

VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING
Regular Council Meeting – January 21, 2019

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

Present: Marcus Deering, Julie Epperson, Brandy Gunsell, Dennis Kunding, Scott Myers, Nathan Schulz, Marcus Sting

Absent:

Others: Saundra Edler, Randy Edler, Linda Engelhardt, Mary Kuhl, Paul Schnitker, Pete Smith, Megan Tietz

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Deering seconded by Myers to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2019 regular council meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

Committee Reports

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Sting provided an engine plant update and announced the new Superintendent will begin working in March, 2019.

B. Police Committee

Trustee Gunsell provided an update on departmental activity including year-end police reports, recent trainings attended, and preparation for the budget.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to recess the January 21, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
MOTION CARRIED.

Public Hearing: Special Use Permit – 676 East Main Street

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Deering to open the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Present: Marcus Deering, Julie Epperson, Brandy Gunsell, Dennis Kunding, Scott Myers, Nathan Schulz, Marcus Sting

Absent:

Others: Saundra Edler, Randy Edler, Linda Engelhardt, Mary Kuhl, Paul Schnitker, Pete Smith, Megan Tietz

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

The notice of public hearing was read. President Epperson requested comments from the public. Comments were positive and centered around opening a new business in the village.

Motion by Kunding seconded by Deering to close the Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Resume Council Meeting

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Myers to resume the January 21, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
MOTION CARRIED.

C. DPW Committee

Trustee Deering provided an update on departmental activity including annual maintenance on the street sweeper, the repair of a lagoon aerator motor, the need to fund the engineering costs for the Center Street Bridge and Anton Street Bridge deck maintenance identified through the National Bridge Program, the maintenance of the sanitary sewer main on Bay Street, the rehiring of the seasonal worker, and various items related to the upcoming Superintendent retirement.

Motion by Sting seconded by Kunding to hire Spicer Group at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the engineering related to the Center Street and Anton Street Bridge Preventative Maintenance Design, per the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) specifications.

Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Myers to contract with Insituform Technologies USA, LLC to put approximately 1,250 feet of cure-in-place lining in the sanitary sewer main on Bay Street at a cost of \$52,200.00.

Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Deering seconded by Schulz to approve rehiring Cody Finkbeiner as the 2019 seasonal Employee at a rate of \$11.00 per hour beginning May 20, 2019.

Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to acknowledge the retirement of Superintendent Duane Dressler effective March 4, 2019.

Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Deering seconded by Sting to appoint Matthew Bumhoffer to assume all of the Superintendent responsibilities, including but not limited to, the Village of Sebewaing Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) Administrator, the Village of Sebewaing Lagoon/Sanitation Officer, the DPW Superintendent, and the Parks Superintendent.

Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution by Sting seconded by Kunding to appoint Matthew Bumhoffer the Designated Street Administrator as presented.

Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. RESOLUTION CARRIED.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Deering to remove Duane Dressler from the Village of Sebewaing credit card account effective February 1, 2019.

Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Sting seconded by Schulz to add Matthew Bumhoffer as an authorized user on the corporate credit card account for the Village of Sebewaing issued by Chemical Bank at the same levels as the current department heads.

Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Budget Committee

Trustee Myers reported there is nothing new at this time.

E. Employee Relations Committee

Trustee Kunding reported there is nothing new at this time.

F. Insurance Committee

Trustee Schulz reported there is nothing new at this time.

G. Office Administration Committee

Trustee Deering provided updates on departmental activity.

H. Ordinance Committee

Discussion regarding the proposed Chapter 113 Marihuana Establishments Ordinance.

Unfinished Business

Regarding the property at 249 North Center Street, bids have been let to remove the concrete.

The final reporting for the Village of Sebewaing Master Plan and the Village of Sebewaing Recreation Plan has been submitted. The State of Michigan still needs to approve each plan.

Research into creating a Village Manager Position for the Village of Sebewaing is continuing.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve Chapter: 113 Marihuana Establishments ordinance as presented.

Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

New Business

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Deering to approve the special use permit to open a Group Licensed Child Care business at 676 East Main Street.

Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Deering seconded by Myers to approve the audit proposal from Nietzke & Faupel, PC for the Village of Sebewaing and Sebewaing Light & Water going forward.

Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Other Business

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$161,537.57.

Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion concerning compensation for the Planning Commission Members. This was tabled until further research is completed.

Motion by Myers seconded by Kunding to reappoint Duane Dressler to the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) as a Board Member to a four-year term that expires October, 2022 effective immediately.

Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Epperson: yea.
7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Gunsell seconded Myers to appoint Edward Canfield to the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) to complete the remaining two years of a four-year term as a Board Member that expires October, 2020 effective immediately.

Kunding: nay; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.
6 yeas, 1 nay, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Council Comment

The Budget Public Hearing was set for February 18, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

The Police and DPW Committee meeting times have been switched for the months of February, March, and April, 2019.

Adjournment

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:56 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Julie Epperson
President, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing