

**Village of Shepherd
Minutes of Meeting
MAY 4, 2020**

Regular meeting of the Shepherd Village Council held on Monday, May 4, 2020. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President DeGraw via ZOOM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Coughlin, M. Davidson, Maloney, Myers, Roth (7:03), DeGraw
Absent: Reynolds
Present: DPW – Davidson Police – Sawyer Attorney – Bill Shirley

Motion by Myers, second by Maloney to approve amended minutes of meeting held on April 20, 2020 via ZOOM. Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Public Comment:

Merlene Koutz Jr, 280 E Orchard, asked status of recycling. RE: controlled by Isabella County. Also asked when large item pick up with trash will start again. RE: DPW Supt. Davidson stated hopefully soon.

Committee Reports:(Capital, DPW, Festival, Finance, Fire, Personnel, Police, Planning Commission; ZBA and Zoning)

Festival: money is being returned to vendors and planning started for next year

Zoning: 109 Cottage approved for shed(s); 8035 Federal Rd approved for fence and shed

Old Business:

Purchase Requisitions: None

Village/Festival Property & Bridge: pending – Trustee Roth to speak to Festival President Alexander yet.

Ordinances/Website: pending – trustees assigned sections to review and make suggested changes for the ordinances; website changes have been submitted, waiting to see new draft

New Business:

Resolution for Wright Avenue Project: MDOT requesting resolution for assignment of authorized signatures for contracts. Motion by Roth, second by Myers to approve the resolution indicating Mike DeGraw and Steve Davidson as authorized signatures for MDOT contract(s). carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Trustee Maloney notified Council that Kathy Edwards would like to join in the next Council meeting to discuss future Splash Park.

Chief Sawyer indicated that the individuals were addressed that done vandalism to the picnic tables/pavilion at the Village Park. Several young girls will be doing a community service of sanding and sealing the areas in the near future.

DPW hiring committee interviewed 3 candidates and 2 individuals were hired and started today, May 4th. Seth Wilson and Logan Buckner are the 2 seasonal employees.

President DeGraw stated his condolences to the Caszatt Family and Trustee Lisa Reynolds on the passing of her father.

Chief Sawyer stated that 11 written warnings went out on trash cans and the department will be starting to hit it hard again with other ordinances. They are also starting up more patrolling and making more traffic stops.

DPW Superintendent Davidson reported they discharged the lagoons, work at sewage ponds; discussed VFW drain field issue with a possibility of connecting to Village sewer.

Clerk Gross stated work is almost completed with the accounting firm to turn over the past two years of financials to the auditing firm.

Motion by Maloney, second by Coughlin to approve invoices in the amount of \$11,561.86. Carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion approved to adjourn at 7:28 pm. Carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted by
Gina L Gross
Village Clerk