Vermontville Village

Council Meeting Minutes

194 S Main St, Vermontville MI 49096

September 11, 2025 7:00p.m.

- I. Call to Order 7:00pm
- II. Roll Call Ira Flowers, Kimberlee Kenyon, Tom Lesage and Gary Goris. Absent Chris Morris, Rick Salisbury and Mark Wenger. Also present Becky Austin, Ashley Gritzmaker and Chris Rumsey.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance said by all
- IV. Public Comment –Dustin Leik of the Vermontville Fire Dept, is requesting permission to use Village power and internet for a storm chaser camera to be put on the Water tower at Third St.

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by G. Goris, to (add) VFD request to the agenda. All Ayes.

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by I. Flowers to all VFD to use the power and internet at the water tower for their cameras. 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 A SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS. IF THE DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- A. Minutes August 14, 2025, Regular Meeting
- B. Bills for Approval Check register 8/15/2025 9/11/2025
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the 8 months ended 8/31/25
- D. Treasurer Report Cash and Investment and CD summaries for August.

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

Reports from Council Committees

- VI. Insurance/Legal/Finance
 - a. Colonial Penn is working on insurance quotes for 2026 rates

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- b. NRWA is working on medical insurances quotes for all employees 2026 rates
- c. Date for preliminary budget hearing, recommended to be scheduled half hour before the October 9th meeting.

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by T. Lesage, to set the preliminary budget hearing for October 9th at 6:30pm. All Ayes.

d. Budget Amendment for Clerk training

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by K. Kenyon, to approve the budget amendment to increase the Clerk budget to allow for additional training this year. Roll Call 4-0 – I. Flowers - AYE, K. Kenyon - AYE, T. Lesage – AYE and G. Goris - AYE.

- VII. Water & Sewer
 - a. Shut off report
 - b. Water resolution for recommended 2026 rates

Motion by K. Kenyon, seconded by T. Lesage, to approve the 2026 water rates. All Ayes

c. Wastewater/Sewer resolution for recommended 2026 rates

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by K. Kenyon, to approve the 2026 water rates. All Ayes

- VIII. Grants -
- IX. Ordinance –
- X. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks updated CIP
- XI. Fire Report from Kim no meeting in August
- XII. Buildings & Grounds
 - a. Special events permit

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by I. Flowers, to Table the updated special events permit application to next month's meeting. All Ayes

b. Community Center rental agreements revised

Motion by I. Flowers, seconded by K. Kenyon to approve eliminating the hourly Community Center Agreements. All Ayes.

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Motion by I. Flowers, seconded by G. Goris, to set the daily rate for all rentals at \$135 starting 1/1/2026. All Ayes.

- XIII. Technology -
- XIV. Health & Safety
 - a. Letter from Eaton County Sheriff
 - b. Police Stats
- XV. Personnel –

Motion by G. Goris, seconded by I. Flowers to approve the Employee wages for 2026 at , DPW Supervisor — 30.99, Laborer — 25.08, Part time help — 15.00, Clerk — 19.90, Treasurer/UB — 18.81, Deputy clerk/ub — 15.20 All Ayes.

- XVI. DPW Report There were 2 house that tested positive for copper. This will be shared with the public per EGLE requirements.
- XVII. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards Budget recommendations
- XVIII. President Report –
- XIX. Unfinished Business -
- XX. New Business -
- XXI. Public Comment –

Kimberlee Kenyon wants to know more about the Maple Tree ordinance.

Gary Goris announced that this will be his last meeting as a board member.

Motion by T. Lesage, seconded by G. Goris to adjourn at 8:10pm. All Ayes

XXII. Adjournment- 8:10pm