

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
WORKSHOP MEETING
July 24, 2017**

President Johnson called the Workshop Meeting of the Cassopolis Village Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Yoder, Parsons, Jackson-Ash (arrived at 6:35 p.m.), Johnson, Williams, Sims and Wagner

Council Members Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Approval of Agenda: Wagner motioned, seconded by Sims to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Item E. Wolfe Rd.

Motion Carried.

Public Comment(s) on Agenda Items: None.

New Action Items:

- A. **Dump:** The brush that is held at the dump could be considered a compost pile, if so, we would need a permit from the state. If the brush is chipped then we would not. A wood chipper is in the budget for this fiscal year to be purchased to begin tackling the brush. There were some suggestions about others taking the brush instead of DPW having to chip it.
- B. **Parcel of Property (See Attachment 1):** This property on M-62 is being considered for a Village welcome sign and can be purchased for \$100.00 and an additional \$30 for the deed. Council expressed some concerns regarding visibility of the sign, the cleanup of the property and if the parcel is within Village limits.
- C. **Audit (See Attachment 2):** The Department of Treasury normally does our annual audit report and their quote for this year is attached. There is no change to the rate, but there will most likely be extra hours due to the need of a single audit for the prior fiscal year.
- D. **Fire Station (See Attachment 3):** West Shore Services, Inc provided two options for dealing with the weather siren from the old fire station. The less expensive option is preferable, but the Village Manager will look into some other options with the electric company.
- E. **Wolfe Road:** There is a concern about this road, which came up at the Economic Development Committee meeting. The road needs repaving and is a deterrent to businesses interested in that area. Discussion ensued regarding solutions to this problem, which included an option to change the classification of the street from local to major. Therefore, we will be able to receive federal funding for the maintenance of the road.

Miscellaneous Council Concerns/Items:

Jackson-Ash stated that the flowers in the Village are looking very nice. She would also like to see some changes to the benches and trash cans in the downtown.

Yoder discussed purchasing park equipment and repaving the basketball court at Southside Park.

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Public Comments-Non Agenda Items: None.

Announcements: None.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Tonia Betty, Village Clerk

Reviewed by: _____
David L. Johnson, Village President