

Village of Decatur
Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday October 3, 2022, at 7:00 P.M
Village Hall, 114 N. Phelps Street
Decatur, MI 49045

I. President Elwaer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

II. **Roll Call**

Clerk/Treasurer, Duncan provided roll call; Trustee Benson, Trustee Gunther, President Pro Tem Jackson (excused), Trustee Mead Jr, Trustee Pelfrey, Trustee Verran, and President Elwaer in attendance. Also in attendance Village Manager, Christopher Tapper, Village Clerk/Treasurer, Megan Duncan, Chief of Police Thomas VanDerWoude.

III. **Public Comments**

- a. Kali Marshall, Van Buren Conservation District, made public comment about Van Buren Recycle Roundup Collection in Lawrence at the ISD on October 15, 2022. Electronics and hazardous waste will be accepted. Dump Day 2023 was also discussed.

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

- a. Trustee Verran made a motion with support from Trustee Mead Jr to approve the agenda for October 3, 2022, along with approval of meeting minutes from September 6, 2022, and accounts payable ending September 31, 2022, in the amount of \$180,351.39, motion carried 6-0.

V. **Communications to the Council – Presentation & Guest**

- a. There were no scheduled presentations or guests.

VI. **Public Hearing**

- a. Trustee Verran made a motion with support from Trustee Benson to close the regular session and to re-enter into a Public Hearing, postponed from September 6, 2022, at 7:05 PM, motion carried 6-0.
- b. No public comment was given.
- c. Trustee Verran made a motion with the support from Trustee Mead Jr to close the Public Hearing and enter back into Regular Council Meeting, motion carried 6-0, at 7:12 PM.
- d. Trustee Verran made a motion with support from Trustee Mead Jr. to adopt Resolution 2022-007, Special Assessment Roll for Fire Protection and Quick Response. Roll call

vote, Trustee Benson, Trustee Gunther, Trustee Mead Jr., Trustee Pelfrey, Trustee Verran, and President Elwaer, all voting yes, motion carried 6-0.

VII. Unfinished Business

- a. No unfinished business currently.

VIII. New Business – Request to approve quote from Michigan CAT for replacement equipment

- a. Trustee Gunther made a motion with the support from Trustee Mead Jr., to approve quote from Michigan CAT for replacement equipment, motion carried 6-0.

IX. New Business – Request to approve report from Van Buren County Road Commission Paser Rating 2022

Trustee Verran made a motion with the support from Trustee Verran to approve report from Van Buren County Road Commission Paser Rating 2022, motion carried 6-0.

X. New Business - Request to approve bid for fall 2022 tree removal

- a. Trustee Mead Jr. made a motion with support from Trustee Verran to approve option 2 bid for fall 2022 tree removal, motion carried 6-0.

X. New Business –Request to approve Halloween 2022 Events

- a. Trustee Verran made a motion with the support from Trustee Benson to approve Halloween 2022 Events, motion carried 6-0.

XI. New Business – Request to approve recommendation from Planning Commission, Zoning Ordinance, Care Homes

- a. Trustee Mead Jr. made a motion with the support from Trustee Pelfrey to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission, Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Care Homes. Roll call vote: Trustee Benson, Trustee Gunther, Trustee Mead Jr., Trustee Pelfrey, Trustee Verran, and President Elwaer, all voting yes, motion carried 6-0.

XII. New Business – Request to approve recommendation from Planning Commission, Zoning Ordinance, Signage

- a. Trustee Verran made a motion with the support from Trustee Mead Jr to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission, Zoning Ordinance, Signage. Roll call

vote: Trustee Benson, Trustee Gunther, Trustee Mead Jr., Trustee Pelfrey, Trustee Verran, and President Elwaer, all voting yes, motion carried 6-0.

XIII. New Business - Request to approve Village Manager Contract Extension

- a. All agreed to postpone the topic until after Budget Committee meeting.

XIII. Department Reports

- a. Clerk/Treasurer Duncan and Chief of Police, Thomas VanDerWoude, provided Department Reports to the Council. Each department report was provided in the agenda packet. A general discussion ensued regarding the department reports.

XIV. Public Comments

- a. No public comment given.

XV. Council Comments & Additional Public Comments

- a. President Elwaer, Trustee Verran, and Trustee Mead Jr. thanked all departments for their continuous efforts on making sure the Village and its residents are taken care of.

XVI. Adjournment

- a. Trustee Mead Jr. made a motion with the support of Trustee Verran to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 P.M., motion carried 6-0. Minutes submitted by Megan Duncan, Village Clerk/Treasurer.