MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CASNOVIA VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD AT THE CASNOVIA VILLAGE HALL January 11, 2021

President Morris called the regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:30 p.m. **Members present:** Connie Morris, Ken Frary, Kathy Kahrs, Jerry Palinski, Ashley Scudder and Coleen Boyer.

Absent: None

Let the minutes reflect that Robert Bennitt attended the meeting.

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski to accept the regular monthly meeting minutes of December 14, 2020, as presented. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

FINANCAL REPORT

Reviewed financial report for January 2021. On a motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to accept the Financial Report as presented. Ayes: 4 Nays; 0 Motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, that the monthly bills to be paid, as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, and Kahrs Nays: 0 -Motion carried.

VISITORS COMMENTS

Robert Bennitt addressed the council and volunteered to become a Council Trustee.

President, Connie Morris administered the Oath of Office to Coleen Boyer and she was sworn in as Village Clerk, for a 2 year term (Dec. 2021- Nov.2023). Village Clerk, Coleen Boyer, administered the following Oaths of Office to the Village Council; Connie Morris, President, 2 year term (Dec. 2021- Nov.2023), Kathy Kahrs, Trustee, 4 year term (Dec. 2021- Nov.2025),

Jerry Palinski, Trustee, 4 year term (Dec. 2021- Nov.2025),

Robert Bennitt, Trustee, 2 year term (Dec. 2021- Nov.2023),

Ashley Scudder, Treasurer, 2 year term (Dec. 2021- Nov.2023)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Fall discharge was completed in October. Next discharge will be in March / May time frame. The ponds are frozen over. Kelsey Kahrs has started doing the week day and weekend checks under the guidance of R. Kahrs. K.Kahrs completed the webinar series on math for water and wastewater systems.

STREETS - Morris, *committee chair*. Reports by Moore & Bruggink have been completed. Moore & Bruggink reported there was some grant money left over. Council will need to determine how the leftover funds will be used. Work will start soon for the catch basins on Grand Street.

BUILDING & GROUNDS – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Thursday, January 14, Orchard Hill will begin installation of the new furnace unit on the Village Hall roof.

J. Manciu, DPW, would like to build shelves in the garage for salt storage. Materials are available for the shelves. He will also give some quotes for materials to make barricades for the Village.

SIDEWALKS - Palinski, committee chair. A letter for an "Invitation to Bid" for sidewalk projects was presented by Palinski. This letter will be sent to contractors with a due date of March 1, 2021. Letters will be sent to all residents being affected by the sidewalk repair/construction. Affected residents will be invited to the March 8th council meeting for discussion and updates.

ZONING – Frary, committee chair. Letter sent to 39 Grand Street informing them they needed to acquire a building permit for work being done on the property. There has been lots of parking of cars on the Village right-of-way property. Reminders of no parking over easements and residents keeping sidewalks clear of snow will be sent in next mailing of sewer bills.

DISMANTLED CARS – Black pick-up still parked behind resident home on Probasco. Cars parked at 43 Probasco are unlicensed. Call will be made to Casnovia Township to inquire of any forwarding information.

NEW BUSINESS

- Planning Commission currently there are two (2) open seats on the commission. Members are Ken Frary, Doug Tawney and Helen Sands.
- Flags. Thirty flags will be ordered and they will be put up for Memorial Day weekend and left up till after Labor Day weekend.

OLD BUSINESS

- Marijuana Ordinance; Tabled till the January meeting.
- Street sign at Main and M-37 has been knocked down. A call will go out to Muskegon County Rd Commission to inform them.

Being no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by Palinski, and supported by Kahrs, to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council will be Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., with a service session beginning at 6:00 pm. Face masks are required. 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, Coleen Boyer – Village Clerk

