



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
 April 13, 2026**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

SERVICE SESSION:

Call to Order: President Pro Tem Palinski called the Service Session of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:09 pm.

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

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

The minutes reflect President Morris joined the meeting at 6:17pm, Member Frary joined the meeting at 6:24pm.

- Village future growth and development
- Vision Plan Reviewed and updated

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order: President Morris called the regular meeting of the Casnovia Village Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

Members and Officers Absent:

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Palinski, supported by Morris to approve meeting agenda with addition of discussion regarding Data Center Ordinance for May 11, 2026, Service Session meeting. Motion carried.

Visitors Comments: No visitors present

Opening Of Bids: Door lock and door repairs – Reviewed 1 complete and 1 updated bids, Reviewed 1 bid to install a hot air supply to the storage area behind the Village office. Work not to begin until FYE 2027

Monthly Meeting Minutes: Motion by Palinski supported by Kahrs to accept the regular monthly meeting minutes of March 9, 2026, as presented. Motion carried.

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

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

April Payables

Payroll	\$ 6,462.00
Administrative Fund	\$ 5,935.66
Hall Fund	\$ 305.00
Sewer Fund	\$ 2,675.19
Local Street Fund	\$ 432.68
Major Street Fund	\$ 34.18
Total	\$ 9,382.71

CLERK’S REPORT: Letters sent to Village residents who have unlicensed vehicles in yards. Request was made to send 2nd letter to resident who did not respond. Ordinance Review will begin

FYE2027 with review of an ordinance per month. A burn permit was obtained for the burning of brush at the Sewer Ponds following Tyrone Township Fire Department guidelines.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented Income/Expense Report. Requested final input for proposed FYE2027 budget. Discussed lawful and unlawful expenditures.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer – Kahrs, *committee chair*. No average influent report submitted. Samples were taken to the Lab Thursday April 9. Will perform discharge if they are ok. The average flow has increased to 72,000 gallons a day, the capacity is 56,000. The sewer and DPW staff will meet with the engineer Thursday. Has not received schedule from contractor to repair sewer pond gate damaged during CDBG project.

Building & Grounds – Kahrs, *committee chair*. No rentals in last month. The banners were put up. Received a quote to replace Hall kitchen and bath floors. Have requested quotes to replace the fascia and gutter on the North side of the Village office.

Streets – Morris – *committee chair*. – Potholes are being filled, flags have been put up.

Sidewalks – Palinski, *committee chair*. Will start measuring and reach out for bids for sidewalk repair within available budget. Have a small section of sidewalk that we will try to repair FYE2027

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

Code Enforcement – Bennitt, *committee chair*. Requested letter to non-responsive resident re unlicensed vehicle in yard.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Village employee evaluations and review, process, timelines, etc., Jerry and Connie to establish timeline
- 2026 Village elections
 - Those up for re-election in 2026
 - Consuelo Morris – President
 - Robert Bennitt – Trustee
 - Kenneth Frary – Trustee
- Data Center Construction and IT Infrastructure – will discuss at May meeting and will set Special meeting regarding the Ordinance.
- Sesquicentennial T-Shirts – will be sold at \$3.00 per shirt while supply lasts.
- Purchase of safety yellow T-shirts for continue to explore options.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Set May Special Meeting Date and Time
 - Property Tax Administration Fee.
 - Property Tax Millage Rate.
 - FYE2027 Budget approval.
- President to appoint FYE2027 President Pro- Tempore – **Jerry Palinski appointed President Pro- Tempore** – *This documentation was missing from original minutes highlighted information was missing – May 11, 2026.*
- May street sweeping is scheduled for the week prior to Memorial Day.
- Spring Storm Drain Cleaning Bids – Set Date for catch basin cleaning
- Approve Don Somerdyke as IMS Plumbing Inspector

SPECIAL ORDERS (Motions):

Vote Subject: Door Locks

Motion by Frary supported by Palinski to approve door locks and front door replacement to be completed by Boston Square Lock not to exceed \$840. Roll was taken and Motion carried.

Vote Subject: IMS Plumbing Inspector

Motion by Kahrs supported by Morris to set approval of Don Somerdyke as Plumbing Inspector for Imperial Municipal Services. Roll was taken and Motion carried.

We have come to the end of our agenda, there is no further business, I (council president) declare this meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Submitted: Pam Manciu, Clerk