

VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING
Regular Council Meeting – September 4, 2018

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

Present: Matthew Cummings, Marcus Deering, Julie Epperson, Brandy Gunsell, Larry Heider, Alexander Khoury, Marcus Sting

Absent:

Others: Les Alexander, John Bonke, Mike Caviedes, Aaron Cummings, Linda Engelhardt, Sami Khoury (7:15 p.m.), Scott Myers, Paul Schnitker, Jacob Sous, Jim Stenfelt, Megan Tietz

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

Motion by Sting seconded by Cummings to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2018 regular council meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED.

Committee Reports

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Sting provided an update on departmental activity which included three high voltage pole replacements, solar purchase power commitment authorization, advertising for the Light & Water Superintendent Position, two scheduled power outages for maintenance and upgrades, update on the engine plant transformer station, the completion of the water main replacement on Miller Street, the need for a new water connection at 343 Albert Street, the completion of the periodic well performance test, and the plan to drill a test well.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Epperson to contract with Xtreme Powerline Construction for three pole replacements at a cost not to exceed \$27,500.

Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Epperson: yea; Gunsell: yea; Heider: yea; Sting: yea; Khoury: yea.

7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Heider seconded by Deering to authorize Superintendent McCoy to sign the documents to purchase solar power through Michigan Municipal Electric Association's (MMEA) solar power initiative substantially to the form of the Purchase Power Commitment Authorization.

Deering: yea; Epperson: yea; Gunsell: yea; Heider: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Khoury: yea.

7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Epperson seconded by Gunsell to publish the job posting for the Light & Water Superintendent Position.

Epperson: yea; Gunsell: yea; Heider: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Khoury: yea.

7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

B. Police Committee

Trustee Gunsell reported there is nothing new at this time; there will be a meeting next week.

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C. DPW Committee

Trustee Deering reported there is nothing new at this time.

D. Budget Committee

Trustee Cummings reported there is nothing new at this time.

E. Employee Relations Committee

Trustee Cummings reported there is nothing new at this time.

F. Insurance Committee

Trustee Epperson 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 Heider reported there is nothing new at this time.

Unfinished Business

Regarding the property at 249 North Center Street, President Khoury reported demolition is currently taking place.

Regarding the Master Plan, Trustee Epperson stated there is a meeting scheduled for next week.

Regarding the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS), the process is moving forward to close all the defined benefit divisions and switching all future employees to defined contribution plans.

New Business

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Cummings to approve the request by the Unionville-Sebewaing Area Schools for a Police escort and the use of village streets beginning at North Center Street (Fire hall) to Main Street to Third Street to the Main Park on October 5, 2018 at 3:45 PM for the Homecoming Parade to start at 4:00 PM and be completed at approximately 4:30 PM.

Gunsell: yea; Heider: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Epperson: yea; Khoury: yea.

7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.

MOTION CARRIED.

A request for an ordinance to allow a marihuana grow facility in the village was presented. After discussion, the consensus was to forward the request to the ordinance committee.

Council Comment

Due to inclement weather in the spring, the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive has been rescheduled and will take place October 5-6, 2018.

Discussion regarding the fireworks ordinance.

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

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Adjournment

Motion by Epperson seconded by Cummings to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:50 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Alexander Khoury
President, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing