

Village of Pentwater

ON PENTWATER LAKE AND LAKE MICHIGAN
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Regular Meeting COUNCIL MINUTES January 9, 2017

Call to Order - President Jeff Hodges called the regular meeting of the Pentwater Village Council to order at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall in the community room.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call - Present: Jared Griffis, Dan Nugent, Bill Maxwell, Don Palmer, Angell-Powell and Jeff Hodges. Absent: April Watkins.

Staff present: Village Manager Rob Allard, Clerk/Treasurer Colleen Moser, Police Chief Laude Hartrum, Deputy Clerk Barb Siok, Fire Chief Terry Cluchey and Village Attorney Brian Monton.

Approval of the Agenda - *Motion* by Maxwell supported by Angell-Powell to approve the agenda. Voice vote. AYES: 6 NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Agenda approved.

Consent Agenda- Approval of Village Council minutes from the regular meeting held on December 12, 2016. Regular Village bill approval of \$61,540.04. Fire Department bill approval of \$1,142.40.

Approval of the use of Village Property: Sue Bainton/Robert Mitchell request use of the Village green for a Wedding to be held on July 30, 2017.

Claudia Ressel-Hodan, Psy.D. would like to use the Village Green gazebo to play the movie "Breaking Away", rated PG, on June 9, July 14 and Aug. 18 at twilight, approximately 9:00 p.m. in order to raise funds for the Pentwater-Hart Bike Trail.

Motion by Palmer, second by Griffis to approve the consent agenda items. Roll call vote. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Consent agenda items approved.

VILLAGE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Reports are in meeting packet and posted on www.pentwatervillage.org.

Village Manager -See report.

Police Chief -See report.

Fire Chief - See meeting minutes.

Zoning Administrator - See report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee meeting minutes are provided if received in time for the packet.

Building and Grounds Committee - Maxwell reported on the January 5th meeting, see minutes.

Finance Committee - Griffis stated that the next meeting would be on January 13, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Ordinance Committee. – Nugent reported on January 3, to discuss a change to the Planning Ordinance and to rescind the DAC Ordinance. The recommendations of the committee would be discussed later in the meeting under New Business.

Personnel Committee- No meeting, no report.

Promotions Committee – See meeting minutes. Maxwell reported, that the Sesquicentennial kick off dinner would be held on March 16, 2017 at the Friendship Center. Tickets for the dinner are \$18.67 per person and can be purchased at Village Hall. Payment for tickets must be by check or money order only.

Services Committee- Palmer stated that the next meeting would be on January 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

VILLAGE COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

Planning Commission- Next meeting on January 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

ZBA- No meeting. Mike Caster said there is a need for people to be on the ZBA. Those interested should contact the Village President by email: president@pentwatervillage.org.

DDA – Dr. Claudia Ressel-Hodan reported on DDA meeting from December 14th. See meeting minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Fire Dept. Elections.

Motion by Maxwell, second by Angell-Powell to approve the Fire Department Elections; Paul Smith as Assistant Fire Chief, Ray Hassel as Secretary, and Chris Gebhart as Caretaker. Voice vote. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Motion approved.

Appointment of Crystal Babbin to the DDA, Term Ex. 1-1-20.

Motion by Palmer, second by Nugent to approve the appointment of Chrystal Babbin. Voice vote. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Appointment approved.

16-17 Budget Amendment for Marina.

Motion by Palmer, second by Griffis to approve the 16-17 budget amendment resolution for the marina fund. Roll call vote AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Motion approved.

Rescind Village Ordinance Section 33.50, Design Advisory Committee (DAC).

Motion was made by Maxwell, second by Angell-Powell to rescind Village Ordinance Section 33.50. Nugent stated that the DAC had not met in over a year and the ordinance is repetitive of the Zoning Ordinance. Hodges stated that the ordinance has no consequences for violation, is one more hurdle for business owners to improve their frontage. Village

Ordinance Section 33.50 will be considered rescinded upon date of publication. Roll call vote AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Motion approved.

Change to Village Ordinance Section 150.02 Number Planning Commission Members.

The change would allow one councilor to be on both, the Planning Commission and on the Zoning Board of Appeals, with whom could be the same councilor, by adding ‘and/or’ to the third sentence of section 150.02 as follows:

*“Members appointed to the Commission shall hold no other municipal office, except that one of the appointed members may be a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, a joint administrative fire board, **and/or** the Village Council.”*

Village attorney recommended that the Village remove the third sentence of section 150.02 and membership would then be according to the Enabling Act that allows up to one-third of planning commission members to come from council, therefore the seven-member commission could have up to two members of Council allowed to be on Planning commission.

Nugent stated that the recommendation from committee was to change to the sentence order to allow one member to be on the planning commission. Palmer stated that the committee would need to meet again in order to change the committee’s recommendation.

Motion was made by Maxwell, second by Angell-Powell to change section 150.02 to change the third sentence to allow one member of Council to be on the Planning commission and/or ZBA. The amendment to section 150.02 will become effective on date of publication. Roll call vote. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Motion approved.

Accept Resignation of Councilor April Watkins.

Motion made by Griffis second by Palmer to accept April Watkin’s resignation with regret. Voice vote. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. ABSENT: 1-Watkins. Motion approved.

Nominations for Village Council. President Hodges opened the nominations to fill the council vacancy with a term expiring on November 2018. Hodges nominated Pam Burdick as she had the next highest number of votes to be on council at the November 2016 election. Hodges stated that he had confirmed with Pam Burdick that she was interested in being appointed as councilor.

Motion by President Hodges, second by Angell-Powell to appoint Pam Burdick to the office of Village Council with a term expiring November 2018. Roll call vote. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0. Motion approved.

Adjournment - Hodges asked for a motion to adjourn. *Motion* by Palmer, second by Maxwell. Voice vote. AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 Motion approved.

President Hodges adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Moser, Clerk/Treasurer

Date