

Monday May 13, 2019

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Amanda Nienaltowski, Dale Hartsell, Josh Kidd

GUESTS PRESENT: Barb King, Jim Bronson, Robin Bronson, Don Bronson, Darcie Finan Morgan, Judy Beam, Pat Davis

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

Roll Call was taken.

Bird Creek Park Committee, Marihuana Ordinance, Corner Stop Light were added as agenda items.

Public Comment:

Robin Bronson: approached the board regarding the trailer in the driveway at 203 Union Street. The property owner did move the trailer from the side drive on Prospect Street to Union Street, but Bronson still believe it violates ordinance due to the commercial signage and the size of the trailer. Council will have the attorney send a letter to the property owner.

Pat Davis: presented her views on the military jets and her concern about the risks involved for the community and welfare of its tourists and residents.

Agenda:

1. **Port Austin Gym – Terry Boyle** presented a quote sheet from the committee to stabilize the gym. Repairs/renovations included tuck pointing, new glass windows and doors, gas furnaces, roof repair, lighting, and bathroom renovations. Total estimated cost: \$88132.27. Discussion was had. Council needs a master plan for what the gym would be utilized for. Project sent to committee for a more detailed plan and to review the roof and tuck pointing estimates.

2. **Life Jacket Station** – Sheriff Hanson would like to implement life jacket stations at Bird Creek Park & Vet's Park to promote water safety.

Motion Maschke, Support Bruce to donate \$500 towards the Life Jacket Station project. Ayes: All

3. **Fireworks 2019 – Motion Bruce, Support Andreski** to approve the 2019 Fireworks permit. Ayes: All

4. **Ambulance Resolution – Motion Bruce, Support Polega** to approve the 2019 Central Huron Ambulance resolution. Ayes: All

Motion Bruce, Support Polega to approve the 2019 Central Huron Ambulance payment of \$2656.00. Ayes: All

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5. **Bird Creek Park Committee** – Committee formed with 2 DDA members (Murawski & Jason Zimmerman) as well as current Parks & Rec Committee (Bruce & Polega) to be responsible for an overall plan for the park.

Maschke also mentioned the erosion problem at the park is a concern.

6. **Marihuana Ordinance** – Maschke presented an example of a marihuana ordinance prohibiting marihuana establishments. Discussion was had. Do we want to prohibit or not? A letter was read regarding an update on emergency rules that the State may approve in June. Ordinance to be sent to the attorney for review.
7. **Corner Stop Light** – Bruce recommends hiring Louise Nagel re-plant and maintain the landscaping/flowers by the Visitor Center corner. Total cost to be \$6500. Bruce suggests Village to pay half and to approach DDA for other half.

Motion Maschke, Support Jobe to expend \$3250 from the boat dock funds towards Visitor Center landscaping. Ayes: All

Correspondence:

1. **Pickleball Court Request:** Bad Axe Pickleball group requests to put two (2) temporary pickleball courts up in the north gym lot from 5:30pm-7pm in conjunction with the Huron County Community Foundation's grant application event May 16th. They are one of the applications seeking a grant. **Motion Bruce, Support Jobe** to allow two (2) temporary pickleball courts in the north gym lot. Ayes: All
2. **Special Events Forms:**
Motion Bruce, Support Brecht to approve the 2019 Bocce Ball event request with permission for liquor license. Ayes: All
Motion Bruce, Support Maschke to approve the 2019 July 4th Fireworks special request form. Ayes: All
3. Nienaltowski informed council the Village was not accepted for the MDOT Category B Grant for Independence Street. State had allocated \$3 million for projects and received applications for over \$25 million.
4. **Compliant Form:** A complaint form was submitted regarding 449 West Spring Street as an abandoned house that is falling apart. Council to send issue to the attorney for course of action.

Murawski also commented on a number of issues throughout town that need to be addressed, i.e. campers, landscaping in the road right of ways, running businesses out of residences, etc. Discussion was had. Council will get a list of items that may warrant the attorney's attention or need to be put as reminders in the Village newsletter. Murawski and Dale Hartsell to assess issues in town regarding police ordinances, as well.

Discussion was also had on putting a trail cam with cellular data at the compost site. Polega will look into this.

Consent Agenda:

Motion Bruce, Support Polega to approve the consent agenda as presented.

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Bills: Motion Bruce, Support Brecht to approve the bills with additions in the amount of \$5643.57. Ayes: All

Department head report/requests:

DPW: Kidd addressed the board with Rainbow Restorations quote to repair the water issue at the Visitor Center. Discussion was had. **Motion Maschke, Support Bruce** to accept Rainbow Restorations' bid. Ayes: All

Maschke asked about putting a clock down at the Visitor Center meeting room.

Polega recommended the dandelions at the Village Green be sprayed. Kidd will take care of them by the weekend.

No seasonal applications have been received since last meeting.

Police: Dale Hartsell informed council about an incident at a local bar this weekend. Discussion was had.

Clerk: Auditors scheduled for July 9th-11th.

Board Reports:

Ambulance: Maschke stated the ambulance board showed a small profit last month.

Committee Reports:

Buildings, Grounds, & Streets: Committee will continue working on the sidewalk repairs program. The corner by the theater/library is one of the worse areas. Committee will work on getting an estimate for repairs.

Council Member Comments:

Bruce: Welcome back Marlene Jobe and good job to Josh Kidd

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

Clerk Certification

I the undersigned, Amanda Nienaltowski, 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 ___13___ day of _____May_____ 2019.

_____ Amanda Nienaltowski, Village Clerk