

Monday November 9, 2020

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

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

GUESTS PRESENT: Gary Kazmierczak, Theresa Shandor

**Public Comment: none**

**Agenda:**

1. **Plow Truck** – Andreski updated Council on a used 2000 International Truck with front blade plow truck. It is consigned through Osentoski's in Pigeon for \$35,000 or best offer. The price has been negotiated to an acceptable \$30,000. It has decent tires and a front blade; low miles.  
**Motion Maschke, support Brecht to approve the purchase of the 2000 International consigned with Osentoski's for \$30,000 to include the front blade. Ayes: All**
2. **Splash Pad** – Clancy Brothers Excavating has submitted their first invoice for the Splash Pad in the amount of \$113,032.35.  
**Motion Bruce, support Maschke to approve the Splash Pad #1 payment of \$113,032.35 to Clancy Brothers Excavating. Ayes: Bruce, Brecht, Maschke, Polega, Jobe Abstain: Andreski**
3. **MEDC** – Carol Osentoski sent an email regarding an upcoming grant with MEDC for infrastructure. This means it can be used towards roads, sidewalk, sewer, water, etc. Discussion was had on moving forward once the application is open. Nienaltowski will look into if the Village has an updated Capital Improvement Plan, which is a requirement for the grant. Andreski to speak with Rob Stiverson Engineering to discuss a plan for Independence, East Spring, McMahon, Washington, and Line Street with some of those roads needing sidewalk engineering also plus engineering for the parking lot at Water Tower Park.
4. **Ice Rink** – Bruce discussed DDA met for a special meeting to approve the purchase of a 20 x 40 portable ice rink. Thumb Cooling and Heating is helping set up and tear down, and Zimmerman Electric is helping with any electrical needs. DDA is working on finding a way to clean the ice.  
**Motion Bruce, support Maschke to approve the DDA's special purchase of the ice rink. Ayes: All**  
**Motion Polega, support Jobe to approve the DDA to place the ice rink at the Gallop Park Pavilion. Ayes: All**
5. **Budget Adjustments** – Nienaltowski presented budget adjustments for year to date.  
**Motion Polega, support Andreski to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Ayes: All**

**Correspondence:**

1. **Complaint Form McMahon Street repavement** – Gary Kazmierczak addressed Council regarding the deterioration of the street. The street is has been cold-patched. This will be put on the list to get repaved at a later date; it was added to the discussion of the grant above.
2. **Ratliff Complaint** – received; no action taken
3. **Harbor Update:** 10/12/2020 email received; no action taken

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**Consent Agenda:**

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

**Bills:**

**Motion Bruce, support Polega** to approve the bills in the amount with additions,\$7695.52 . Ayes: All

**Attorney:**

**AVCI Lease** – Remarks were received back for the attorney. Discussion was had.

**Motion Polega, support Bruce to approve sending the updated lease to AVCI with the change of 5 services to landlord-owned facilities to 10 services to landlord owned facilities. Ayes: All**

**Boat Dock Letters** – **Motion Bruce, support Maschke to approve sending the attorney’s letter regarding commercial boats having first opportunity for the village boat docks before personal use boats. Ayes: All**

**Department head report/requests:**

**DPW:**

- **Other plow truck update** – Truck is still at Stanton’s. Stanton believes it is a computer issue.
- **Mollison Building** – DPW needs storage for tables, benches, and trash cans from town and the addition of the ice rink as well. Discussion was had. PAASWA currently uses part of this building. **Motion Polega, support Andreski to work with PAASWA to use more of the Mollison building. Ayes: All**
- Chamber would like DPW’s help putting lights up at the Village Green.
- Jobe asked if Village ever bills to entities that ask for special requests from our DPW. Discussion was had.
- Rapson will also call Miss Dig for the annual tree lighting.

**Police:**

- Officer Jimkoski received approval for a grant to purchase toughbooks.
- Chief Hartsell would like to work on the dog ordinance.

**Clerk:**

- A cleaning person, Pam Haines, was hired for cleaning the Village Hall.
- Three CDs are matured at Independent Bank, Frankenmuth Credit Union has been rates currently. Nienaltowski will transfer these funds over to FCU.
- Special Event Forms: Tree Lighting, Mini Tree Auction, Silver Bells. **Motion Polega, support Maschke to approve the special events forms as presented. Ayes: All**

**Board Reports:**

**Ambulance:** Meeting is canceled for this week. Ugly base is open. The Village will want to budget more for the subsidy for 2021.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance, Grants, & Insurance:**

- Township Police Billing – It was mentioned at township meetings if the Township would see any savings in their bills for the Village receiving the Payroll Reimbursement for Public Safety Personnel. Discussion was had. No savings will be passed on to the Township from this program.

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- Brecht asked about health insurance as this is the time of year for enrollment to new plans/changes. Nienaltowski stated there are no changes to the current policy other than the usual increase in price.

**Ordinance:**

- Right of Way Ordinance – need to review ordinance for landscaping
- Grass Ordinance – Maschke discussed Steigerwald’s property on M-53 still needs more cutting.

**Parks & Recreation:**

- Splash Pad continues to progress
- Polega mentioned purchasing nicer overflow garbage cans for Veterans Park.

**Board Member Comments:**

**Jobe:** This is her last meeting for council. Weds (Veterans Day) Salute to Vets Tribute. Please check it out through the Singing Sergeants Page.

**Brecht:** Thank you Marlene. Happy Thanksgiving!

**Bruce:** Thank you, Marlene. Happy Thanksgiving!

**Murawski:** Congrats to newly elected officials.

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 \_\_\_9\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_November\_\_\_ 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_ Amanda Nienaltowski, Village Clerk