

AGENDA
THE PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, May 23, 2011

Call Meeting to Order at **8:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Additions/ Deletions/ Revisions to Agenda

AGENDA:

1. Resolution setting Street Administrator

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. MDOT
2. Huron County 911
3. Liquor Control

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Catherine Feil

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve:

May 9th, 2011 Council Minutes

Acknowledge Receipt Of:

April 2011 Balance Sheet and Income Statement

April 2011 Monthly Police Report

PAYMENT OF BILLS----- \$ 1,497.21

ATTORNEYS:

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT / REQUEST:

Bob Horetski:

Dale Hartsell:

Clerk Report: Election

Treasurer Report: Personal Property Taxes

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

May 9, 2011 8:20 a.m.

President Murawski is a member of all Committees

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

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

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

- 1. Multi-use tractor

Ordinance ----- Chair Bruce & Andreski

- 1. Dog issues

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

- 1. Rec. plan update

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

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

- 1. Wish List 2.

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

- 1. Easements 2. Streetscape Poles 3. Bridge

Waste Management ----- Chair Hogan & Toner

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Adjourn:

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

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

GUESTS PRESENT: Mike Nichols, Jim Grant, Ray Braun, John Rapson, Joyce Stanek, Mark Gembariski, Catherine Feil

President Murawski called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by President Murawski.

Roll Call was taken.

Murawski would like to add the letter from John Rapson as #4 under correspondence.

Rapson explained the street administrator resolution. It is a formality so that Bob is set as the street administrator, which he has already been doing since Dick Babcock retired. **Moved Nichols, support Bruce** to approve the resolution designating Bob Horetski as Street Administrator as presented. Ayes: All

Correspondence:

Some discussion was had on the letter from MDOT regarding the streetlight. Our light is under evaluation for possible removal. Nichols questioned if we own or have ever owned the light. We do not think so.

The Huron County 911 Central Dispatch is having a Conference if anyone is interested.

A letter from the liquor control was reviewed.

Much discussion was had on the letter received from John Rapson regarding his concerns with the Huron Regional Water board and some of its members. John Rapson was present and explained his concerns.

Hogan feels we should send it to the attorney to look into. Much discussion was had.

Clerk Rapson was asked to send a copy of the letter to attorney Chris Boyle for review.

Public Comment: Catherine Feil presented some pictures of her front yard where the snow plow damaged her yard. She is only asking for a bucket load of dirt so that she can fix it. She will take care of spreading and seeding it. Horetski will get a bucket of compost dirt to her.

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

There are three additions to the bills, Clancy Bros Excavating for \$180, Lees Landscaping for \$202.50, and Seley Fire Protection for \$260. Discussion was had on the additions.

Moved Bruce, support Toner to pay the bills, with the additions, in the amount of \$ 2,139.71 Ayes: All

Attorneys: Rapson read an e-mail received from Chris Boyle regarding the blight complaint. Boyle will be meeting with the property owner this coming weekend and we get more details.

Rapson was asked to let Boyle know that they would like a written time line and list of repairs to be done by the next council meeting on June 13th.

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Department head report/requests:

Bob: explained that there is still a leak in the Visitors Center sprinkler system. If you turn the system off while you are not using it then there is no pressure at the boat slips. He will be working with Murawski to install a zone valve to help the problem.

Horetski also commented that Rapson is going to print up some signs to put at residents when they leave grass clippings out for pick up, as we do not pick up grass clippings.

He also commented that they will not be buying new mulch this year.

Hogan asked about MDOT and painting parking spots. Horetski said he had talked with the police work crew and they had said that if you bring MDOT in to mark the spots, they make you comply with all of the set back from hydrants and such. Which would most likely decrease the number of spots we would have.

Hogan commented that maybe we should mark them ourselves.

Dale: NA

Clerk: It is election year again. If anyone is interested in running then please pick up a nominating petition and have it back to me by June 21st. The seats that are up of election are Renee Nichols, Casey Bruce, Brian Toner and President Todd Murawski. Nichols commented that she has decided not to run again.

Rapson also explained what we are going to do with the newsletter this year. It will be a one page front and back and will be mailed with the taxes. This will save postage. If committees have anything please get it to Rapson as soon as possible.

Treasurer: Nienaltowski commented that she has tried to get a copy of the U&I rental contract so we can look at the section about alcohol, but has not gotten one yet. Darcie Finan said that she will get a copy for us.

Nienaltowski explained the delinquent personal property taxes that she would like permission to write off. The balance of all would be \$973.59. Bruce feels we should have attorney Boyle collect the balance from Port Austin Laundry as he will be meeting with him this weekend. Ranger suggested setting up a non collectable list to move these too. Moved Nichols, support Andreski to allow the treasurer to create a non-collectable list and to transfer said personal property taxes to it.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Andreski, Bruce, Hogan, Nichols, Ranger, Toner and Murawski. Nays: 0

Planning: Andreski explained that the commission is still working on the excavation sections. They will also be addressing the accessory building location requirement and the square foot requirement needed for Marks approval.

DDA: No quorum was had at the last meeting.

Committee Reports:

Motor Pool: Trackless Municipal Tractors will be bringing a demo up next week with a mower deck on it for us to try. The sales rep talked about a plat tour sometime also if anyone would be interested.

Ordinance: Rapson was asked to have the dog ordinance ready for the next meeting with whatever changes he has.

Parks & Recreation: Committee is still working on the recreation plan. They are almost finished. Toner asked if there was a way we could do a schedule that is posted at the park so that the teams could check to see if the field is available a certain day? He will work with Bob on some type of a kiosk.

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Special Events: Pilate's class is going to start in the gym on June 2nd.

There will be an open house at the Visitors Center on Memorial Day and also an official ribbon cutting after the Memorial Day service.

Streets: We have not gotten anything back yet from Boyle on the easements.

Hogan commented that some of the street lights are out by the Visitors Center.

Horetski commented that all of the lights in the park will be on for Friday night. He also mentioned that he has not been able to paint anymore of the Streetscape pole bases yet.

Andreski commented that he will be talking to the Road Commission on a schedule and amount for doing the Spring Street bridge repair work.

Hogan asked Horetski when the water leak by the restaurants will be fixed. Hopefully tomorrow.

Waste: They will start working on the new contract in November.

Council Member Comments:

Nichols commented that there is so much going on in the office here, and she would like to thank Rapson, Nienaltowski, and Horetski for all their hard work.

With no further business; **Moved Bruce;** meeting adjourned, 9:14 p.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 23 day of May 2011.

_____ Thomas Rapson, Village Clerk