

**Vermontville Village  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Vermontville Community Center  
October 10, 2019**

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I. Called to Order – 7:00 pm

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call: PRESENT: Becky Austin, Ira Flowers, Sandy Hosey, Kimberlee Kenyon & President Jason Sheridan. Also Present: Treasurer, Jody Franklin and Clerk Kathy Joppie & DPW Supervisor Chris Rumsey. ABSENT: Sue Villanueva & Charles Viele.

IV. Approval of Agenda

***Councilmember Austin moved to accept the agenda, Councilmember Kenyon seconded. All Ayes.***

V. Public Comment

- Maple Valley superintendent Katherine Bertolini
- Jeff & Chelsea Wetzel

VI. Consent Agenda Items

ALL ITEMS LISTED UNDER ITEM 5, CONSENT AGENDA, ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL NOT BE SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- A. Minutes – September 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes, September 25, 2019 Special Mtg Minutes
- B. Bills for Approval – September 13, 2019 to October 10, 2019
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019
- D. Treasurer Report

***Councilmember Hosey moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Councilmember Kenyon seconded. All ayes.***

VII. Reports from Council Committees

- A. Insurance/Legal/Finance – Jason Orton (David Chapman Agency) discussed the 2020 policy. An increase of \$500 overall for Community Center and an additional building.

B. Water & Sewer –

- a. Recommendation to approve the 2020 Water Rates.

***Councilmember Hosey moved to approve the 2020 Water rates. Councilmember Austin seconded. All Ayes.***

- b. Recommendation to approve the 2020 Sewer Rates.

***Councilmember Austin moved to approve the 2020 Sewer rates. Councilmember Hosey seconded. All Ayes.***

- c. Recommendation to purchase Silversmith Data/Software, spending up to \$10,000.

***Councilmember Austin moved to purchase the Silversmith Data Software in the amount of \$6500 for meter reading. Councilmember Kenyon seconded. All Ayes.***

***Councilmember Austin moved to put \$7500 into a CD for the future purchase of the truck reader for Silversmith Data Software. Councilmember Hosey seconded. All Ayes.***

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- C. Grants – Tri-County Grant was accepted. Because of the numerous requests, Village of Vermontville received \$500. The Generator will cost between \$6000 and \$9000. Council decided not to take this grant and will reapply again in six months. (April 2020)
- D. Ordinance – Eaton County attended an earlier meeting regarding 2020 Contract and Ordinance enforcement.
- E. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks – Will be meeting to discuss First and Main traffic this month.  
**Councilmember Austin moved to replace the culvert near gas station in the amount of \$1700. (This will replace and create a ditch along road to help with draining.) Councilmember Kenyon seconded. All Ayes.**
- F. Fire –Chief Wetzzel gave a report for the month of September. Fire Prevention week went well with attendance at Maple Valley and the Amish Schools.
- G. Buildings & Grounds – Nothing to report
- H. Technology – Nothing to report.
- I. Health & Safety –
  - a. Police Stats – Jason Sheridan read the September report.
- J. Personnel – Budget recommendations will be at the Preliminary Budget Meeting.

**VIII.** DPW Report –

**Councilmember Villanueva moved to spend up to \$10,000 to repair catch basins on North & West Main. Councilmember Hosey seconded. All Ayes.**

- IX. Report from Planning Zoning Boards – October meeting scheduled for the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- X. President Report –
  - i. Preliminary Budget – October 24<sup>th</sup> – 7 PM
  - ii. Budget Hearing – November 14 (Prior to regular Council Meeting) - 6:30 PM
  - iii. Adoption of 2020 Budget at November 14 Regular Council Meeting – 7 PM
- XI. Unfinished Business –  
**Councilmember Austin moved to hold Village Trick or Treat hours on Halloween night to 5 PM to 7:30 PM. Councilmember Kenyon seconded. All Ayes.**
- XII. New Business
- XIII. Public Comment
  - a. Request to publish a DRAFT of the Agenda on the website prior to meeting.
- XIV. Adjournment  
**Councilmember Austin moved to adjourn. Councilmember Hosey supported. All Ayes.**

Meeting Adjourned – 8:20 PM

Minutes submitted by Clerk, Kathy Joppie