



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
October 13, 2025**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order: President Pro-Tem Jerry Palinski called the regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jerry Palinski– President Pro-tem, Kathy Kahrs – Member, Ken Frary – Member, Robert Bennitt - Member

Officers Present: Shelley Carr – Treasurer, Pam Manciu – Clerk

Members and Officers Absent : Consuelo Morris – President,

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to approve meeting agenda for them September 8, 2025, as presented. Motion carried.

Visitors Comments: Resident of Grand Street present to express concerns regarding loose cats in the Village and the unsanitary conditions presented by loose cats defecating in children’s sandboxes and the impact to cats hunting birds.

Opening Of Bids: N/A

Monthly Meeting Minutes: Motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to accept the regular monthly meeting minutes of September 8, 2025, as presented. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Motion by Frary, supported by Kahrs, to accept the Financial Report as presented. Motion carried.

Monthly Bills Motion by Kahrs, supported by Bennitt, to pay the monthly bills. Roll call was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

September Payables

Payroll	\$4,643.50
Administrative Fund	\$8,787.35
Hall Fund	\$404.92
Sewer Fund	\$2,721.41
Total	\$16,557.18

Clerk’s Report: Letter was sent to resident about dismantled vehicle on a trailer.

Resident has since posted on the vehicle “Stop Harassing Me.” Dismantled vehicle continues to be present, additional letter to be sent. Residents have raised concerns about the presence of loose cats within the Village. In response to the complaint, a survey was conducted among neighboring Villages. Animal Control as relates to cats. The Humane Society is currently not accepting loose cats. The recommendation is to contact a cat rescue as the most effective solution. Additional letter will be sent to resident who it appears owns the cats concerning unsanitary conditions presented by loose cats and impact to area birds.

Treasurer’s Report: Presented Actual vs. Budgeted Income & Expense Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Additional millings are to be spread on Sewer drive by gate. Village needs to obtain a burn permit for the brush that has been picked up. The Sewer outfall project is complete. Georgetown Construction of the pipelining project should be complete by October 31, 2025. The wind was in the correct position on September 30th to push all the duck weed away from the valve cell, water was moved to the secondary pond. The pond must be isolated at least 20 days prior to discharge. This kept duck weed in the primary pond.

The new manhole placed in the NW area of the sewer ponds, presents an issue. Most manholes installed were close to level with the ground. The concerning one sticks up much higher and is where the brush pile goes, it makes it difficult to drive around the ponds. When they come back out to finish the pipe lining, the engineer will be out to review all the remaining issues.

Building & Grounds – Kahrs, *committee chair*. Blinds in the hall have been replaced. The first hall renters in September did not comply with rental agreement, which caused all or a portion of the deposit to be retained. New carpet had to be shampooed after rentals due to stains left on carpet. There are 2 rentals in October. A work order has been submitted to Consumers Energy for replacement of outlets on 2 poles. Christmas holiday decorations have been ordered.

Streets – Morris – *committee chair*. – No report

Sidewalks – Palinski, *committee chair*. Will create list of concrete contractors to seek bids for sidewalk repairs for next spring/summer.

Zoning – Frary, *committee chair*. Nothing to report.

Dismantled Cars – Bennitt, *committee chair*. Request letter to be sent to resident regarding what appears to be unlicensed vehicle.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Muskegon Senior Millage Funding Summary will be provided to Muskegon County. Requests for funds for Muskegon County Fiscal year 2026 at the October Council meeting – 2025 amount was \$4588.
 - House Numbers - \$540.00
 - Senior Breakfast at Old School – Christmas and Easter - \$900.00
 - Ramp at Old School North Entrance Old School Senior Center - \$2,448.00
 - Tree Lighting - \$700.00

NEW BUSINESS:

- Free 2025 Municipal Law Seminar – Mika Meyers – sign up
 - No Council members are able to participate.
- Pro-Tec – Community Activist to advocate for reimbursement for use Right of Ways – last billed \$39.50, current billing would be approx. \$57. Council decided not to participate

SPECIAL ORDERS (Motions) – N/A

We have come to the end of our agenda, there is no further business, I, Jerry Palinski, President Pro Tem, declare this meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at: 7:42 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council will be on Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Casnovia Village Office, 141 N. Main Street, Casnovia, Michigan.

Submitted,
Pam Manciu, Clerk