

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 8, 2020**

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

Roll Call:

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

Council Members Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

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

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes – Zoom Meeting of 5.11.2020
- b. Approval of Invoices - \$340,049.80
- c. Resolution 2020-5; Truth in Taxation
- d. Resolution 2020-6; 2020-2021 Budget
- e. Resolution 2020-7; Recission of Resolution 2019-5
- f. Resolution 2020-8; Industrial Park Property
- g. Resolution 2020-9; Recommendation for Liquor License approval by Stone Lake, LLC
- h. Resolution 2020-10; Midwest Energy & Communications annexation
- i. Pokagon Contract
- j. Ordinance 262 (2nd Reading); Sewer Use Ordinance
- k. Ordinance 263 (1st Reading); Commercial Business
- l. Ordinance 264 (1st Reading); Zoning updated for 263

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

Motion Carried.

Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items:

Justin Smith asked about the recreational marijuana vote and explained why it would be beneficial to the community.

Managers Update

Village Manager Sarratore gave an update on the Municipal Complex construction and other transformation projects, RRC certification, homeowner grants, the new fellow, the Main Street Façade grants, and DPW staffing update, and the new Bigby Coffee.

She also thanked MEC for wanting to be a part of the Village and will complete the next step of making the request for annexation to the Cass County Board of Commissioners.

She discussed with Council a response to the Black Lives Matter protests, which was brought to her by a resident when she was asked how the Village is going to respond. Village Manager Sarratore is thankful to our police department and those that came before in creating good relations with the residents. Council agreed to have the Village Manager draft a press release to be posted online and distributed in as many

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forms as possible.

Miscellaneous Council Concerns/Items

Conner asked about the Parkshore Dr. project; he wanted to know if we purchased property and if it went out to bid. Village Manager Sarratore stated that we have purchased the property we needed and the project has gone out to bid.

Williams asked if we need to submit anything for the annexation. Village Manager Sarratore explained the process and what the next steps are.

Wagner thanked MEC and Steve & Schelley for their commitment and investment into the Village.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

David L. Johnson, Village President

Tonia Betty, Village Clerk