

Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
108 N Main St, Vermontville MI 49096
October 12, 2023 6:30p.m.

I. Call to Order – 6:30pm

II. Roll Call – Ira Flowers, Gary Goris, Kimberlee Kenyon and Tom Lesage. Absent Chris Morris, Rick Salisbury and Mark Wenger. Also present Becky Austin, Clerk, Amy Peters, Treasurer and Chris Rumsey, DPW Supervisor.

III. Pledge of Allegiance – said by all

IV. Public Comment – (Comments and Communications concerning items **not** on the Agenda)
Presentation from Brady Mikula with Globe Life. Steve Hayes from the Syrup Corporation asking to use the Third St. Park area for pony pulls during Syrup Festival.

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by K. Kenyon to add pony pulls to new business. 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 – September 14, 2023 Regular Meeting
- B. Bills for Approval – Check register 9/15/2023 – 10/12/2023
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the 9 Months Ended September 30, 2023
- D. Treasurer Report – Cash and Investment and CD summaries for August and September.

Motion by K. Kenyon, seconded by T. Lesage to accept the consent agenda as presented. All Ayes.

VI. Reports from Council Committees

VII. Insurance/Legal/Finance –

- a. Preliminary budget review
- b. Insurance premium review and approval

Motion by K. Kenyon, seconded by T. Lesage to approve and renew the liability insurance with David Chapman Insurance. Roll Call I. Flowers - Aye, G. Goris - Aye, K. Kenyon - Aye and T. Lesage – Aye. 4-0

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- VIII. Water & Sewer – Water/Sewer rates for 2024
a. Resolution 23-15 wastewater rates

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by K. Kenyon to approve resolution 23-15 to set wastewater rates for 2024. RTS \$26.00, usage \$7.00 per thousand gallons. Roll Call I. Flowers - Aye, G. Goris - Aye, K. Kenyon - Aye and T. Lesage – Aye. 4-0

- b. Resolution 23-16 water rates

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by K. Kenyon to approve resolution 23-16 to set water rates for 2024. RTS \$27.50, usage \$7.50 per thousand gallons. Roll Call I. Flowers - Aye, G. Goris - Aye, K. Kenyon - Aye and T. Lesage – Aye. 4-0

- c. Reapply for DWSRF 2025 funding

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by K. Kenyon to reapply for the DWSRF for 2025. All Ayes.

- IX. Grants – updated report of Grant progress

- X. Ordinance –

- XI. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks – Sub Cat B bid specs

a. Bid opening for street projects will be November 9th at 11am in the Village office.

- XII. Fire – report from Kim

- XIII. Buildings & Grounds – **Park Project bid opening Oct. 17 at 11 am in the Village office.**

- XIV. Technology –

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by G. Goris to in stall 2 85" TV's in the sanctuary and 1 50" TV in the gathering room of the Community Center not to exceed \$2500.00 in 2024. Roll Call I. Flowers - Aye, G. Goris - Aye, K. Kenyon - Aye and T. Lesage – Aye. 4-0

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by K. Kenyon to lease a printer with a service contract from D.L. Galivan for the office. All Ayes.

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XV. Health & Safety –
a. Police stats

XVI. Personnel – Approval of wages for 2024

- a. DPW Supervisor \$30.79/hr plus 24 hours floating holiday time
- b. DPW laborer \$24.88/hr plus 24 hours floating holiday time
- c. Clerk \$30,732.00/yr salary plus 24 hours floating holiday time
- d. Treasurer \$18.61/hr plus 24 hours floating holiday time
- e. Utility Billing Clerk \$15.60/hr plus 24 hours floating holiday time

*All existing benefits such as retirement, health, vision, life and dental insurance will stay the same. PTO will continue to be accrued and available for immediate use. Floating holiday time will be allowed to be used in increments of no less than half a day or full day. For a full time, position this is 4hrs or 8hrs. For a part time employee this is 3hrs or 6hrs. The additional floating holiday time is only good for use in the 2024 calendar year and must be reported on the timesheets as a holiday not PTO. **Floating holidays may not be used on consecutive days.***

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by K. Kenyon to approve wages for the 2024 calendar year. Roll Call I. Flowers - Aye, G. Goris - Aye, K. Kenyon - Aye and T. Lesage – Aye. 4-0

Motion by K. Kenyon, seconded by I. Flowers to switch the Clerk to salary for the 2024 calendar year. Roll Call I. Flowers - Aye, G. Goris - Aye, K. Kenyon - Aye and T. Lesage – Aye. 4-0

XVII. DPW Report –

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by T. Lesage to purchase banners for Mainstreet. 12 winter banners and 12 green Vermontville banners. All Ayes.

XVIII. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards – Minutes from 9/12/23 PC meeting

XIX. President Report –

XX. Unfinished Business –

XXI. New Business – **BUDGET APPROVAL 10/19/2023 AT 7:00PM**

Motion by K. Kenyon, seconded by I. Flowers to allow the Syrup Festival to use the Third St Ball Park area for pony pulls at the Syrup Festival. All Ayes.

XXII. Public Comment –

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded G. Goris to adjourn at 8:35pm

XXIII. Adjournment- 8:35pm

**Submitted by Becky Austin, Clerk
10/16/2023**