

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CASNOVIA VILLAGE COUNCIL
HELD AT THE CASNOVIA VILLAGE HALL
August 8, 2022**

Opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

REGULAR MEETING

President Pro-Tem Frary called the regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:32p.m.

Members present: Ken Frary, Jerry Palinski, Kathy Kahrs, Robert Bennitt, and Shelley Carr.

Absent: Consuelo Morris.

Let the minutes reflect that President Consuelo Morris arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Let the minutes reflect that Sally Borghese, Ashley Scudder and Carrie Botham attended the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Palinski, supported by Frary, to approve proposed Meeting Agenda for August 8, 2022, with the addition of adopting a resolution designating September 16, 2022, as "Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day added to New Business: Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

VISITOR'S REPORT

Sally Borghese voiced concerns of the property maintenance letter her daughter, Leda Borghese, received; concerns about Leda's adjoining neighbors constructing fences; and concerns about Leda's adjoining neighbor doing work without proper permits.

Ashley Scudder and Carrie Botham voiced concerns of the property located at 69 E. Division being infested with cockroaches. The Village updated Ashley and Carrie with the Village's attempts at working with the Kent County Health Department. Carrie requested reimbursement of money spent on fumigating her property. Village denied request.

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to accept the regular monthly meeting minutes of July 11, 2022, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

FINANCAL REPORT

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to accept the Financial Report for July 31, 2022, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS

Motion by Frary, supported by Bennitt, to pay the monthly bills as presented.

Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

Letters sent out to residents regarding property maintenance and barking dog. Office Assistant help wanted ad placed in the Ravenna Independent, the Post Office, the Village Facebook page, and at the Village Office.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Presented July 2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Spending Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Milfoil weeds are retreating on ponds, but Duck weed is increasing. Weeds surrounding the ponds need to be cut.

BUILDING & GROUNDS – Kahrs, *committee chair*. New Work Order system has been implemented to improve communication with DPW employees.

STREETS – Morris, *committee chair*. Getting estimates for repairs to all Village streets. Getting estimates to sub-contract the snow plowing; plow truck is need of extensive repairs to pass DOT inspection. Weeds on streets will be sprayed.

SIDEWALKS - Palinski, *committee chair*. Still working with Jerry's Concrete concerning additional required work on sidewalk project

ZONING – Frary, *committee chair*. Will attempt one more quarterly meeting for the Planning Commission. If a quorum is not met, recommend dissolving Planning Commission and having the Council take over responsibilities.

DISMANTLED CARS – Bennitt, *committee chair*. Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

- On a motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to hire Jessica Otte to rebuild Village website and provide training for upkeep of website in the amount of \$1,305.00. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- On a motion by Kahrs, supported by Bennitt, to have Consuelo Morris and Shelley Carr attend the MML Annual Conference in October the amount of \$520 per person. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- On a motion by Frary, supported by Bennitt, to accept the bid from Jerry's Concrete to make the necessary concrete repairs to the Veteran's Memorial in the amount of \$1,265.00. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- On a motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to accept the bid from Tri-Us Services, Inc. for the fall street sweeping and leaf pickup in the amount of \$14,425.00. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- Resolution 2022-05 – Designation of September 16, 2022, as Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day. On a motion by Bennitt, supported by Frary, to adopt Resolution 2022-05 designating September 16, 2022, as Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- 62 E. Division: Two-Family Zoning Variance has been rescinded. No building permits have been issued; it's been over one year since the variance was approved.
- Railroad crossing at 18-Mile Road is to begin sometime in September according to Genesee Wyoming Railroad.

Being no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by Morris, and supported by Palinski, to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. Village Council members Morris, Frary, Palinski, and Kahrs strolled Village streets after meeting taking note of various conditions.

The next regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council will be Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., with a service session beginning at 6:00 pm. All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Casnovia Village Hall, 141 N. Main Street, Casnovia, Michigan.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelley Carr, Village Clerk