented a model of a sculpture idea for the "hub" in Veterans Waterfront Park. This project would be at NO cost to the Village or the DDA. John believes he will be able to find a source to fund the project. The sculpture would be made of ¼ inch stainless steel. He is looking for permission from the Village to pursue the project.

**Moved Ranger, support Toner** to allow John Pridnia to pursue the Veterans Waterfront Park Sculpture project at no cost to the Village or the DDA. Ayes: All

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John Upthegrove presented a DDA payment schedule for the next two years. It shows what payments the DDA is responsible for and what will be left at the end of each year.

**Correspondence:** NA

**Public Comment:** NA

**Moved Bruce, support Toner** to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: All

There is one addition to the bills, Bell equipment for \$49.50.

**Moved Bruce, support Andreski** to pay the bills, with the addition, in the amount of \$ 5,155.30 Ayes: All

**Attorneys:** Council was presented with the two ordinances that Attorney Boyle has drafted regarding ORV and Snowmobile use in the Village limits. Chief Hartsell has reviewed them both and feels they are alright.

**Moved Bruce, support Andreski** to approve the Snowmobile ordinance, #01-11, as written. Ayes: All

**Moved Bruce, support Andreski** to approve the ORV ordinance, #02-11, as written. Ayes: All

**Department head report/requests:**

**Bob:** Big plow truck is fixed. He is wondering if the council would like to get picnic tables for the new pavilion in Veterans Park. Also would they like some grills installed. Buildings and grounds will work with Bob on tables and grills.

**Dale:** Police car grant has been given to the state by USDA. He is still waiting to hear more.

**Clerk:** Rapson informed council he will be out of the office on vacation from March 1<sup>st</sup> through March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer:** Has talked with Kim regarding the Gallup Drain issue. She is still working on it. Kim did however find that property SEV can be used in the formula to determine the assessment.

Andreski commented that if we are successful, will that raise everyone else's assessment to make up the short fall. Nienaltowski will keep everyone updated when she knows more.

Nienaltowski will also have budget adjustments at the next meeting.

**Planning:** Andreski reported that there is a work session scheduled for Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>.

**DDA:** Meeting is scheduled for this Thursday at 6pm.

**Committee Reports:**

**Motor Pool:** Much discussion was had on equipment that would work for clearing the sidewalks. Toner has gotten some information on a machine that would be multiple uses. He will continue to work on it.

**Parks and Rec:** Toner is working on the recreation plan that has expired.

**Public Buildings:** Picnic Tables, BBQ grills, and Park signage were added under the committee reports.

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Streets: Andreski will take another look at the easement issue and see what our course of action should be.

**Council Member Comments:**

Ranger: Have we received any response for the HRWA position? No. Murawski will be filling in until someone is found.

Murawski: Modern Marvels was in town shooting footage of how a torpedo level is made. John Uptegrove said the tentative air date for the show is March 18<sup>th</sup>.

With no further business; **Moved Bruce;** meeting adjourned, 9:52 a.m.

**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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2011.

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