

VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING

Regular Council Meeting – September 21, 2015

The meeting was called to order, in the Village Council Chambers, by President Alexander Khoury at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Beers, Larry Heider, Samantha Hunt, Alexander Khoury, Kathy Manary, Brandy Slocum, Marcus Sting.

Absent:

Others: Linda Engelhardt, Julie Epperson, Sami Khoury, Megan Tietz, and Traci Weisenbach.

Motion by Heider seconded by Hunt to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Manary seconded by Slocum to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2015 regular council meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment

Sami Khoury, Huron County Commissioner, provided updates on county activity.

Committee Reports

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Beers reported there is a meeting next week.

B. Police Committee

Trustee Heider provided updates on police business including trick or treating hours. Discussion.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Beers to approve the Halloween Trick or Treat Hours for the Village of Sebewaing on Saturday, October 31, 2015 from 5-7 PM.

Sting: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Khoury: yea.

7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. DPW Committee

Trustee Manary provided updates on departmental activity including the fall leaf pickup program which will run weekdays from October 12 through November 25, and the addition of a unisex restroom to the main park restroom upgrade. Discussion.

Motion by Beers seconded by Manary to approve the addition of a unisex restroom to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grant Application for the main park restroom upgrade at an additional cost not to exceed \$20,000.

Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Khoury: yea

7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.

MOTION CARRIED.

D. Ordinance Committee

Trustee Manary reported there is nothing new at this time.

E. Budget Committee

Trustee Sting reported work has begun on the five year business plan.

F. Office Administration Committee

Trustee Heider reported there is nothing new at this time.

G. Insurance Committee

Trustee Sting reported there is nothing new at this time.

H. Trash/Recycling Committee

Trustee Slocum reported there is nothing new at this time.

I. Employee Relations Committee

Trustee Hunt reported there is nothing new at this time.

J. Building/Grounds Committee

Trustee Slocum reported there is nothing new at this time.

Unfinished Business

Concerning the former LMS Property, Trustee Heider reported there is nothing new at this time.

New Business

Concerning the implementation of an attorney policy.

Motion by Hunt seconded by Manary to approve the following Attorney Policy: The President, President Pro-Tem, and Department Heads are authorized to speak with any Village Attorney. All attorney invoices shall be co-signed by the Village President.

Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: nay; Sting: yea; Beers: yea; Khoury: yea
6 yeas, 1 nay, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Concerning the completion of Land Trust Fund requirements.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Sting to complete the Land Trust Fund requirements for a land conversion to widen the intersection of N. Pitcher and Davis Streets, including recording the deeds.

Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Khoury: yea
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Concerning the zoning application for a fence at 425 Fifth Street.

Motion by Beers seconded by Slocum to approve the zoning application for a fence at 425 Fifth Street.

Sting: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Khoury: yea
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Other Business

Concerning the monthly bills and the zoning variance for an aquatic farm.

Motion by Heider seconded by Slocum to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$149,555.83.

Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: yea
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Sting to recognize/reaffirm the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals to approve a zoning variance from Commercial to Agricultural for an aquatic farm at 604 S. Unionville Road for the length of time the aquatic farm is in business at that location, after which time it shall revert back to being zoned Commercial.

Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Khoury: yea
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Council Comment

Concerning the Harbor Commission, Trustee Heider reported two bids were received for the extra Harbor Marina docks. The bid was awarded to Bay City Boat Lines for \$1051.00.

President Khoury attended the annual MML (Michigan Municipal League) Convention September 16-18, 2015 in Traverse City.

Adjournment

Motion by Hunt seconded by Slocum to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:45 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Alexander Khoury
President, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing