

**Village of Shepherd
Minutes of Meeting
August 3, 2020**

Regular meeting of Shepherd Village Council held on Monday, August 3, 2020. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Village President Mike DeGraw at the Village Office.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: M. Davidson, Maloney, ~~Myers~~, Reynolds, Roth, DeGraw
Absent: Coughlin, Myers
Present: DPW -- Steve Davidson Police – Chief Sawyer
 Attorney – William Shirley

Motion by Roth, second by Reynolds to approve minutes of meeting held on July 20, 2020.
Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Public Comment: Doug Mueller, 106 W Cottage, concerns of the property at 108 W Cottage. The safety of the home and the blight. Village Attorney asked Council to provide pictures and homeowner information. Clerk Gross will forward that information.

Committee meetings:

Fire: Runs to date: 370, 2019 were 376, 2018 were 388. Three new rescue trucks are in service. Dive Team is asking for the 911 to be donated, which was approved. Reviewing resumes for the assistant fire chief. Looking into academy for firefighters at \$3400/year which includes fire and medical.

Zoning: 416 N Second approved for fence, pool, possible deck and shed; 412 N Second approved for shed; 175 E Central approved for fence.

Congratulations to Michelle Davidson and Dave Peters for completing their Citizens Planner Program through the MSU Extension Program.

Old Business:

Purchase Req's: None

Ordinance review status: Council is to review the information that was sent out by the Clerk regarding changes

Festival property/bridge: there is a Sugar Bush meeting scheduled for August 16th

Farmers Market: use of pavilion and times were discussed along with signage. Dates approved were August 15 and 29; September 12 and 26 and October 10 and 24 from 8:00 am until Noon.

305 E Wright – County Treasurer: Does the Village have any interest in this property. Trustee Coughlin will speak with County Treasurer Pickens regarding this property.

Wright Avenue: storm structure was missed which generated a change order; watermain passed so now hook ups will start to the homeowners; researching sidewalk revenue, total cost would be \$42,886.20 to replace existing sidewalks on both sides from Fourth Street to Chippewa Street, six feet wide. Village budget has \$30,000, Consumers needed to replace over \$7000 worth of sidewalk from their gas main upgrades that they completed and still waiting to here back if the

remaining grant money can be used for sidewalks. Council agreed to allow Steve to go ahead with project if grant money was approved. Motion by Maloney, second by Reynolds to approve the \$30,000 budget amount for village sidewalks to be used for new side walks on the Wright Avenue project. Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Lagoon work – pipe has arrived so more work will be started again on this project to be complete by the end of August. Mr. Travis has made his presence clear while they have been at the lagoon property. Council suggested that police presence may be needed if Steve feels there are more issues.

Red Maple Lane – DPW Supt. Davidson asked about the pipe that was removed on Red Maple Lane being sold in sections for people that may be interested.

DPW Supt. Davidson reported that the totalizer for the lift station quit working and will need to be replaced at the cost of approximately \$2000.

New Business

September 7th Labor Day meeting: Council discussed meeting day. Motion by Roth, second by Davidson to move the meeting from Monday, September 7th to Tuesday, September 8th due to the holiday. Carried 5-0.

Clerk Gross informed Council that the Shepherd Chamber is still planning on having their annual Trunk or Treat on Wright Avenue, however, they would like Council to consider allowing the event to stay on Wright Avenue between Second and Third Street being shut down, along with Second Street shut down between Wright Avenue and Orchard Avenue so that people can spread out and also enjoy the pumpkin display at the Roth house.

Discussion on the splash park and brick sales; still obtaining grant funding and there is also a go fund me page set up.

Motion by Maloney, second by Roth to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$132,828.12. Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion approved to adjourn at 7:45. Carried 5-0.

Submitted by
Gina L Gross
Village Clerk