

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 13, 2017**

President Pro-tem Williams called the regular meeting of the Cassopolis Village Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Yoder, Parsons, Jackson-Ash, Williams, Sims, Wagner
Council Members Absent: Johnson

Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Consent Agenda: Wagner motioned, seconded by Sims to approve the Agenda, the Regular Council Minutes – February 13, 2017, the Workshop Minutes (with correction below) – February 27, 2017, and Invoices totaling \$84,008.89.

Jackson-Ash asked that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting from February 13, 2017, be corrected on Page 2, under Council Concerns/Ideas, to say the following:

Jackson-Ash discussed an evacuation/emergency plan for the Village Hall. We need to make sure everyone is aware of the specific plan, where to go, and how to account for people.

Jackson-Ash and Williams asked a few questions about the zoning presentation. Jackson-Ash wants the minutes to memorialize the boards intention when establishing an Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Yoder, Parsons, Jackson-Ash, Williams, Sims, Wagner
Nays:
Abstain:
Absent: Johnson

Motion Carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Department Reports:

Clerk: See report.
Treasurer: See report.
Police Chief: See report.
Building Inspector: No report.
Electrical Inspector: See report.
Plumbing/Mechanical Inspector: See report.
DPW Superintendent: See report.
Manager: See report.

Reports accepted as presented.

Committee Reports:

- a. Personnel Committee: None.
- b. Finance Committee: Discussion on upcoming dates for budget meetings.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- A. **Performance Resolution; M-Dot:** Wagner motioned, seconded by Sims, to approve the M-Dot Resolution that is for the yearly permit required by the Village to continue work in the right of ways.
Motion Carried.

Council Concerns/Ideas:

Jackson-Ash discussed the way the minutes were done for the Village. She would like there to be more content included in them, so as to memorialize the discussion. Village Manger discussed the training at the Clerk's conference where the instructions to the Clerks are to present very minimal discussion in the minutes so they cannot be misinterpreted. A reference was made to look at the Cass County minutes which follow that advice. Jackson-Ash wanted it noted that she is of a different opinion on how the minutes should be done.

Wagner requested information regarding the property lines for the old fire station from the Village Manager.

Williams discussed the Council having a tour of the new fire station; and discussing this with the Village Fire Board Representative.

Jackson-Ash inquired about the battery for the weather siren at the old fire station. Village Manger stated it was changed and tested last summer according to the records.

Public Comments: None

Announcements:

- Next CAUA Meeting: March 20, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
- Next Village Council Workshop Meeting: March 27, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
- Next Regular Village Council Meeting: April 10, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
- Next Main Street Meeting: March 13 and April 10, 2017, 5:45 p.m.
- Public Hearing – CIP & Planning Commission: March 16th at 5:30 p.m.
- Public Hearing, ICE, March 23 , 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
- Special Meeting, Ice, March 27, 2017 (prior to workshop) at 6:30 p.m.
- Public Hearing, lake Board: March 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: President Pro-tem Williams declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Frank Williams, Jr., President Pro-Tem

Emilie Sarratore, Village Manager