

Village of Ortonville
Township Offices – 395 Mill Street, Ortonville, MI 48462
Ortonville Village Council Meeting
August 22, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.

Pro Tempore Eschmann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Roll Call:

Present: Peters, Waters, Skornicka, Champion, Baker, Champion
Absent: Wills (with notice)

Also Present: Outgoing Village Manager – Larry Brown, Incoming Village Manager – John Lyons, Village Clerk – Heidi Barckholtz, and Citizen Reporter – Susan Bromley

Approval of Agenda:

***Motion** by **Trustee Skornicka**, seconded by **Trustee Baker**, to approve the agenda as presented for August 22, 2011.

All in favor, the Motion carried.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

A. Minutes of the Village Council Meeting – July 25, 2011

***Motion** by **Trustee Champion**, seconded by **Trustee Skornicka**, to accept the minutes of the July 25, 2011 meeting as presented.

All in favor, the Motion carried.

Acceptance Items

- A. Treasurer's Report – July 2011
- B. Fire Department Expenditures – July 2011
- C. Brandon Township Meeting Minutes – July 5, 2011
- D. Brandon Township Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2011
- E. DDA Board Meeting Minutes – June 13, 2011
- F. DDA Board Meeting Minutes – June 27, 2011

Council reviewed. Items accepted.

Disbursements:

Clarification sought for the following invoice(s):

#12 (Home Renewal Systems) – Questioned and received clarification on the length of time it takes the Village to be reimbursed by NSP.

***Motion** by **Trustee Champion**, seconded by **Trustee Peters**, to pay the bills in the amount of \$19,284.52.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Baker, Champion, Waters, Skornicka, Peters, Eschmann
Nays:
Absent: Wills (with notice)

All in favor, the Motion carried.

Public Comments (Agenda Items Only):

None

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

A. Medical Marijuana Six Month Moratorium Resolution

At the August 2, 2011 Planning Commission meeting, it was agreed upon to recommend to the Village Council a six month extension of the year-long moratorium that was passed September 13, 2011. This would allow the Village to better review and monitor the legal climate before making a sound decision on the Medical Marijuana law.

***Motion by Trustee Waters**, seconded by **Trustee Champion**, to approve the Medical Marijuana Moratorium Resolution as presented for six months.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Waters, Champion, Skornicka, Peters, Baker, Eschmann

Nays:

Absent: Wills (with notice)

All in favor, the Motion carried.

B. Street Administrator Resolution

***Motion by Trustee Peters**, seconded by **Trustee Baker**, to make John Lyons, the new Village Manager, the Street Administrator as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Waters, Skornicka, Champion, Peters, Baker, Eschmann

Nays:

Absent: Wills (with notice)

All in favor, the Motion carried.

C. Assignment of “SMART” Municipal Credit to Brandon Township Recreation

***Motion by Trustee Skornicka**, seconded by **Trustee Waters**, to transfer the 2011 – 2012 SMART Municipal Credit to Brandon Township Recreation.

Roll call:

Ayes: Skornicka, Champion, Peters, Baker, Eschmann

Nays:

Absent: Wills (with notice)

All in favor, the Motion carried.

D. Special Permit for Park/Parade Use - Septemberfest

***Motion by Trustee Baker**, seconded by **Trustee Peters**, to approve the permit for Septemberfest as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Baker, Peters, Skornicka, Champion, Waters, Eschmann

Nays:

Absent: Wills (with notice)

All in favor, the Motion carried.

**President Wills enters the meeting at 7:18 p.m.*

Discussion continued in regards to Septemberfest and Trustee involvement. Trustee Skornicka and Trustee Peters volunteered to be judges for the Classic Car Show held during Septemberfest and Trustee Champion noted she would handle the kids “Frog Jumping Contest”.

Items from the Manager:

*Manager Brown noted the Public Hearing for the Zoning Ordinance re-write has been set for September 12, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Office conference room.

*The road construction project is complete except striping and back filling on Varsity Drive in which the DPW will finish.

*190 Oakwood Road - The Road Commission has been contacted and John Lyons, the new Village Manager, will continue to investigate the repair work in question. It was asked by the Council that options for repair be ready for the September Council meeting if at all possible.

*58 Church Street ditching project - Two contractors were asked to give bids and declined. Bids will continue to be sought by other contractors.

Items from Trustees:

Trustee Waters: Noted she will miss Larry upon his retirement.

Trustee Skornicka: Thanked Larry for his service to the Village.

Trustee Champion: Wished Larry the best on his retirement. Questioned how the crosswalk signs came about on South Street near the school – Manager Brown noted that DPW Supervisor, Bob Hauxwell, deemed them necessary. Champion noted that people are noticing them.

President Wills: Thanked Larry for his hard work and dedication to the Village.

Trustee Eschmann: Reminded the Council at the August 26, 2011 BB&E the Village will host a farewell to Larry Brown as he retires as Village Manager and a welcome for John Lyons as the new Village Manager.

Trustee Peters: Noted the roads that were just re-surfaced look great and also thanked Larry for his time.

Trustee Baker: Noted the August 26, 2011 BB&E will be “Garden Exchange” night and the first thirty people that bring a plant for exchange will receive a free bag of tulip bulbs.

***Motion by Trustee Peters, seconded by Trustee Champion, to adjourn the Village Council meeting. All in favor, the Motion Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Barckholtz
Village Clerk