

Village of Pentwater

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Regular Meeting of Village Council MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 10, 2022 PARK PLACE 310 NORTH RUSH STREET

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Jeff Hodges called the regular meeting of the Pentwater Village Council to order at 6:00 pm. from Park Place Meeting Center at 310 North Rush Street.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Michelle Angell-Powell, Dave Bluhm, Jared Griffis, Dan Nugent, Don Palmer, Claudia Ressel-Hodan and Jeff Hodges.

Absent: None.

Also, present: Village Manager Chris Brown, Clerk/Treasurer Rande Listerman, Chief Laude Hartrum, & Zoning Administrator/Rec Director Kate Anderson.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – On the agenda

Ron Beeber, 605 E Sixth Street-Ron is representing the four other docents for the History Cruise and would like to express their thanks to the Village of Pentwater for supporting the Water Taxi being used for the History Cruises.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Hodges requested an approval of the agenda. *Motion* Palmer supported by Griffis to approve the agenda as presented.

VOICE VOTE: YES: 7 NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0.

Motion approved 7 - 0.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: Regular Council Meeting on September 12, 2022.
- B. Disbursements Village: Accounts Payable -\$797,411.72; Payroll - \$104,261.02.
- C. Disbursements from Township: Fire Department – \$68,201.26.
- D. Commission & Board Reports: Planning Commission.
- E. Requests for Village Property use:
None.

Motion by Ressel-Hodan second by Griffis to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges.

NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Consent agenda items approved 7 - 0.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Comments from the President.

Happy Columbus Day.

B. Proclamation for the 2022 Citizens of the Year.

President Hodges congratulated Amy LaBarge and Ron Beeber as the 2022 Pentwater Citizens of the year. President Hodges reread the Proclamations that were given to Amy and Ron at the Citizen of the Year dinner on September 30th and thanked them for the many contributions made to the community.

VIII. CORESPONDENCE

- All correspondence directed to the Village Clerk is received and filed and emailed on to the Village Council.

The following citizens sent correspondence to the Village Clerk for the Village Council.

A. Cathy Zenz.

IX. CLOSED SESSION

A. Meet with Village Attorney regarding Litigation.

Motion by Palmer, supported by Griffis to go into Closed Session to meet with the Village Attorney Brian Monton regarding litigation. Attendees will also include Village Manager Chris Brown and Clerk/Treasurer Rande Listerman.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Recused Angell-Powell. Motion approved 6 - 0 - 1.

Open the meeting at 6:10 P.M. Closed the meeting at 7:17 P.M.

Motion by Bluhm, supported by Ressel-Hodan to return to the regular meeting

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges.

NAYS: 0. ABSENT: Angell-Powell Recused. Motion approved 6 - 0 - 1.

X. VILLAGE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

A. Village Manager - Report submitted in writing. Bruce Koorndyk presented a check for \$1000 from the Sportfishing Association for the Fish Cleaning Station.

B. Clerk/Treasurer - Report submitted in writing.

Motion by Ressel-Hodan, supported by Griffis to receive the September 2022 financials as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges.

NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.

C. Police Chief – Report submitted in writing.

- D. Fire Chief – Report submitted in writing.
- E. Zoning Administrator – Report submitted in writing.
- F. Rec Director – Report submitted in writing.

XI. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Building & Grounds – Report submitted in writing.
- B. Finances – Report submitted in writing.
- C. Ordinances – Report submitted in writing.
- D. Personnel – No meeting, no report.
- E. Planning/Economic Development – Report submitted in writing.
- F. Services – Report submitted in writing.

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Utility Service Agreement with Pentwater Township.
Village Manager Chris Brown stated that Pentwater Township is reviewing a draft of the agreement.

XVI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. DPW Pickup Truck:
Motion by Ressel-Hodan, supported by Griffis to approve the Village Manager Chris Brown starting the process of purchasing a new Department of Public Works pickup truck not to exceed \$43,000.
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.
- B. Appointment to the City Feasibility Study Committee:
President Hodges appointed Mary Marshall to the City Feasibility Study Committee.
- C. Discussion of Short-Term Rental Moratorium:
The Ordinance Committee requested the Village Council consider raising the cap on the moratorium from 67 to 125. They also asked President Hodges to consider appointing a committee to do a study on the effects of the short-term rentals industry in Pentwater.

Motion by Nugent, supported by Angell-Powell to raise the cap on the Short-Term Rental Moratorium from 67 permits to 125 permits.
Discussion was held.
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm and Nugent NAYS: Griffis, Palmer,

Ressel-Hodan, and Hodges. ABSENT: 0. Motion failed 3 - 4.

President Hodges will address appointing a committee to review the Short-Term Rentals Ordinance.

D. Amendment to Remote Meetings Policy:

Motion by Nugent, supported by Angell-Powell to approve having Village Attorney Brian Monton work with the Village Manager and Village Clerk/Treasurer to update the Remote Meeting Policy to allow Public Comments.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges.

NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.

E. Water Taxi Season Fee:

Motion by Nugent, supported by Angell-Powell to approve a seasonal fee of \$600 for use of the Water Taxi by the Captain.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.

F. Proposal from Fleis and Vandenbrink for Sewer EQ Basin:

Motion by Palmer, supported by Bluhm to approve the proposal from Fleis and Vandenbrink for the Clean Water Plant Equalization Basin Feasibility Study in the amount of \$14,200.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.

G. Resolution No. 2022-10-17 State High Water Infrastructure Grant Program:

Motion by Bluhm, supported by Nugent to approve Resolution No. 2022-10-17 State High Water Infrastructure Grant Program.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.

H. Resolution No. 2022-10-18 2nd Quarter Budget Amendments:

Motion by Griffis, supported by Palmer to approve Resolution No. 2022-10-18 2nd Quarter Budget Amendments as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Angell Powell, Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan, Palmer and Hodges. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 7 - 0.

XVII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Superintendent Scott Karaptian shared information regarding the Pentwater School Bond Issue on the November ballot .

Proposal No. 1 Renovate existing facilities & track reconstruction. 1.59 mills in the 1st year.

Proposal No. 2 Construct a new gymnasium & multi-purpose facility. 2.55 mills in the 1st year.

There are two Proposals on the ballot. You may vote for Proposal No. 1 or Proposal No. 2 or Both Proposal No. 1 & No. 2. Pentwater Schools has a fact sheet available, and they have scheduled tour dates of the facilities.

Peter Rexford, 801 E Lake Street – stated his first family members came to Pentwater in 1908. He started coming to Pentwater in 1958. He has renters in his cottage, and he applied for the Short-Term Rental Permit. He did not know he had to renew each year. He would like to see a reminder sent out for renewal of the permit. Also, please make Closed Sessions at the end of the meeting for those in attendance.

Amy LaBarge 606 East First Street – On behalf of Ron and herself Amy would like to thank President Hodges and the Council for the honor of the Proclamation as the 2022 Citizens of the Year. Amy also, thanked the Council for addressing the policy for Public Comments during an electronic meeting.

XVIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Trustee Don Palmer – Go Vote and Happy Halloween.

Trustee Dan Nugent – Thank you Pentwater Schools for the fact-based information.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

President Jeff Hodges adjourned the meeting 8:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rande Listerman, MiCPT, CPFA, CPFIM, MiPMC
Clerk/Treasurer

Date