

**Village of Shepherd
Minutes of Meeting
July 18, 2022**

Regular meeting of the Shepherd Village Council held on Monday, July 18, 2022. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President DeGraw.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion by Coughlin, second by Maloney to approve minutes of meeting held on July 5, 2022. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Motion by M. Davidson, second by Malone to approve the treasurer and investment report for June 2022 as presented. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Public Comment: Jerry Jaloszynski, 3666 S Shepherd Rd, update on Isabella County happenings; new jail pending with a USDA loan that would expire in April. Knights of Columbus collects items from National Association of Industrial Resources and donates these items to the surrounding community. Jerry presented Council and staff really nice flashlights that were very appreciated.

Committee Reports:(Capital, DPW, Festival, Finance, Fire, Personnel, Police, Planning Commission; ZBA and Zoning)
ZBA: minutes from last meeting are still pending; language being reviewed for accessory buildings

Old Business:
Purchase Requisitions: None

Turkey buzzards: birds have been picked up from the DNR and 1 has been hung; need approval from neighbors before hanging the other one; 4-8 weeks for the taxidermy bird. These birds were provided by airports that were not harmed intentionally.

Ordinance language for accessory buildings: Table until next meeting

Seasonal employee: after contracting the seasonal employee for 1 day, he decided to not accept the position. DPW will continue to look for another seasonal employee. Council suggested going through INDEED. Clerk Gross and DPW Supt. Davidson will set that up.

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SAMS# is still pending.

New Business:

DPW Supt. Davidson reported that they are doing sidewalk work, line painting, bridge work. Discussion: basketball court at the park is old and small, Elmer's Concrete would be willing to donate half the cost of \$7359 towards a new court. DPW could do the groundwork and fill to prep the area for the new court. Park CD had \$2000, \$1500 Festival donation, community member that would donate difference. Motion by Maloney, second by M. Davidson to approve the new basketball court at the Shepherd Veteran's Memorial Park using the park CD, festival donation and community member donation. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Bridge footings at the Salt River Park to be completed yet but should be done soon.

Chief Sawyer stated he along with area officers just completed a child predator operation.

Our hearts go out to the Caszatt family in the loss of Lisa Reynold's mother, Dorthianne Caszatt.

Trustee Maloney praised DPW Supt. Steve Davidson for saving a man's life this past Saturday during the farmer's market. An elderly gentleman arrived at the park dazed and confused. Steve took it upon himself to get further information and called the Sheriff's Dept. to find that this man with Alzheimer's was missing from Byron Center, MI and the family had been looking for him for a couple of days. Job well done Mr. Davidson!

Motion by M. Davidson, second by Coughlin to approve invoices in the amount of \$19,611.46. Carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Motion approved to adjourn at 7:39 pm. Carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by:
Gina L Gross
Village Clerk