

Village of Byron
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:29pm by President Rauch

President led Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – Present: Brunell, Cole, Franks, Musall, Prestonise, Rauch. Absent: Root

Cole moved, Brunell seconded to approve the Revised Agenda as presented. All Ayes. Approved.

Root arrived at 7:30pm.

Cole moved, Root seconded to approve the RM Minutes of 7-9-12 and SM Minutes of 7-19-12. All Ayes. Approved.

Treasurer Report – Total CD \$300,000; Total Checking \$563,614.37; Total Savings \$335,378.49; Total Funds \$1,198,992.86. Accepted as presented pending audit.

Cole moved, Musall seconded to pay the bills as presented totaling \$78,585.28; checks #22343 – 22395, EFT 7 & EFT 8. Roll Call – Ayes: Brunell, Cole, Franks, Musall, Prestonise, Rauch, Root. Approved 7-0

New Business

Valero Project – Root moved, Musall seconded to approve the findings of the Village Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals to allow the Valero improvements as presented.

Roll Call – Ayes: Brunell, Cole, Franks, Musall, Prestonise, Rauch, Root. Approved 7-0.

Byron Chamber Bridge Walk – Musall moved, Root seconded to approve the Event Permit for Byron Chamber of Commerce Labor Day Bridge Walk on 9-3-12 beginning at 9am. All Ayes. Approved

1995 F250 Ford Truck Sale Bids – Musall moved, Franks seconded to place an ad for sale of 1995 Ford F250 to be sold by bid “As Is” with purchaser to sign a separate release prepared by Attorney Bridges. Roll Call – Ayes: Cole, Franks, Musall, Rauch. Nays: Brunell, Prestonise, Root. Approved 4-3.

Old Business

Tree Removal – Discussion found no urgent needs to address. Franks recommended waiting to winter when tree structure fully visible. Possible to reallocate funds to sidewalks where higher needs exist. Need bid specification sheet and bids for next meeting.

Committee Reports

DPW – Supervisor Granger presented report. Discussion of sewage treatment ponds. Work continues to address DEQ permit requirements but more work needed to solve phosphorus reduction. Solar bees purchase will help keep ice off in winter and aid in mixing, but not effective delivery system for chemical feed. May use tank sprayer system, possibly keeping old DPW truck, if repaired, to use at settling ponds.

Requested purchase of tool box and tailgate protector totaling \$802. Discussion of spray in bed liner. If spray in bed liner approved, there would be no need for tail gate protector. Musall moved, Root seconded to approve spray in bed liner at a cost not to exceed \$800 and for purchase of tool box of \$762.00 from Auto Crafters. Roll Call – Ayes: Brunell, Cole, Franks, Musall, Prestonise, Rauch, Root. Approved 7-0

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Discussed ATV paths accessing drive to settling ponds. Discussion on best approach to addressing. Police matter or send letter. No action taken.

Root moved, Cole seconded to approve emergency repair of sewer discovered during inspection near Elementary School by C&H Construction totaling \$4,565.45. Roll Call – Ayes: Brunell, Cole, Franks, Musall, Prestonise, Rauch, Root. Approved 7-0

Cemetery – Sexton Granger to get repair estimate for North fence damage.

Water/Sewer – President noted recent ban was placed to control usage. Ban lifted per order of the President. Committee to meet 8-22-12 @ 7pm to review completed water/sewer rate study, to be headed by Musall with input from Rauch and Brunell.

Police – Report presented by Chief Sampey. For July there were 17 complaints, 35 stops, 7 citations, 25 verbal warnings and 3 stops resulting in arrest; patrol vehicle logged 837 miles. Requested authorization to have exhaust leak inspected/repared. Musall suggested meeting with Root and making arrangements.

Finance –

Streets –

Zoning – Commission not meeting until October. President read highlights of attorney Bridges letter stating Village has no legal interest in disputed funds raised by Byron Downtown Project and that under Michigan Law the Village is not legally entitled to said funds.

Public Comments

Ken Beard presented information on car show. Requested streets blocked from 8am-3pm on 9-15-12. Musall moved, Root seconded to approve parade/event permit for 9-15-12 for the purpose of holding the car show. All Ayes. Approved.

County Commissioner Gerald Cole spoke of recent passage of MSU/4H funding. Monthly meetings have begun. Equalization director may become a contracted position.

Council Comments

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.