

Monday March 14, 2022

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Amanda Nienaltowski, Thomas Rapson, Kevin Jimkoski

GUESTS PRESENT: Judy Beam, Charlie Parks, Tyler Pettit,

Regular meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

Public Comment: Judy Beam was present to let council know she has been working with the Parks and Recreation Committee to progress the dog park. She will continue working with this committee.

Agenda:

- 1. Charlie Parks** – presented a history of the Village’s parks and “pocket parks.” He presented Council with a handout that broke down the various parks in the Village. Mr. Parks also would like Council to get more help in the DPW department (Council already advertising for this). Mr. Parks also mentioned that the Bird Creek Park boardwalk needs attention and the Water Tower Park would be a possible location for horseshoe pits or bocce ball courts.
- 2. Tyler Pettit from PAASWA** – brought the PAASWA and HRWA meter pit agreement. This contract will stipulate which entity pays for which expenses and who maintains it. **Motion Bruce, support Polega to accept the contract with corrections. Aye: All**
- 3. Splash Pad Closeout with Splash Pad Committee** – Clerk Nienaltowski presented Council with the final numbers for the Splash Pad. Discussion was had on who is responsible for the balance after the grant and committed fund from the Village and Splash Pad Committee have been paid. The subject will be brought to the DDA for discussion.
- 4. Gallup Park Fence Quote** – quote was received to replace the Gallup Park split rail fence around the pavilion. Partial was due to wind/tree damage. Discussion was had. **Motion Bruce, support Polega to approve the quote from Halfway Fence Company to remove and replace 500’ of the split rail fence at Gallup Park for \$7956.23, and DPW to remove the existing ballfield parking lot section without replacement. Ayes: All**
- 5. Nate’s Drywall Quote** - quote was received to put drywall up on the paneling section of the Village hall. King does not like the idea. She believes money is better spent elsewhere. Discussion was had. **Motion Brecht, support Bruce to accept the quote from Nate’s Drywall for \$2500. Ayes: Brecht, Bruce, Maschke, Polega, Andreski Nays: King**
- 6. DTE LED Street Light Conversion** – A high end cost to replace the existing street light with LED lights was presented from DTE. Cost savings would result in a 2.32 year payback. Clerk explained that this is the high budget number. Next step would be to have DTE come out and audit the existing lights for a better number. Brecht would like to see an option for a better radius of light, maybe a flange type style. Clerk to report back on findings.

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Correspondence:

1. **Relay for Life Special Event Request** – Relay for Life would like to move their annual event from Bad Axe to Port Austin’s Gallup Park. Event would be June 25th from 9am-4pm with a food truck and crafting vendors. **Motion Bruce, support Polega to approve the special event as presented. Ayes: All**
2. **Kellie & Luke Deming Letter - acknowledged**

Consent Agenda:

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

Bills:

Motion Bruce, support Maschke approve the bills in the amount of \$7313.17. Ayes: All

Attorney:

none

Department head report/requests:

DPW:

- Cintas – 3 year agreement to get reduced pricing for municipality. Everyone is fine with this.
- Truck – Discussion was had. It did not meet the reserve bid on auction. Committee to discuss.
- Leaf and Brush pickup for 2022 has been set.
- 3 job applications have been received. Committee to meet on March 21st to review.
- King asked about the following:
 - Windows at the Welcome Center
 - Chamber’s new banner
 - Damaged pole at Gallup Park

Police:

- New vehicle is in.

Clerk/Treasurer:

- none

Board Reports:

Ambulance– Maschke gave a summary of the boards meetings from last month. There have been issues with the chairman of the board. A resignation from an employee has also been received due to the actions of the chairman.

Committee Reports:

Grants – **Motion Andreski, support Maschke to apply for the MEDC Community Block grant toward the town center (gym/farmers market project) for \$1,000,000 with a 10% match. Ayes: All**

Ordinance – Maschke stated that Dirty Time on East State Street still an issue with yard. A letter to be written and sent by the Police Chief.

Parks & Recreation – **Motion Bruce, support Polega to resolve that the Village continues to explore ideas for a dog park. Ayes: All**

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Sidewalks – DPW Supervisor Rapson contacted Stiverson and has the Washington sidewalks specs that were done a few years ago. Rapson will continue to work on the project.

Council Member Comments:

Bruce & Maschke – Happy Birthday to Todd!

With no further business; **Moved Bruce, support Murawski** meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

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 14 day of March 2022.

_____ Amanda Nienaltowski, Village Clerk