

**VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT  
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
March 7, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Village Council held at 442 N. Grand Street, was called to order by President Gunnett at 7:00 p.m.

The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were led by President Gunnett.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: President Gunnett, Trustees Rochholz, Mastenbrook, Bergland, Carlin, Barnes, and Stodola.  
Absent: None.  
Also Present: Village Manager Cheri Lutz, Clerk Theresa O'Leary, Finance Director/Assistant Manager Tammi Youngs, Sergeant Jamie Edwards, Rob Peterson, Linda Barnes, Joe Beck, Toni Rafferty, Drew Johnson, and Kim Parker.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Barnes, to approve the agenda as presented. All aye.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by Bergland, seconded by Mastenbrook to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. All aye.

**CITIZEN'S ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Ms. Toni Rafferty, from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee, appeared before the Council to provide an update on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and fireworks.

She made the following statements:

- She stated a 4<sup>th</sup> of July website has been developed that includes information about registration for the parade and races, the schedule of all events, fund raising, etc.
- She stated that someone has been hired to set off fireworks.
- She stated a location has been found to set off fireworks.
- She stated donation boxes have been placed around the Village of Schoolcraft and in Vicksburg. Donations will help fund the fireworks.

- b) Mr. Drew Johnson from South County Community Services appeared before the Council to update them on the activities and services SCCS offers to citizens of Vicksburg, Schoolcraft and the Climax Scotts areas.

- c) President Keith Gunnett appointed Trustees Mastenbrook, Barnes, Stodola, and alternate President Gunnett to the Executive Committee.

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Barnes to appoint Trustees Mastenbrook, Barnes, Stodola, and alternate President Gunnett to the Executive Committee. All aye.

**TABULATION OF BIDS:**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**STATEMENTS FROM CITIZENS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS:**

Village Manager Cheri Lutz had the following statements:

- She asked the Council if they would like to have a “Citizen of the Year” as part of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. It was the consensus of the Council to have a Citizen of the Year.
- She stated she is updating the bylaws for the Planning Commission.
- She stated that quotes for the sound system for the Council Chambers will be presented to the Council at a future meeting.
- She stated Mr. Scott Smith has been offered the position of Police Chief. He has accepted and will begin his duties April 11, 2022.
- She stated she will put the location of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July donation boxes on Facebook and on the Village’s website.
- She stated that today, Andy Campbell from Baker Tilly met with herself, Finance Director/ Assistant Manager Tammi Youngs, Trustees Rochholz, Mastenbrook and Stodola, Mike Presta from Prein and Newhof, DPW Superintendent Rob Coffman and Water Superintendent Adam Wood to discuss infrastructure improvements.

Trustee Mike Rochholz gave a brief synopsis of the meeting today with Baker Tilly. He made the following statements:

- He stated that a plan needs to be put together before asking for funding.
- He stated ARPA has money available.
- He stated an asset management plan is needed prior to applying for grants.
- He stated the Council needs to determine what direction they want to take.
- He stated the preliminary application to apply for funding is due March 15, 2022. The final application is due April 15, 2022.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Keith F. Gunnett, President

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Theresa O’Leary, Village Clerk