

**Village of Shepherd
Minutes of Meeting
August 20, 2018**

Regular meeting of the Shepherd Village Council held on Monday, August 20, 2018. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President DeGraw, at the Village Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion by Roth, second by Koutz to approve minutes of meeting held on August 6, 2018.
Carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by Roth, second by Yates to approve the Treasurer and Investment report for July 2018.
Carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Public Comment:

Bryan Lawson, 110 S Fifth Street, discussed the copy of a letter that was given to his neighbor regarding the research that was done on Maple Street with the speeding of vehicles. Mr. Lawson pointed out some typos, doesn't understand how 15mph could not be in a school zone and why wouldn't this street be classified a school zone. He has been coming to the Council for about 5 years now, along with his neighbor and nothing is being done.

Chief Sawyer replied that the original study was done prior to his time and there have been other studies since then. The Jaydar will be placed there again in the rotation. The 15mph came directly from the State Police, who also stated that speed bumps are not good either. 3-way stops can be further reviewed, but the data does not support the speed issue.

Trustee Koutz asked if it is from one direction or the other, Lawson stated both with the highest speed to be at about 60mph.

Chief Sawyer again stated that Jaydar keeps a record of the speed and number of cars, etc. Discussion was also held regarding the crosswalk and people not stopping.

Bob Courter, 149 E Maple, asked the Village Attorney, William Shirley, who sets the rules and regulations in the Village. Mr. Shirley indicated the Police Chief does.

Mr. Courter stated he spoke with an Engineer at the MDOT that told him it is set by the local council, Police Chief and DPW.

Chief Sawyer stated that he follows the laws of the State. There are other streets that indicate that they are a school zone, parents also need to watch their children near roads and speed signs keep honest people honest.

Trustee Roth made a point that if the council sets the speed limits but if the State doesn't allow for the 15mph, how are tickets written.

Bill Fransted, 302 N First Street, made council aware of the removable speed bumps that are in the Home Depot parking lot that might be something to look at and use in the village since they can be removed during snow removal. Mr. Fransted also asked about the frost laws in the village and if the ordinance indicated anything about electronic braking and why aren't people being ticketed for it and asked that council review the ordinance.

Carol McCaul/Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance Presentation: Carol introduced herself and gave a brief explanation as to what Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance is and what they do through a program called STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). The business would contact Delta or Mid-Michigan College that would connect you with a student to learn on the job that could also become a long-term employee. Please contact her if you are interested.

Committee Reports:(Capital, DPW, Finance, Fire, Personnel, Police, Zoning)

CAPITAL: Food truck ordinance was presented again with changes to locations, fees, curbside only. Discussion on private property, rates and the mobile ice cream truck. Committee will meet again on August 29th at 5:30 to review questions.

POLICE: ALICE training is being done at the school by Chief Sawyer and going great. This is by a 2% grant to help deal with an active shooter/emergency situation.

Old Business:

Purchase Requisitions: DPW would like to purchase sidewalk forms instead of having to purchase lumber each time there is a sidewalk project. Motion by Roth, second by Yates to approve \$850.00 to purchase 27 sidewalk forms from an individual, Pat Pujat out of Kawkawlin, Michigan. Carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Status of Klumpp property – President DeGraw and Steve/DPW met with the property owner to discuss the water and sewer installation. Committee will meet after the Council meeting this evening to review the project.

Council asked Attorney Mr. Shirley the status of the Travis/Lagoon court issue. Mr. Shirley indicated again that this will take some time and he will inform the Council as soon as he knows of anything more.

Steve/DPW did state that the DEQ is aware and that the project at the Lagoon's is on hold at this time.

New Business:

Sale of Police car funds - \$5455.00 was collected from the sale of the old police car. Chief Sawyer would like approval to spend approximately \$1500 towards equipment and the balance be placed into a CD. Council asked that Chief provide a detailed pricing list of items before a motion is made.

President DeGraw stated the next Council meeting is set for Monday, September 3rd which is Labor Day. Motion by Yates, second by Myers to move the Monday, September 3rd Council meeting to Tuesday, September 4th at 7:00 pm. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Yates, second by Roth to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$13,795.80. Carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Chief Sawyer updated everyone on all the events happening in Shepherd tonight with the Old 27 Car Tour, first home football game, elementary school tour and chrome book handouts to students. Be cautious.

Motion approved to adjourn at 8:04. Carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted by Gina L Gross, Village Clerk