

**Vermontville Village**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**108 N Main St, Vermontville MI 49096**  
**April 11, 2024 6:30p.m.**

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I. Call to Order – 6:30pm

II. Roll Call – Ira Flowers, Gary Goris, Tom Lesage and Mark Wenger. Kimberlee Kenyon and Chris Morris joined at 7pm. Absent Rick Salisbury. Also present Amy Peters, Becky Austin and Chris Rumsey.

III. Pledge of Allegiance – said by all

IV. Public Hearing to discuss grant applications for the Third Street Park Improvement, Community Center West side stair replacement, and Façade improvements to the American Legion building. (open comment available to all participants limited to 5 minutes per person) **Paul Racine supports both projects and would like to see the Village put in a splash park in the near future.**

V. Public Comment – (Brief comment on agenda items) **Matt Biolette from F&V spoke about additional ways to increase general fund revenue and grant funding. Paul Racine spoke about supporting the American Legion with their search for funding to make repairs to there Post. He will be contacting the American Riders about this.**

VI. Consent Agenda Items

ALL ITEMS LISTED UNDER ITEM 6, 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 A 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 – March 14, 2024 Regular Meeting and March 22, 2024 special meeting
- B. Bills for Approval – Check register 3/14/2024 – 4/11/2024
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the 3 Month Ended March 31, 2024
- D. Treasurer Report – Cash and Investment and CD summaries for March.

***Motion by M. Wenger, seconded by T. Lesage, to approve the consent agenda as presented. All Ayes***

VII. Reports from Council Committees

VIII. Insurance/Legal/Finance – Budget Amendments

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*Motion by C. Morris, seconded by T. Lesage, to approve budget amendments as presented. Roll Call Ira Flowers -AYE, Gary Goris - AYE, Tom Lesage – AYE, Mark Wenger - AYE, Kimberlee Kenyon - AYE and Chris Morris – AYE.*

IX. Water & Sewer – shut off report

X. Grants – updated report of Grant progress

*Motion by C. Morris, seconded by I. Flowers, to approve resolution 24-02 to apply for the Eaton County Parks Grant. Roll Call Ira Flowers -AYE, Gary Goris - AYE, Tom Lesage – AYE, Mark Wenger - AYE, Kimberlee Kenyon - AYE and Chris Morris – AYE.*

*Motion by C. Morris, seconded by M. Wenger, to apply for the LEAP grant to replace the steps on the west side of the Community Center and to fix the bell tower for an estimated cost of \$24,000.00. Roll Call Ira Flowers -AYE, Gary Goris - AYE, Tom Lesage – AYE, Mark Wenger - AYE, Kimberlee Kenyon - AYE and Chris Morris – AYE.*

*Motion by C. Morris, seconded by G. Goris, to approve the letter of support for the American Legion to apply for a LEAP grant to make façade improvements. Ira Flowers -AYE, Gary Goris – AYE, Kimberlee Kenyon - AYE and Chris Morris – AYE. T. Lesage – abstained, M. Wenger – abstained both are Legion members.*

XI. Ordinance – **Recommendation to review 8.24 of the zoning code and make a decision on the trailer permit application for 389 S. Main St.**

a. Backyard Farm Animal Permit for 134 E Second St.

*Motion by C. Morris, seconded by M. Wenger, to approve the Farm Animal Permit for 134 E Second St. All Ayes.*

XII. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks –

XIII. Fire –

XIV. Buildings & Grounds –

XV. Technology –

*Motion by C. Morris, seconded by K. Kenyon to approve the fireworks for Syrup Festival. All Ayes.*

XVI. Health & Safety –

a. Police stats

XVII. Personnel –

XVIII. DPW Report –

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*Motion by G. Goris, seconded by K. Kenyon to table the Plow truck valve replacement expense to next months meeting. All Ayes. 3/14/2024.*

XIX. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards – Minutes from ZBA 4/6/2024  
*Motion by G. Goris, seconded by C. Morris, to accept the TCAP grant in the amount of \$1,200.00 from the Michigan Participating Plan. All Ayes.*

XX. President Report –

XXI. Unfinished Business -

XXII. New Business – Treasurer Amy Peters submitted her resignation

*Motion by M. Wenger, K. Kenyon to accept the Treasurer’s resignation, with her last day being April 25, 2024. All Ayes.*

*Motion by I. Flowers, seconded by C. Morris to allow the use of the pavilion for the Farmers Market from May 4<sup>th</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>.*

XXIII. Public Comment – NONE

*Motion by I. Flowers, seconded by C. Morris to adjourn at 8:12pm. All Ayes.*

XXIV. Adjournment- 8:12pm

**Submitted by Becky Austin, Clerk**  
**4/16/2024**