

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CASNOVIA VILLAGE COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE CASNOVIA VILLAGE HALL  
February 14, 2022**

**SERVICE SESSION**

President Morris called the service session of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members present:** Connie Morris, Ken Frary, Jerry Palinski, Robert Bennitt, and Shelley Carr.

**Absent:** Kathy Kahrs and Ashley Scudder.

- **DPW and Office Buildings** – Morris to check with MML to verify if permissible to sell unused equipment.
- **Animal Control Ordinance 2020-14** – Add chickens and ducks to ordinance and place advertisement for public notice.
- **Last Salary Raise for Treasurer and Clerk** – Last voted on at the November, 2019 meeting. Council to vote during the regular meeting.
- **Ban on 5G Antennas within Village Limits** – Tabled until the March 14 meeting.

**REGULAR MEETING**

President Morris called the regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:36 p.m.

**Members present:** Connie Morris, Ken Frary, Jerry Palinski, Robert Bennitt, and Shelley Carr.

**Absent:** Kathy Kahrs and Ashley Scudder.

Let the minutes reflect that no visitors attended the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Palinski, supported by Frary, to approve proposed Meeting Agenda for the February 14, 2022 meeting as presented. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Frary, supported by Morris, to accept the regular monthly meeting minutes of January 10, 2022 as presented. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to accept the Financial Report for February, 2022 as presented. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

**MONTHLY BILLS**

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

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

**VISITOR'S REPORT**

No report.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

Need to renew Microsoft Office Suite, \$8.25 per month per user and will automatically renew. Sent out formal bid acceptance letter to Bultsma Construction for the sink holes throughout the Village. Mailed several property maintenance and inoperable vehicle letters to residents.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

No report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**SEWER** – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Primary pond line is plugged and backed up into the meter house with what appears to be paper towels and wipes. Notify residents to not flush paper towels, hand towels and wipes (flushable or non-flushable). Flow has been switched over to the secondary pond until Ryan's Municipal Service can get here to jet open the line. Randy Kahrs has passed his license renewal exam.

**STREETS** – Morris, *committee chair*. Certified Act 51 street map noting there are not changes to the village streets. Received a quote in the amount of \$3,000.00 from Bultsma Construction Company to finish the easement work.

**BUILDING & GROUNDS** – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Purchased a battery charger for the DPW building. Brought snow plow to Aerial Hydraulics for some minor leak repairs. Snow plow is in need of additional repairs that will have to wait until spring.

**SIDEWALKS** - Palinski, *committee chair*. Will be contacting Jerry's Concrete for a start date on the sidewalk repairs.

**ZONING** – Frary, *committee chair*. Motion by Morris, supported by Bennitt, to have the Planning Commission meet on a quarterly basis. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried. Planning Commission members will be contacted for input as to dates and times.

**DISMANTLED CARS** – Bennitt, *committee chair*. No report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Motion by Palinski, supported by Bennitt, to raise the Treasurer and Clerk salaries to \$800 per month providing that attendance during regular business hours be adhered to. Exceptions will be made for illness and vacation. Regular business hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. If attendance for regular business hours is not possible, then the salary will remain at \$770 per month.  
Roll Call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Absent: Kahrs. Motion carried.
- Spring Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 14, 2022, from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Village building painting bids have been sent out. Deadline to respond is March 10, 2022.
- Village street striping bids have been sent out. Deadline to respond is March 10, 2022.
- CBDG ideas are improve sidewalks and install lantern-style lighting throughout the Village, update the lighting in all of the Village buildings, improve the fencing around the sewer ponds.
- Railroad crossing at 18-Mile is on the schedule to be repaired this season in coordination with MDOT. Railroad crossing on Main St. will be evaluated after the snow melts.

Being no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by Frary, and supported by Morris, to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council will be Monday, March 14, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., with a service session beginning at 6:00 pm. Social distancing will be followed. 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