

VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING
Regular Council Meeting – July 18, 2016

The meeting was called to order, in the Village Council Chambers, by President Pro-Tem Larry Heider at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Larry Heider, Samantha Hunt, Kathy Manary, Brandy Slocum, Marcus Sting

Absent: Donald Beers, Alexander Khoury

Others: Matt Cummings, Linda Engelhardt, Julie Epperson, Mike Herman, Sami Khoury, Melvin Kuhl, and Traci Weisenbach.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Sting to approve the agenda for this meeting as amended.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Hunt seconded by Manary to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2016 regular council meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment

Melvin Kuhl, Chairman of the Michigan Sugar Festival, presented Marcus Sting with a recognition plaque and his sponsored winning race car from the Remote Control Stock Car Racing event at the Festival.

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

Committee Reports

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Sting reported the Light and Water Department is working on a more detailed bill which will be rolled out in the future.

B. Police Committee

Trustee Slocum provided updates on departmental activity including several blight and zoning issues. It was noted that at the June 27, 2016 Michigan Department of Transportation meeting, updates on future road projects were presented; it was also stated the solicitation on the street issue is going to the Attorney General for an opinion.

President Pro-Tem Heider asked the council members about adding a police millage on the November ballot. Discussion.

C. DPW Committee

Trustee Heider provided updates on departmental activity including requests from the Western Thumb Women's Softball League, the Imagination Library 5K Run, and the Sebewaing Country Market and Music Festival. The Sale of Cash Crops Policy was presented.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Hunt to grant the Western Thumb Women's Softball League permission to use the softball diamonds in the Main Park and South Park to hold a league tournament on July 29 & 30, 2016 providing each player signs a waiver prior to tournament play.

Beers: absent; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: absent.
5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Sting seconded by Slocum to grant the Running for Reading Committee permission to use the Village Streets and manpower for the Imagination Library 5K Run on Saturday, August 27, 2016 providing each person signs a waiver prior to participation.

Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Beers: absent; Heider: yea; Khoury: absent.
5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Hunt to allow the use of village streets and services for the Sebewaing Country Market and Music Festival including closing Center Street from the intersection of Main and Center to Washington Street as well as Union Street and East Sebewaing Street at Center and West Sebewaing Street by the Post Office on Saturday, August 20, 2016 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Beers: absent; Hunt: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: absent.
5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Hunt seconded by Sting to approve the following Sale of Cash Crops Policy: The Village President is authorized to request the Village Office to sell Village owned cash crops which result from farming operations. This request must be documented in writing with a signature or via the Village President's email. The President Pro-Tem is authorized to do the same in the absence of the Village President.

Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Beers: absent; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: absent.
5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Budget Committee

Trustee Sting reported there is nothing new at this time.

E. Building/Grounds Committee

Trustee Slocum reported there is nothing new at this time.

F. Employee Relations Committee

Trustee Sting reported Light and Water union negotiations meetings are being scheduled.

G. Insurance Committee

Trustee Hunt reported there is nothing new at this time.

H. Office Administration Committee

Trustee Hunt provided updates on departmental activity.

I. Ordinance Committee

Trustee Manary reported on the new Use of Light and Water Equipment Ordinance, as well as the proposed solicitation and demolition ordinance revisions. Discussion.

Motion by Sting seconded by Manary to adopt the §55 Use of Light and Water Equipment Ordinance as presented.

Sting: yea; Beers: absent; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: absent.
5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Slocum share concerns about the ORV ordinance and the associated enforcement. Discussion.

J. Trash/Recycling Committee

Trustee Manary reported there is nothing new at this time.

Unfinished Business

Regarding the former LMS property, President Pro-Tem Heider reported there is nothing new at this time.

Regarding annexation, President Pro-Tem reported there is nothing new at this time.

New Business

Discussion regarding the zoning at 535 N. Miller Street.

Other Business

Motion by Slocum seconded by Manary to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$202,725.26.

Beers: absent; Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: absent.
5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Council Comment

An invitation was received from the Chamber of Commerce relating to the Summer Appreciation Picnic.

Adjournment

Motion by Hunt seconded by Slocum to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:58 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Larry Heider
President Pro-Tem, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing