# VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS June 5, 2023

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

The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America were led by President Gunnett.

# **ROLL CALL:**

Present: President Gunnett, Trustees Rochholz, Mastenbrook, Bergland, Barnes, Carlin and

Beck.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Village Manager Cheri Lutz, Village Clerk Theresa O'Leary, Sergeant Jamie Edwards,

Linda Barnes, Steve Waldron, Toni Rafferty, Carol Cook, Jennifer Sportel, Wendy

Mazer, Bret Willis, Jamie Clark and Matt Conlee.

# **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

# **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

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

Ms. Jennifer Sportel introduced herself to the Council as the new President of the Schoolcraft Community Library Board of Trustees.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Barnes to go into a Public Hearing to Approve an Industrial Development request from Clark Logic. By Roll Call, all aye.

Mr. Jamie Clark, from Clark Logic, made the following statements:

- He stated he would like to continue the economic development in the Village of Schoolcraft.
- He expressed his appreciation for the partnership and support from the Council.

Village Manager Cheri Lutz made the following statement:

• She stated because of the property line split at 200 Lee Street, a revision to the current site plan is needed and the legal description needs to be updated.

Motion by Barnes, seconded by Mastenbrook to close the Public Hearing. By Roll Call, all aye.

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Barnes to approve the request from Clark Logic to create Industrial Development District Number 11 for the property located at 200 Lee Street. By Roll Call, all aye.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Ms. Toni Rafferty, from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee, appeared before the Village Council to request a donation of \$5,000 for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks.

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Barnes to approve the request for a donation of \$5,000, for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks. All aye.

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- b) Trustee Mike Rochholz presented the proposed Amendments to the South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority's By-Laws. He made the following statements:
  - He stated the amendment would require an alternate member from each entity be assigned to the Board. The alternate would have would have full, equal rights of vote.
  - He stated the seventh member would be removed.
  - He stated the majority vote would equal 4 entities.

Motion by Bergland, seconded by Beck to accept the amendments to the SKCFA By-Laws as presented. By Roll-Call the results are as follows:

Gunnett Nay
Rochholz Yea
Mastenbrook Yea
Carlin Nay
Bergland Yea
Beck Yea
Barnes Yea

Motion passed 5 to 2.

# **TABULATION OF BIDS:**

None.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a) Village Manager Cheri Lutz handed out a flyer from Chemlink regarding their desire to partner with the Village help with the environment and serve the community. Village Manager Lutz will follow up with Chemlink to find out more information.
- b) A letter from Ashley Bergeon was acknowledged for file.

# STATEMENTS FROM CITIZENS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

Village Manager Cheri Lutz made the following statements:

- She stated Music in the Park and Food Truck Rally begins June 21, 2023.
- She stated the search to fill the Finance Director position is continuing. Some suggestions to help fill that position are as follows:
  - 1) Rename the position
  - 2) Consider job sharing with an entity
  - 3) Contract a CPA firm
  - 4) Hire a temporary employee

Mr. Jamie Clark, from Clark Logic matched the \$5,000 donated by the Village of Schoolcraft, for 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks.

Ms. Toni Rafferty, from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee, announced the Grand Marshal for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade is SKCFA Fire Chief Tracy McMillan.

# **OTHER BUSINESS:**

None.

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ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.	
Keith F. Gunnett, Village President	Theresa O'Leary, Village Clerk