

**Village of Decatur**  
**Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes**

Monday, September 13, 2021, at 7:00 P.M.  
Village Hall, 114 N. Phelps Street  
Decatur, MI 49045

**I. Call to order**

President Pro Tem Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**II. Roll Call**

Village Manager, Tapper provided roll call; Trustee Verran, Meade Jr, President Pro Tem Jackson, Benson, Gunther, and Pelfrey in attendance. President Elwaer excused. Also in attendance Village Manager, Christopher Tapper, Chief of Police Thomas VanDerWoude.

**III. Public Comments**

Let the record show several members in the audience were in attendance to discuss Village Ordinance 2019-003. Audience members included Dortha Pasley, David West, Greg Groover, Beth LaRue, and Dereck Beech. All comments received were concerns regarding the Rental Ordinance 2019-003.

**III. Approval of Agenda, Meeting Minutes, Accounts Payable**

Trustee Meade Jr made a motion with support from Trustee Verran to approve the agenda for September 13, 2021, along with approval of meeting minutes from August 30, 2021, and accounts payable in the amount of \$251,490.38, motion carried 6-0

**IV. New Business – Approval of Professional Services - MTech**

Trustee Verran made a motion with support from Trustee Pelfrey to approve the professional services quote from MTech as recommended by the Department of Public Works, for repairs and maintenance to Leaf Machine 2015 model #LCT600 at a cost not to exceed \$1,322.00 motion carried 6-0.

**V. New Business – Professional Services agreement – HS Fleet Services, LLC**

Trustee Meade Jr. made a motion with support from Trustee Gunter, to approve the professional services quote from HS Fleet Services, LLC as recommended by the Department of Public Works, for the necessary safety lighting and associated equipment to the newly purchased DPW service Truck as a cost not to exceed \$3,399.00 motion carried 6-0.

**VI. New Business – Professional Services agreement – Steensma Lawn & Power Equipment**

A general discussion ensued regarding the request from the Department of Public Works regarding the quote from Steensma Lawn & Power Equipment. The consensus of the Council was to review the prior discussion from DPW regarding the cost of this quote and to hear from the

DPW about the possibility of using equipment from the prior vehicle. The consensus of the Council was to approve the service quote from Steensma Lawn & Power Equipment but wanted to make sure the DPW did not have equipment available from another vehicle.

#### **VII. New Business – Professional Services agreement – Curcio Law Firm PLC**

Trustee Verran made a motion with support from Trustee Pelfrey to approve the professional services agreement between the Village of Decatur and Curcio Law Firm, PLC and authorize the Village President to execute the agreement. Roll Call: Verran, Meade Jr, President Pro Tem Jackson, Benson, Gunther, Pelfrey voting yes, motion carried 6-0.

#### **VIII. New Business – Professional Services agreement – BS&A Software**

Trustee Gunther made a motion with support from Trustee Benson to approve the professional services from BS&A Software, training, and education for additional staff resources at a cost not to exceed \$3,755.00 motion carried 6-0.

#### **IX. Department Reports**

Village Manager, Tapper provided informational reports submitted by the Department of Public Works, Police Department, Village Managers Office.

#### **X. Council Comments & Additional Public Comments**

Additional public comments were offered by Dortha Pasley. Pasley continued her discussion regarding the Rental Ordinance 2019-003 and ask the Council to consider additional information regarding the Ordinance. It was the consensus of the Council to request the Village Manager to research the Ordinance and bring back to Council the possibility of forming a committee to review the Ordinance. Village Manager, Tapper thanked the Council for the discussion and would review the Ordinance along with the policy of forming a committee.

#### **XI. Adjournment**

Trustee Verran made a motion with support from Meade Jr. to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 P.M.

Minutes submitted by: Christopher Tapper, Village Manager