

**Village of Shepherd
Minutes of Meeting
January 16, 2017**

Regular meeting of the Shepherd Village Council held on Monday, January 16, 2017. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Village President Mike DeGraw at the Village Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Koutz Jr., Maloney, Myers, Reynolds, Roth, Yates, DeGraw
Absent: Gross
Present: Police Chief – Sawyer DPW – Davidson
 Attorney – Bill Shirley

Motion by Yates, second by Myers to approve minutes as amended of meeting held on January 3, 2017. Carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by Yates, second by Myers to approve the Treasurer and Investment report for December 2016. Carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Public Comment: None

Committee Reports:(Capital, DPW, Finance, Fire, Personnel, Police, Zoning, MacTV)
DPW: little snowplowing, car towing working well; budget turned in but have some changes; giant hole cover on Cottage/temporary fix; vegetation at lagoons in spring; working on wish list; seeking grant for lighting of Wright Avenue

Old Business:

Purchase Requisitions: none

Set budget work session – Motion by Yates, second by Myers to set budget work session for Monday, January 30, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the Village Office. Carried 7-0.

New Business:

ZBA Member – received a verbal notification of a resignation by Jeff Huber of the Zoning Board of Appeals Board. Clerk Gross asked for a written resignation to confirm. Michelle Davidson has submitted a letter of interest and would be interested in this seat when it becomes available.

Phone system – committee met with Verizon on the One Talk program that would be \$25 per line, per month and a cost savings to the Village, as well as an upgraded phone system. Committee still reviewing costs.

DPW negotiations – committee will set up a meeting with DPW Union to further discuss their contract to bring back to Council.

Phone bill for Clerk – Clerk is paying for ½ of the phone bill but other department heads have not ever paid for theirs. Motion by Reynolds, second by Yates to allow the full pay of the Clerk's phone charges by the Village. Carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Trustee Maloney asked about a Village Garden Club. Trustee Roth stated he has some information. Capital Projects will look into a future garden club.

Personnel Committee will be meeting on January 23rd to review policies.

Maple Syrup Festival Committee requested to have a "burn out" after the car show on Saturday of the Festival on Wright Avenue. Council concerned of safety issues and the layout of the event. Clerk will draft letter to request more information regarding this event.

President DeGraw will be speaking to the festival president regarding costs of the Village employees used during the festival. Police department runs about \$3600 and DPW runs about \$2500 for the event. Requesting to share costs at this time.

Chief Sawyer indicated the hearing is tomorrow for the chickens on Dearing Drive and hopefully it will be resolved.

Motion by Roth, second by Yates to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$13,857.74. Carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion approved to adjourn at 7:37. Carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted by
Lisa Reynolds, Village Pro Tem
For Gina L Gross
Village Clerk