

**VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING**  
**Regular Council Meeting – February 4, 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: John Bonke, Matt Bumhoffer, Matt Cummings, Melinda Driscoll, Linda Engelhardt, Sami Khoury, Norm Lyman, Paul Schnitker, Megan Tietz

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

Motion by Deering seconded by Kunding to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2019 regular council meeting as presented.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Public Comment**

A village resident shared thoughts regarding water concerns on Second Street and another village resident thanked the DPW Department for the great job clearing the roads after the storm last week.

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

**Committee Reports**

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Sting provided an update on departmental activity including the replacement of two decorative street lamps, the start of tree trimming and line clearance for the year, the routing of the water lines at the intersection of Beck Street (M-25) and Bay Street, and engine updates including the completion of two underground borings for the Union Street substation hook-up which is scheduled for next summer, the completion of relay testing, the updating of lights, and the assembly of the remaining building.

B. Police Committee

Trustee Gunsell reported there is a meeting next week.

C. DPW Committee

Trustee Deering reported there is a meeting next week.

D. Budget Committee

A meeting was scheduled for February 11, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

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 reported there is nothing new at this time.

H. Ordinance Committee

Trustee Sting reported there is nothing new at this time.

**Unfinished Business**

Regarding the property at 249 North Center Street, the cost to backfill and hydroseed the property after the concrete is removed was discussed.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve all costs associated to backfill the 6.2 +/- acres currently owned by the Village of Sebewaing located at 249 North Center Street to the existing grade height at a total cost not to exceed \$70,000.

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

Discussion related to Planning Commission Compensation.

Motion by Sting seconded by Deering to compensate Planning Commission members in the amount of \$30.00 per meeting.

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

The Village of Sebewaing is waiting for the approvals of the Village of Sebewaing Master Plan and the Village of Sebewaing Recreation Plan which were submitted to the State of Michigan.

Discussion in regards to the creation of a Village Manager Position for the Village of Sebewaing; research will be continuing.

**New Business**

Discussion regarding the DPW Laborer Position.

Motion by Kunding seconded by Myers for the Village of Sebewaing Council to offer the DPW General Laborer Position to Marcus Deering at a pay rate of \$15.36 per hour effective February 11, 2019.

Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: abstain; Deering: abstain; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.

5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent, 2 abstain. MOTION CARRIED.

A resignation letter from Trustee Deering was read.

Motion by Sting seconded by Kunding to accept, with regrets, the resignation from Marcus Deering as a trustee of the Village of Sebewaing Council effective immediately.

Myers: yea; Schulz: yea; Sting: yea; Deering: abstain; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Epperson: yea.

6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent, 1 abstain. MOTION CARRIED.

**Council Comment**

Former Trustee Deering thanked the Village Council for the opportunity to serve on the council.

Trustee Schulz shared the cleanup of the former dry cleaner property located at 115 East Main Street has begun.

Matthew Bumhoffer was welcomed as the new DPW Superintendent.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Schulz seconded by Myers to adjourn the regular council meeting at 8:18 p.m.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Julie Epperson  
President, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll  
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing