

Village of Byron  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
July 14, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Musall

President led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call-Present: Bessenbacher, Brunell, Cole, Miller, Musall, Two Seats vacant

Other Present: Anthony Prestoniese, Mike Scanell, Amy Hamilton, Robert Rickman, Commisiner Bob McClearan, Jeremy Root, Beverly Miller and Rob Vandermark

Approval of Agenda: -Cole moved, Miller second to approve.-voice vote; all ayes,0 nays, 2 vacant, motion carried.

Approval of minutes-Brunell noted that the minutes in the council packets were missing PG 2 of what was submitted and signed by the Village President in June. Bessenbacher moved, She would research and report later. Miller second to approve the minutes as presented and to amend at the next meeting; voice vote; all ayes,0 nays, 2 vacant, motion carried.

Treasurers report: was read by Line item summary-Chemical Bank CD \$307,860.53; DDA \$19,709.09; General Chase Checking \$622,416.18; Sewer Cash- Savings \$211,297.99; Chase Savings \$211,297.99 with total funds \$1,161,283.79. Accepted as read pending audit.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES-Bessenbacher moved, Cole second to pay the May 2014 expenditures including checks 23488-23542 with DDA checks 1001-1004 and EFT 31 totaling \$27,694.05. Roll call; Ayes-Bessenbacher, Brunell, Cole, Miller Musal. Nays-0. 2 vacant. motion carried

SPICER GROUP- was put on hold for another time

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Clerk Postion-3 resumes had been received, and interviews will be schedule ASAP
- CODE ENFORCEMENT-Brunell noted that after discussing it with the treasurer and investigating on how other municipalities charged for this type of thing, it was her conclusion that we should charge \$75.00 for the first hour, with \$40.00 each additional hour after(rounded up to full hour), she also noted that this job should be given to Matt Misner, since Mike is very busy with DPW issues. Bessenbacher moved, Brunell second, Roll call; Ayes-Bessenbacher, Brunell, Cole, Miller Musal. Nays-0. 2 vacant. motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS(*moved forward to accommodate anyone not interested in staying for the entire Village meeting*)

1. Mike Scannell-Red Mill owner gave a short history of the building, it was a manufacturing business and it was up for sale at this time, offered it to the village for \$25,000.00, wants it to stay in the village hands because of its Historical ties.
2. Amy and Justin Hamilton-Property on Ann street (Washington/Warren), problem with flooding because of rock wall built by neighbor, Musall to discuss with drain commissioner. Wants a letter drafted by Atty. Bridges stating that it is illegal to hold back drain water.
3. Rick Rickman-inquired about fence permit, requested a copy of ordinance, and permits needed, corner property.
4. Commissioner McCleran-discussed the need for Headlee override due to the decline of property values.
5. Bev Miller-reported that the 190<sup>th</sup> celebration was a huge success, the parade was great and the entire weekend went over without incident.

6. Anthony Prestoniese-minutes not posted for June, mowing ordinance, noise ordinance, fireworks, schedule of fees, and that the village backhoe should not have kids riding in it during DPW hours.

DPW—report accepted as presented

Discussion items:

1. Suggested that the Ford pick-up be placed out for bid and be sold
2. Contact to DEQ-no response
3. Bessenbacher asked why Mike was working on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> and was it necessary
4. Cole asked about the Flag in front of municipal building not secured properly.
5. Bessenbacher requested that cemetery forms be poured monthly

POLICE-No report given-Chief Sampey did not attend meeting

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Office Laptop Repair/Replacement and adding server-was discussed to bid out and check out other suppliers for cost effective prices.  
Michigan Rural Water Assoc. Membership-Cole motioned, Miller second to renew the village membership with MRWA in the amount of \$280.00.  
Roll call; Ayes-Bessenbacher, Brunell, Cole, Miller Musal. Nays-0. 2 vacant. motion carried

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Cemetary-Bessenbacher asked if we could work on getting cemetary books in the possession of the village office, so that she could begin to enter data into the BSA software.
2. DDA-report was submitted regarding the last meeting and accepted.
  - i. Rob Vandermark reported the Entertainment tent was a success,
  - ii. expecting to have TIP to council by September, River Charette was to be
  - iii. held on July 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7PM at the BAS café.
3. Planning/Zoning-update on Valero building was given. Mr. Hasen is set to break ground as soon as his plans are accepted. Meeting may be needed to be scheduled.
4. Police-committee met on July 9<sup>th</sup>, have received none of the requested items from June meeting. It was noted by Brunell that she had met with the chief personally to begin communication with him. Next committee meeting is scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup>.
5. Handbook-Miller stated that the committee felt that the handbook remains as written, council members agreed.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

1. Cole-noted that the RED MILL purchase for \$25,000.00 was a good deal and she supported it, Musal noted that the renovations on the building would be in excess and might be a great opportunity for the DDA to explore. Might even have the possibility of receiving grants to upgrade to code.
2. Bessenbacher-none.
3. Miller-none
4. Brunell- It was decided that the Police car begin to remain parked outside of garage in the back lot og Municipal building and that Kit and Mike would begin working on remodel of garage for office space.
5. Musall-spoke to Jeff Perrin regarding the seeding of the Tower property would be at an additional cost of \$1890.00. No action taken

MOVE TO ADJOURN-moved by Brunell, second by Bessenbacher,  
President Musall adjourned the meeting at 8:50

*Kit Brunell 7/20/14*  
Kit Brunell-Temp. Village clerk

*Richard Musall*  
Rick Musall-Village President