

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 11, 2020**

President Johnson called the Regular Meeting of the Cassopolis Village Council via Zoom to order at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Luckey, Parsons, Conner, Johnson, Williams, Sims and Wagner

Council Members Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Consent Agenda: Wagner motioned, seconded by Williams to approve the following consent agenda as presented:

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2020
- b. Approval of Invoices - \$1,207,127.33
- c. Approval of Ordinance 261 (RRC Updates)
- d. Approval of Ordinance 262 (Sewer Ordinance Updates)
- e. Resolution 2020-3 (Streetscape Project)
- f. Resolution 2020-4 (Par Plan Grant)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Parsons, Conner, Johnson, Williams, Sims, Wagner and Luckey

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

Motion Carried.

Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items:

None

Department Reports:

Manager: See report.

Reports accepted as presented.

Council and staff discussed:

- Village Manager Sarratore gave an update on some department reports and informed Council that the Michigan Strategic Fund will be meeting the next week to approve the \$2.8 million grant.

Miscellaneous Council Concerns/Items

Johnson asked about how far behind DPW is. Johnson also stated that he was happy that we were able to keep all full-time employees with benefits during this time. Superintendent Anderson responded that the problems during this time usually surround Memorial Day, but for now things are not behind.

Village Manager Sarratore stated that she drafted a Social Distancing Policy for all employees working during this time.

Williams asked when Village Hall will open back to the public. Village Manager Sarratore stated that it

will open when the Governor lifts the stay home order.

Johnson asked if there are high utility delinquencies. Village Manager Sarratore responded that it is not terrible.

Conner asked if the Village projects scheduled for this summer are being postponed. Village Manager Sarratore informed that we are still waiting on some grants to be finalized and the other projects are slightly delayed, but none of them have been postponed.

Sims asked about the two grants that were sent out to residents. Village Manager Sarratore replied that the façade grant is for businesses and is operated through the Main Street and the other is a \$45,000 MSHDA grant for homeowners who can receive up to \$5,620 each.

Sims announced that effective tonight she is resigning from her Trustee position due to her health. She encouraged everyone to keep up the good work and that the staff has done a good job. People in the community are saying good things now. Staff and Council expressed they were sad for her to leave and thanked her for her comments.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

David L. Johnson, Village President

Tonia Betty, Village Clerk