

# Village of Casnovia

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## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CASNOVIA VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD AT THE CASNOVIA VILLAGE OFFICE 141 N. MAIN STREET, CANOVIA, MI 49318 June 12, 2023

## SERVICE SESSION

President Pro-tem Kahrs 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:** Ken Frary - Member, Jerry Palinski - Member, Kathy Kahrs – President Pro-tem, and Robert Bennitt - Member. Officers Present: Shelley Carr – Treasurer, Pamela Manciu – Clerk.

- Roberts Rules
- Vision Plan

### REGULAR MEETING

President Morris called the regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:28 p.m.

**Members Present:** Consuelo Morris - President, Ken Frary - Member, Jerry Palinski - Member, Kathy Kahrs - Member, and Robert Bennitt - Member. Officers Present: Shelley Carr – Treasurer, Pamela Manciu - Clerk.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to approve proposed Meeting Agenda for June 12, 2023, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Visitor's Comments: Luke Meerman State Representative, 89<sup>th</sup> District – His email is LukeMeerman@house.mi.gov – Representative Meerman came to the meeting to offer support for Village needs.

#### **MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to accept the regular monthly meeting minutes of May 8, 2023, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to accept the Special Budget monthly meeting minutes of May 8, 2023, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### FINANCAL REPORT

Motion by Frary, supported by Palinski, to accept the Financial Report for May 8, 2023, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### MONTHLY BILLS

Motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to pay the monthly bills as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

Reported on results of letters sent to residents and resident complaints regarding barking dogs, and soil from snowplow in the yard.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Presented Budget vs actual and the need for amendments in the July 2023 Council meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**SEWER** – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Started replacing signs. Pond discharge occurred in May; all went well. Test numbers were all in range. The sewer assistant made 3 trips to the lab. The daily pond flow has dropped. Requested and received permission to rent a generator to skim the sewer ponds of duckweed in July.

**BUILDING & GROUNDS** – Kahrs, *committee chair*. The Hall is all set for rentals, there are 2 rentals scheduled for June. Have been pulling weeds in front of the Village Office and preparing to update landscaping. The Village has purchased small trees to replace greenery in front of village Office. The Little Library in front of the Village Office is being moved closer to the sidewalks. Additional trees have been purchased for placement on Kenowa. Seasonal banners have been purchased and will be installed soon. There is an insect issue in one of the windows in the Hall windowsill, which seems to have been resolved with the placement of a Terro insect replant tray.

**STREETS** – Morris, *committee chair*. Continue to move forward with street repairs with our current funds. We did not receive the approval of grants to complete the street repair work. President Morris will be reviewing which streets have the greatest needs for repair.

**SIDEWALKS** - Palinski, *committee chair*. Sidewalk work will be started once approval from Miss Digg has been requested and received. We have requested the concrete contract to give us sidewalk block quotes in preparation for future work. Committee Chair Palinski has been unable to contact some residents regarding sidewalk work.

**ZONING** – Frary, *committee chair*. The dilapidated building which the Village has requested be repaired or removed has been removed.

DISMANTLED CARS - Bennitt, committee chair. No report on disabled vehicles.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Fall/Spring Street Sweeping Bid requests to be sent out.
- Fall Brush Pick-Up Has been set for October 1 October 15
- Fall Leaf Pick-Up Has been set for October 30, November 6, and November 13
- Fall Leaf Pick-Up Bid requests to be sent out.
- Monument Planters/Flowers Will be updated seasonally.
- Village of Sparta Trucks F250 with dump box for sale
- Anti-Noise and Public Nuisance ordinance review and amend Ordinance 2002-02
- Snowplow Truck DOT Inspection
  - ShieldWall Fleet Solutions to do inspection 6/13/2023.
  - Provide list of needed repairs
- Walking Council Meeting August
- PROTEC- MML review of PROTEC efforts to protect local community interests and request for Village of Casnovia membership to PROTEC
- Motion by Palinski supported by Frary to allocate funds from the General Fund to purchase 10 tables and 20 chairs not to exceed \$1500 for the Village Hall.

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Master Plan to reviewed for updates.
- Review of repealed Ordinance Solar Ordinance 2023-02.
- Review of amended Zoning Ordinance to include language regarding solar energy.
- Review of amended Animal Control Ordinance

No further business to come before the Council, on a motion by Palinski, supported by Frary to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Roll call: Ayes: Morris, Frary, Palinski, Kahrs, and Bennitt. Nays: 0. Motion carried

The next regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council will be Monday, July 10, 2023, 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 Office, 141 N. Main Street, Casnovia, Michigan.

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Submitted, Pam Manciu, Clerk, Village of Casnovia