

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion by Yates, second by Myers to approve minutes of meeting held on October 2, 2017. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Motion by Yates, second by Maloney to approve the Treasurer and Investment report for September 2017. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Public Comment: Residents from Bluejay Meadows

Lee Coughlin, 310 Red Maple Lane, presented a letter to the council regarding the water issues on Red Maple Lane. To separate the lines from the school and Red Maple Lane, he feels should not be the cost of the residents, but should be to the Village. He also feels the school's construction caused an increase in the water issues that occur there too.

Cindy Edwards, 332 Red Maple Lane, has been there since 1998, stated that she did not speak with anyone regarding this construction. She stated there were issues before the school but feels the responsibility should be upon the Village.

Deb Garvin, 306 Red Maple Lane, has been there since 1999/2000, knows it floods very deep in front of her home, there were some repairs done and then the heavy rain/flood happened. They did at that time of the flood get water in the basement. Says she would pay it for the proposed construction but feels it should be the Village.

Mary Willemot, 316 Red Maple Lane, stated they had damage from the flood but have had previous issues before per the contractor that came in to fix their damages. She asked about inspections to be done to verify the proper pumps/back flows are in place per the Village. Another question was regarding water runoff from the gutters that go into the drain too.

Bruce Curtiss, 308 Red Maple Lane, stated that the Village recommended to him to tap into the drain at his expense in which he did and doesn't feel he should have to pay again, especially since his garage still floods.

Lee Coughlin, 310 Red Maple Lane, also added that he too paid for the connection to the Village but still had around 13" of water in his basement.

Jason Lacina, 322 Red Maple Lane, let Council know that he has aerial footage from the week before the flood and also after if they are interested in seeing it. Also asked about the bids that were received for the work to be done and if more than 1 bid was obtained.

Pam Brock, 324 Red Maple Lane, asked about the additional tap in and if that would still be extra to do so on top of this project for the whole area.

Lee Coughlin, 310 Red Maple Lane, discussed the process of these types of projects from his past experiences and what he foresees as what the issues are in Red Maple Lane and what should be done to help correct it.

Also in attendance from Red Maple Lane: Chloe Hampton, Scott Smith and Connie Coughlin

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

FIRE: Budget process starting on the 30th; more Chief position discussion

FINANCE: reviewed bills and bank statements; property tax collection due date was September 15th and need to transfer some of the revenue.

Motion by Yates, second by Myers to move \$300,000 from the tax savings account to the common checking account. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

ZONING: 550 W Wright, Justin's Auto Body, was approved in a public hearing with the Planning Commission.

Old Business:

Red Maple Lane – President DeGraw and DPW Steve will discuss the concerns from the residents.

Fire Dept. millage/assessment – discussion on the process of the entities doing an assessment to their residents. The Village would need to have theirs completed by June 1st to submit to the county to add to the tax roll. Special meetings via public hearing would have to take place which means notifications prior to the meetings. Need to research the time lines.

New Business:

Tablets – discussion on the use of the tablets by each council member, which ones are working or not working and who uses wi-fi for their connection. With everyone using wi-fi there would be a cost savings of \$70 monthly to remove the service with Verizon. It was determined the tablets are being used and Clerk Gross will reach out to MyTown Computer to see how much it

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would be to upgrade each tablet. Motion by Yates, second by Maloney to allow up to \$400 to upgrade the tablets with the Village. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Chamber Holly Jolly Christmas parade street closure request – Chamber would like to ask for an extension on the route of the parade from the bus loops, north up Chippewa and west on Wright Avenue to the Village Park. Motion by Yates, second by Maloney to approve the new parade route for the Chamber's Holly Jolly Christmas Parade on November 30th at 5:45 pm. Carried 4-0.

Clerk Gross stated that she would like to look into getting quotes for a new server after having more issues with the computer system again the past week. This would also include new towers for the 3 stations in the building.

President DeGraw informed Council that he received a letter from the DPW Union employees to open the contract for discussion. He will contact 3 members of the Council to sit on the Committee.

Chief Sawyer talked about his "SHINE" program and that it went over very well with a lot of great feedback. Self-defense class is on Oct. 28th with over 80 signed up. Set up to take donations again and fill Officer Janofski's Office to support the Foster Closet of Mt Pleasant. They are in need of coloring books, men's socks and feminine hygiene products.

Steve/DPW said its leaf time and the last brush pick up is Oct. 19th.

Motion by Yates, second by Myers to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$15,316.06. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Motion approved to adjourn at 8:09. Carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by
Gina L Gross
Village Clerk