

**VILLAGE OF ORTONVILLE
VILLAGE COUNCIL
JULY 9, 2007**

President Bess called the meeting to order at 7:33 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Batten, Hanes, Hayden, Bess
Members Absent: Flath, Green, Kassuba (with notice)

Also present were Manager Ed Coy, Clerk/Treasurer Mary Clark, and 7 citizens.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

***MOTION** by Green seconded by Hanes to approve the agenda as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

***MOTION** by Batten seconded by Hanes to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the following actions.

- Approval of Minutes of Regular Village Council Meeting – June 11, 2007
- Approval of Minutes of Public Hearing – June 11, 2007
- Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting – June 18, 2007
- Approval of Minutes of Regular Village Council Meeting – June 25, 2007
- Recommend approval of Brandon Fire Expenditures for June 2007
- Receipt of Brandon Township Board Minutes – June 4, 2007

MOTION CARRIED

VILLAGE DISBURSEMENTS – MAY 2007 – Council discussed the disbursements. Batten asked that the date of the invoices be on the disbursement report.

***MOTION** by Batten seconded by Hanes to approve the Village Disbursements for June 2007, in the amount of \$25,856.77.

AYES: Hanes, Batten, Hayden, Bess
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Flath, Green, Kassuba

MOTION CARRIED

TREASURER’S REPORT – MAY 2007

***MOTION** by Batten seconded by Hanes to accept the Treasurer’s Report for June 2007 as presented.

AYES: 4
NAYES: 0
ABSENT: 3

MOTION CARRIED

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OLD BUSINESS

- A. RETIREMENT PLANS FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES** – Council discussed the proposed Retirement Plans.

***MOTION** by Hanes seconded by Hayden to table this issue until the complete Council is present.

AYES: 4
NAYES: 0
ABSENT: 3

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

- A. FINAL REPORT ON HERITAGE GARDEN** – Celia Ryker on behalf of the DDA/Main Street Design/Heritage Garden Committee made a presentation regarding the completion of the Heritage Garden adjacent to Old Town Hall.

- B. BEETS, BEATS & EATS BANNER** – Pam Belding, representing the DDA/Main Street/Promotions Committee discussed with Council placing a banner promoting Beets, Beats and Eats t the south end of South Street for the remainder of the summer.

***MOTION** by Hanes seconded by Hayden to authorize the placement of a promotion banner for Beets, Beats and Eats at the end of South Street until the end of the summer, the banner will be replaced for regular banner use for the DDA Cruise to Ortonville, Septemberfest etc.

AYES: 4
NAYES: 0
ABSENT: 3

MOTION CARRIED

- C. RESOLUTION STATE BUDGET CRISES** – The MML has sent out this Resolution to Communities for consideration to adopt, trying to safeguard Local State Revenue Sharing as the State of Michigan struggles with balancing the budget.

***MOTION** by Batten seconded by Hanes to adopt the Resolution as presented by MML asking the Governor and State Legislature to safeguard the Local Revenue Sharing during the attempts to balance the budget for the State of Michigan. A copy of the Resolution will be forwarded to the Governor, MML, state Senator Cherry and Representative Marleau.

AYES: Batten, Hanes, Hayden, Bess
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kassuba, Flath, Green

MOTION CARRIED

- D. FENCE AT SKATE PARK** – Council discussed the possibility of adding additional height to the fence on the east side of the Skate Park.

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***MOTION** by Hayden seconded by Batten to table this item and place on the agenda for the July 23, 2007 meeting.

AYES: 4
NAYES: 0
ABSENT: 3

MOTION CARRIED

- E. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – OUTDOOR LIGHTING** – Coy stated that he has met with the property owner regarding the light that is causing a problem, he will try to redirect the light. As, there have been no other complaints his recommendation is to not take any further action at this time.

- F. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – PET ISSUES** – Following Council discussion, it was determined that no further action will be taken regarding this issue. Coy will have the local newspapers write an article regarding pet responsibility.

- G. STREET SWEEPER** – Coy presented Council with some pictures of the Village street sweeper and a quote for repairs. Coy explained to Council that he wanted to present this information, this will be brought to Council in the future with a recommendation.

CITIZEN INPUT –

Glennis Hubbard stated that she wanted to thank Council for finishing of the shoulder work on Crescent Hill. However, there is still an opening in the fence at the Skate Park.

Coy stated that this is a work in progress.

Hubbard stated that driving around town there are homes without siding that are just tyvek'd and not complete. There are no building permits in the windows, there appears to be a lot of work being done with out permits. She is also concerned with the Village Ordinances not being enforced.

Melanie Nivelte stated that she didn't feel that the homeowner next to the Skate Park should have to pay for any of the fence at issue.

ITEMS FROM TRUSTEES

Batten –	Nothing thank-you.
Flath –	Absent
Green-	Absent
Hanes-	Nothing thank-you
Hayden-	Nothing thank-you.
Kassuba-	Absent

***MOTION** by Batten seconded by Hanes to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Clark
Village Clerk