

**VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
July 6, 2020**

The Regular Meeting of the Village Council held on Zoom, was called to order by President Gunnett at 7:01 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL:

Present: President Gunnett, Trustees Rochholz, Mastenbrook, Barnes, Stodola, Spears and Carlin.
Absent: None.
Also Present: Village Manager Cheri Lutz, Clerk Theresa O'Leary, Finance Director/Assistant Manager Tammi Youngs, Chief Scott Boling, Jon Ballentine (IT), Kirk and Kelly Bergland, Joe Beck, and Max Hutchinson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Barnes, to approve the agenda with the following addition to New Business: Discussion by John Stodola about changes to the Council Meeting minutes of March 16, 2020. All aye.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Mastenbrook, seconded by Stodola 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) The memorandum from Finance Director/Assistant Tammi Youngs regarding Resolution 2020-04, a Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget to Allow the Transfer of Funds to Create a Balanced Budget was discussed.

Motion by Rochholz, seconded by Mastenbrook to approve Resolution 2020-04 as presented. All aye.

- b) The memorandum from Finance Director/Assistant Tammi Youngs regarding Resolution 2020-05, a Resolution to Comply With the Provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 Exercising the Village's Right to Except Itself From the Requirements of the Act for the Next Succeeding Year, was discussed.

Motion by Stodola, seconded by Spears to approve Resolution 2020-05 as presented. All aye.

- c) The memorandum from Village Manager Cheri Lutz regarding Village Wide Clean Up was discussed. Due to COVID-19, spring clean up was cancelled in June of 2020. The new date is schedule for September 19, 2020.

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Motion by Mastenbrook, seconded by Barnes to approve September 19, 2020 as the date for Village Wide Clean Up. All aye.

- d) The Summer 2020 Newsletter article from President Gunnett was presented. It was suggested by President Gunnett that from this point on, in the interest of time, his newsletter article be given to Village Manager Lutz to review and approve. If there are any issues of concern, the Village Manager will inform the Village Council.

Motion by Gunnett, seconded by Barnes to allow the Village Manager to approve the President's newsletter articles and to inform Council of any issues of concern. All aye.

- e) Trustee Stodola led a discussion about the following:
Pandemic Affects
Budget
County Disaster Mitigation Plan.

He made the following comments:

- He suggested that the assumptions used to make strategic plan be reviewed.
- He suggested than an inventory be taken to see where adjustments should be made.
- He stated that the Council should express their interest in being a part of the Mitigation Plan.

Lutz made the following comments:

- She stated that she contacted Mike Corfman, Director of Emergency Management, to let him know the Village Council is interested in being a part of the Mitigation Plan.
- She stated the plan has been delayed due to COVID-19.
- She stated a representative will attend a future Council Meeting.

- f) Trusted Stodola presented changes to the minutes of the March 16 Council Meeting. Discussion took place.

Motion by Stodola, seconded by Mastenbrook to approve the changes.

Ayes: Gunnett, Mastenbrook, Stodola, Spears, Carlin, and Barnes.

Nays: Rochholz

TABULATION OF BIDS:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter from Schoolcraft Assembly of God regarding assistance from Sergeant Edwards was acknowledged for file.

STATEMENTS FROM CITIZENS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS:

President Keith Gunnett had the following statements:

- He thanked Jon Ballentine from Geek Easy and Village Manager Cheri Lutz for their work in coordinating the Zoom meeting.
- He commended Chief Scott Boling on the thoroughness of the June SPD Activity Report.
- He stated that he and the Village Manager talked every couple days during quarantine.
- He stated that the South County Sewer and Water meeting are teleconference meetings.

Village Manager Cheri Lutz had the following statements:

- She stated that an Executive Committee meeting needs to be scheduled for both July and August to review bills and accounts
- She stated that on Thursday, July 9 at 2:00 there will be a webinar to talk about the Cares Act.
- She stated that the Schoolcraft Police Department may receive reimbursement for April and May.

Police Chief Scott Boling had the following statements:

- He stated he has seen a slow increase in police calls
- He stated that there is a Black Lives Matter protest on July 8, 2020 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. beginning at Burch Park.
- He stated that he wants to interact with the residents of Village of Schoolcraft and get to know them.
- He stated that normally when a person interacts with an officer, it is a crisis situation or in a negative context such as a traffic stop. His goal is to develop relations with the people of the community outside of these calls so they can feel more comfortable interacting with an officer.

Trustee Rochholz had the following statements:

- He stated that he is glad to be back
- He stated that the death of Sue Moore is a great loss to the community and the Council has to find other ways to get our message out the way she did.

Trustee Stodola had the following statements:

- He stated he attended the peaceful protest on June 20, 2020 and watched Chief Boling and Sergeant Edwards introduce themselves. He later heard people in attendance commend both the Chief and Sergeant.
- He stated Alan Smaka is no longer with Wightman. He is a consultant with South County Sewer and Water.
- He stated Vicksburg is not interest in hooking up to sanitary sewer.
- He stated that a couple people he knows were very honored with the Lights on Event in the Village of Schoolcraft. A notice was published regarding Lights on in the Village to ask everyone to turn their front porch light on or another light in front of their home to honor those on the front lines.
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Max Hutchinson had the following statement:

- He stated he will be taking notes at the Council meeting for articles for the South County News.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Keith F. Gunnett, President

Theresa O'Leary, Clerk