

The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Regular Meeting Monday, October 24, 2011 in the conference room of the Village Hall, 7227 Huron Avenue, Lexington, MI 48450.

Regular Council Meeting Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Elva Mills

Pledge of Allegiance led by President Elva Mills

Roll call taken by Clerk, Beth Grohman.

Present: Schultz, Oldford, Stewart Ruffini, Muioio, Foerster, Mills

Absent:

Others present: Beth Grohman, Jon Kosht, Chief Jarosz, Cheryl Creagh and 7 citizens

Public comment:

Mary Ann Knoblauch- Wonderful job the DPW is doing picking up the leaves.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion by Foerster, seconded by Schultz to approve the agenda as addition of Kim Stencil to item C. Board Appointments

All Ayes

Motion carried

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

A. ABSENCE- No absences

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES– Motion by Ruffini, seconded by Schultz to approve the minutes from of from the Regular Council Meeting, September 26, and the Special Council Meeting September 29 2011.

All Ayes

Motion carried

C. BOARD APPOINTMENTS –

Motion by Foerster, seconded by Stewart to approve the appointment of Jeff Lincoln to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

All Ayes

Motion carried

Motion by Muoio, seconded by Foerster to approve the appointment of Kim Stencil to the Downtown Development Authority.

All Ayes

Motion carried

D. EQUIPMENT ACQUISTION–Presentation by Chief Jarosz – Chief’s Association, in which Jarosz and the Chief of Police from Croswell are part of a group that applied for a grant to help assist the officers with domestic violence, which is one of the most serious calls we respond to. The grant was for camera’s and the officers had to attend the training in order to be eligible for the grant. The Village received five cameras. Jarosz demonstrated how the cameras worked. Helpful for domestic assaults and traffic stops. Officers cannot change, destroy or delete.

Information can be download it to the computer Each video is saved up to 90 days. Has four hours of capacity. These cameras are legal in the court of law, as long as one person knows they are recorded. One camera will be installed in the car. Policy to be drafted for the use of the cameras. All officers have been trained on the cameras and attended the domestic workshop. Information can be download it to the computer.

E. FEE SCHEDULE –Motion by Oldford, seconded by Muoio to approve the fee schedule for 2012 as forwarded from the Committee of the Whole on October 11, 2011.

Discussion

All Ayes

Motion carried

F. CHRISTMAS HORSE PARADE - Motion by Foerster, seconded by Ruffini, to approve the Christmas Horse Parade to be held on December 10, 2011.

Discussion-

Kosht – Route has been approved by the Police Department

All Ayes

Motion carried

G. MASONIC LODGE PAYMENT- Motion by Muoio, seconded by Foerster to approve the payment of \$39,805.25 to Fidelity National Title for the purchase of the Masonic Lodge to be paid from the General Fund.

Roll Call

Ayes: Muoio, Foerster, Schultz, Oldford, Stewart, Ruffini, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

H. MML WORKSHOP – Information only – Kosht informed Council of MML workshop in Marlette November 15th for new appointed council members. \$70 per Council member wishing to attend.

I. FOUR CORNER COLLECTION –Motion by Schultz, seconded by Ruffini to approve the Four Corner Collection for the Lions Club Goodfellows Drive on November 25-26, 2011.

All Ayes

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

J. MARVIN CONTRACT – Motion by Muoio, to table the extension. Kosht recommended approving the extension, review the job description and organizational chart. Kosht will work with Stewart on the job description and organizational chart. Muoio withdraws previous motion. Motion by Muoio, seconded by Oldford to approve the extension of Tom Marvin's contract to June 2, 2012.

All Ayes

Motion carried

K. KOSHT CONTRACT EXTENSION – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Stewart to approve the extension of Jon Kosht's contract until November 1, 2012.

All Ayes

Motion carried

L. PART TIME POLICE OFFICERS WAGE INCREASE - Motion by Schultz, seconded by Foerster, to approve the wage increase for the part time officers to \$16 per hour as recommended by the Personnel Committee.

Roll Call

Ayes: Schultz, Foerster, Oldford, Stewart, Ruffini, Muoio, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

M. PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT –Motion by Schultz, seconded by Muoio to approve the exemption of non-union employees from the requirements of the "Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act" Senate Bill 6, for the period of the Operating Engineers Contract which expires 6/30/2014.

Roll Call

Ayes: Schultz, Muoio, Oldford, Stewart, Ruffini, Foerster, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

PARKS AND RECREATION

N. ICE RINK- Motion by Foerster, seconded by Ruffini to approve the expenditures not to exceed \$1000 for the ice rink construction at Tierney Park,

Roll Call

Ayes: Foerster, Ruffini, Schultz, Oldford, Stewart, Muoio, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

O. SPRING BOUNCER- Motion by Ruffini, seconded by Muoio, to approve the expenditures Of \$924 plus shipping for a "spring bouncer" for Tierney Park.

Roll Call

Ayes: Ruffini, Muoio, Schultz, Oldford, Stewart, Foerster, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

P. BENCH SWING – Motion by Schultz, seconded by Foerster, to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$450 for a bench swing to be placed at Lester Street Park.

Roll Call

Ayes: Schultz, Foerster, Oldford, Stewart, Ruffini, Muoio, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

Q. MEMORIAL BENCH – Motion by Ruffini, seconded by Foerster, to approve the expenditure of \$500 for cement slab for Memorial Bench at Tierney Park.

Discussion:

Mills – There is a map put together to where the benches are placed.

Kosht- The \$500 is for the cement for the placement of the bench and the sidewalk.

Roll Call

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Ayes: Ruffiini, Foerster, Schultz, Oldford, Stewart, Mills
Nays: None
Motion carried

LMMHP

R. RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTION – Motion by Foerster, seconded by Schultz, to approve the adoption of the Storage/Utility Sheds Rule to the MHP Rules and Regulations, to approve the amendments to the Beach Conduct and Pet Rules to the MHP Rules and Regulations.

Discussion-

Ruffini -Is there a clear definition of what a pet is. Maybe it should be defined in the rules what is considered a pet.

Creagh- No

All Ayes

Motion carried

CEMETERY BOARD

S. CEMETERY POLICY ADMENDMENTS – Motion by Foerster, seconded by Ruffini, to approve the amendments to the Cemetery Policies #703-05.

All Ayes

Motion carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Motion by Ruffini, seconded by Foerster to approve the check register and financial reports as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ruffini, Foerster, Schultz, Oldford, Stewart, Muoio, Mills

Nays: None

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE –

PUBLIC COMMENT -

Barb Slezinski – Comments on the FEMA program and the flooding issues on her property, will make an appointment with Lynn Laughlin to discuss this issue.

COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:

Muoio- Commented on the continuous criticism written in the Jeffersonian, would be refreshing to see the Village get some positive press. Also commented on the Master Plan.

Ruffini-Welcomed new council members and congratulated Elva Mills on her win for President

Also commented that she took Village pamphlets on her trip over seas and everyone was impressed with all the events for such a small village.
Mills- Commented on the Conference in Grand Rapids attended by herself and Foerster
Foerster – Commented on the experience at the conference, how people are very impressed with all the activities in the Village.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Stewart, seconded by Foerster to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.
All Ayes
Motion carred