

**Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Community Center 108 N Main ST,
Vermontville MI 49096
September 9, 2021 7p.m.**

- I. Call to Order- 7:00pm
- II. Roll Call – Present Kimberlee Kenyon, Mark Jorgensen, Gary Goris, Ira Flowers and Mark Wenger. Absent Sandy Hosey and Chris Morris
- III. Pledge of Allegiance – said by all
- IV. Public Comment – Richard Baker concerns about uncovered pipe left by Consumers Energy. Barb Wenger concerns about stray cats. Steve Hayes representing Syrup Corporation gave an update that Mid-America amusements will not be coming back, they have a few other options for amusement vendors. Band Boosters will be moving back to the fire barn to serve pancakes next year. Syrup Corporation is requesting use of the Community Center for Syrup Festival weekend 2022 and permission to place a Craft Beer Tent downtown. Other residents in attendance – MaryAnn Hayes, Sarah Wenger, Joshua Wenger and Devaine Cowles.

Motion by M.Wenger, supported by K.Kenyon to add East Main barricades during Syrup Festival to new business on the Agenda. All Ayes

Motion by G. Goris, supported by K. Kenyon to remove August 12th meeting minutes from consent agenda. Material was not provided in packet for review. All Ayes

Motion by K. Kenyon, supported by M. Wenger, to accept the consent agenda less the August 12 meeting minutes. All Ayes

- V. 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 – August 12, 2021 minutes (removed because they were not provided for review)
- B. Bills for Approval – Check register 08/12/2021 – 09/09/2021
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for 8 months ending August 31, 2021
- D. Treasurer Report – Cash and investment and CD summaries

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VI. Reports from Council Committees

A. Insurance/Legal/Finance –

- a. Engagement letter from Walker, Fluke and Sheldon for 2021 annual audit.

Motion by K. Kenyon, supported by M. Wenger, to accept the engagement letter with the quote \$14,425.00. this includes a standard audit, a single audit as required by the USDA and the F65 and Act51 reports. Roll Call Ayes K. Kenyon, M. Jorgensen, G. Goris, I. Flowers and M. Wenger. Nays none. Absent C. Morris and S. Hosey

B. Water & Sewer –

- a. Recommendation to council to approve up to \$100,000 for emergency repairs to the lift stations at Spring and Nut St. Repairs will include 3 pumps and 2 panels.

Motion by M. Wenger, supported by K. Kenyon, to accept recommendation a. to approve approve up to \$100,000 for emergency repairs to the lift stations at Spring and Nut St. Repairs will include 3 pumps and 2 panels. Roll Call Ayes K. Kenyon, M. Jorgensen, G. Goris, I. Flowers and M. Wenger. Nays none. Absent C. Morris and S. Hosey

- b. Recommendation to no longer accept postmarked payments after 12/31/2021. Payments must be received in the office or left in the drop box by the last day of the month to avoid late fees.

Motion by G. Goris, supported by K. Kenyon to accept recommendation b. to no longer accept postmarked payments after 12/31/2021. Payments must be received in the office or left in the drop box by the last day of the month to avoid late fees. All Ayes

C. Grants –

D. Ordinance –

E. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks –

- a. Recommendation to Council to approve traffic control order 2021-01 and send to Eaton County for approval. This order is to place no parking signs in front of the field entrance on the East side of North Main.

Motion by M. Wenger, supported by G. Goris, to accept the recommendation a. to approve traffic control order 2021-01 and send to Eaton County for approval. This

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order is to place no parking signs in front of the field entrance on the East side of North Main. All Ayes.

Motion by G. Goris, supported by M. Wenger to replace the culvert on W. Main for \$3000.00 to be spent from major streets Repairs and maintenance budget. Repave Third St between West and Spring St. for \$52,600.00 to be spent from major streets capital outlay. 2" asphalt overlay on Elm St. between Fourth and Fifth St. for \$8150.00 from local streets capital outlay. Roll Call Ayes K. Kenyon, M. Jorgensen, G. Goris, I. Flowers and M. Wenger. Nays none. Absent C. Morris and S. Hosey

- F. Fire – report from Kim
 - a. Still waiting on pumper truck
 - b. New ambulance waiting on chip
 - c. New applicant at the fire dept.

- G. Buildings & Grounds –

- H. Technology –

- I. Health & Safety –
 - a. Police stats

- J. Personnel –
 - a. Conducted employee reviews on Sept 1st and 8th. Recommendations will be made after the personnel meeting on Sept 21, 2021

- VII. DPW Report –
 - a. There are 4 dead trees on S. Main downtown that needs to be replaced
Motion by G. Goris, supported by I. Flowers to accept the quote of 1796.00 to get the 4 dead trees on S. Main downtown replaced. All Ayes

- VIII. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards –
 - a. September 14th meeting is cancelled for Planning Commission

- IX. President Report –
 - a. Update on water project. The crews are trying to get things done asap. There have been some delays due to materials not being available.

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X. Old Business –

XI. New Business –

a. Barricades on East Main during Festival

Motion by G. Goris supported by K. Kenyon to allow The Syrup corporation with the help of our DPW Supervisor to block off E. Main between the 4 corners and Seminary St. during Syrup festival 2022 to allow vendors on E. Main and help with traffic flow at the 4 corners. Alternate routes will be set up. All Ayes.

XII. Public Comment – Councilmember Mark Wenger thanked everyone for their support their support and help getting them things after their house burned Wednesday night 9/8/21.

Motion by I. Flowers, supported by M. Wenger to adjourn the meeting at 8:22pm. All ayes

XIII. Adjournment- 8:22pm

Submitted by Becky Austin, Clerk
9/13/21