

Monday February 13, 2023

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andreski , Bruce, Murawski, Brecht, King

MEMBERS ABSENT: , Maschke, Polega

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Amanda Nienaltowski, Thomas Rapson, Kevin Jimkoski, Dale Hartsell

GUESTS PRESENT: Robin Bronson, Jim Bronson, Dawn Thompson, Mary Babcock, Caren Voss

Budget Hearing called to order at 6:15 pm.

Brecht gave a synopsis of the 2023-2024 budget. Discussion was had on expenses and revenues. Costs are increasing. Projects have costs the village, but don't bring in revenues.

Budget Hearing adjourned at 6:46pm. Ayes: All

Regular meeting called to order at 6:46 pm.

Public Comment:

Jim Bronson – Raised concern about the roadways/ground being plowed back and causing a mess in town. What can be done to avoid this? It will be costly/time consuming to fix.

Robin Bronson – Inquired about the ambulance and fire department budgets. Who has control?

Deanna Kidd - Addressed a few items for the butterfly house:

- Bike Rack
- South Driveway Signage
- Community Garden Signage
- Location of the Garden Beds/ adding 4 more

Agenda:

1. **2023-2024 Budget – Motion Bruce, support Andreski to approve the 2023-2024 Budget as presented. Ayes: All**
2. **Tax Rates – Motion Bruce, support Brecht to approve the street millage to be 3.00 mills. Ayes: ALL**
3. **Trash Collection Rate – Finance committee recommends raising the trash collection rate from \$10.30 to \$12.00 per month (\$20.60 per billing period to \$24.00). Motion Brecht, support King to approve the trash collection rate to \$12.00 per month, effective immediately. Ayes: All**
4. **2023-2024 Wages –**
 - a. **Motion Bruce, support Andreski to approve a \$2.20 per hour wage increase to Jerry Kula. Ayes: All**
 - b. **Motion Bruce, support Andreski to approve a \$2.00 per hour wage increase to Drew McIntyre and full time DPW worker. Ayes: All**
 - c. **Motion Bruce, support Andreski to approve a 3%wage increase to Kevin Jimkoski, Thomas Rapson, and Amanda Nienaltowski. Ayes: All**
5. **Presidents Day/MLK Day – Motion Bruce, support Andreski to add Presidents Day and Martin Luther King Junior Day as paid holidays in the employee handbooks. Ayes: All**
6. **2022-2023 Budget Adjustments – Motion Bruce, support Andreski to approve the 2022-2023 Budget Adjustments as presented. Ayes: All**
7. **Stiverson Invoice – Motion Brecht, support King to approve Stiverson's invoice of \$23,040 for Independence Street work. Ayes: All**

Monday February 13, 2023

8. **Port Austin Estates -Blight** – Chief Hartsell gave an update. A letter will be sent to the owner of the trailer park. East Spring Street has been getting items cleaned up also.
 9. **Sidewalk Schedule – Motion Brecht, support King to put bids out for the following sidewalks:**
 - a. M-25 to Madison on Adams
 - b. East side Madison to Arthur on Adams
- Aye: All**
10. **Independence Street Bids – Motion Bruce, support Brecht to award the bid for Independence Street to Clancy Brothers Excavation for \$516896.42, for a total of \$664896.42 with contingencies, engineering and inspections. Ayes: All Abstain: Andreski**
 11. **Larned Road – Motion Brecht, support Bruce to approve Larned Road work for \$38,500. Ayes: All**
 12. **2023-2024 Central Huron Ambulance Resolution – Motion Bruce, support Brecht to approve the 2023-2024 Central Huron Ambulance Resolution, as presented. Roll Call Ayes: King, Brecht, Andreski, Bruce. Nays: none**
 13. **MERS Unfunded Liability Pension Payment – Motion Brecht, support King to approve \$5000 from the 2022-2023 budget toward the MERS unfunded pension liability. Ayes: All**
 14. **Boat Slips – Discussion was had on the annual price of the municipal boat slips. Sheriff and jet ski business to be put on March agenda. Motion Brecht, support Bruce to increase the slip rate to \$1750.00. Ayes: All**

Correspondence:

2023 PACP Great Event - Motion Brecht, support Andreski to approve the 2023 PACP Great Event with permission to serve alcohol, as presented. Ayes: All

Correspondence was received from Terry Ross regarding Alpena SUA.

Consent Agenda:

Motion Bruce, support Andreski to accept the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: All

Bills:

Motion Bruce, support Brecht approve the bills in the amount of \$2272.26. Ayes: All

Attorney: none

Department head report/requests:

DPW: New truck is in.

Police: Casino trip raised \$2800 for the fireworks.

Clerk: We were not selected for the SPARK grant through the State of Michigan for the gym/farmers market structure.

Board Reports: none

Committee Reports: none

Council Member Comments: none

With no further business; **Moved Bruce, support Andreski** meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Clerk Certification

Monday February 13, 2023

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 February 2023.

_____ Amanda Nienaltowski, Village Clerk