

Village of Byron
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2016

Meeting called to order at: 7:00 pm by President Prestonise

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: President Prestonise

Roll Call – Present: Miller, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr and Prestonise

Approval of Agenda: Berecz motioned to approve the agenda as written; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Miller and Prestonise; No Nays - Passed.

Approval of Minutes: Miller motioned to approve the Minutes for November 14, 2016 as written; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

Public Comments – Agenda Items: None

Treasurers Report – Ketchum read report. Report to stand pending audit: Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Miller and Prestonise; No Nays - Passed.

Approval of Bills –Bessenbacher motioned to approve the bills with checks 24792-24806 totaling \$6,512.09 subtracted (approved in November) and checks 24774-24791, 24807 - 24828 totaling \$21,636.89; seconded by Miller. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed. Prestonise explained the Miss Dig invoice and Miller motioned to pay the Miss Dig invoice for \$588.85: seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

Bills Awaiting Approval – None

President’s Communications: None

Streets Committee: Miller went over the streets report which covered: resurfacing Lehring road, Act 51 funds, Safe Routes to School, gravel to raise shoulders and a 5 year plan for roads.

Personnel Committee: Berecz explained the personnel report which covered: snow removal, sidewalk snow removal, equipment, paid lunch for Warren and Bretzloff assisting with snow removal. Prestonise talked about lunches and time clock located at DPW and Gormley will adjust resolution to reflect DPW break and time clock use. Prestonise said sidewalks on bridges only. Berecz gave cost of equipment: blade for John Deere \$2000.00, new snow blower for John Deere \$2,700.00 and for the Ford tractor a custom blade (built and installed) \$1,200.00. Discussion on sidewalk snow removal took place and Prestonise said stick with backhoe blade to clean bridge sidewalks. Miller motioned for warren to receive training on use of belly blade; seconded by Berecz. Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Miller and Prestonise; No Nays - Passed. Berecz will set up schedule for training and then asked if we were going with ordinance on removable of snow by property owners and enforce it. He then asked if fell who would be responsible and Gormley said property owner. Berecz motioned to have dumpster

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move back to original placement at least for winter; seconded by Miller. Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berez, Orr, Miller and Prestonise; No Nays - Passed.

Police Report: Berez read the police report and said contact clerk with any issues and she will inform me and then I will contact Chief Hartz.

DPW Report: Prestonise read the DPW report and Berez explained about the transmission service done on dump truck: no oil in hydraulic system and corrected shifting problem. He said no road repair done. Discussion took place on DPW supply budget and Gormley suggested increasing President spending amount to a \$1000.00 and Warren will contact President for approval. Berez motioned to increase President spending to \$1000.00 per month and Warren will get spending approval from President; seconded by Miller. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berez, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

A break was taken at 7:52 pm and ended at 7:59 pm.

Prestonise explained the Washington Street pump seal failure. Berez suggested buying a new one. Reed explained the breakdown of charges and Gormley suggested giving Prestonise a \$2000.00 pump repair authorization. Miller motioned to give Prestonise up to \$2000.00 for Washington Street pump repair; seconded by Berez. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berez, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

DDA: R. Vandemark said they had meeting with Safe Routes to School and they can get \$200,000.00 for each school for sidewalks. He said it does not cover engineer. He also talked about TAP grant which is a matching grant and they are trying for Safe Routes in May. Budget will be worked on at December DDA meeting.

Commissioner Report: Root said last month of current board. They have had budget talks and talked about what they were doing with funds. He said first full year of drug court and started with 11. The 11 are still meeting all requirements. Cameras up and running and he also talked about needs of board. Had a group approach about wind turbines and they are currently looking at properties. Ketchum asked questions and Root answered.

Old Business: A) Presentation of Audit Quotes: Prestonise introduced Ken Berthiaume. Berthiaume explained that they are CPA firm located in Saginaw and gave audit proposal of \$5,900.00. He went on to explain that they do about 75 government accounts and 25 non-profit accounts. He also said the best software in the state to use is the BS&A, which the Village uses. Reed explained Gerry Terry consulting and Berthiaume said excellent idea. Berez asked questions which both Reed and Berthiaume answered. Orr motioned to hire Berthiaume for 2016-2017 audits; seconded by Bessenbacher Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berez, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

New Business - A) Public Hearing: Prestonise opened the public hearing in regards to the DDA ordinance amendment at 8:32 pm. Gormley explained the process and what needed to be done. Public Hearing closed at 8:36 pm. Miller motioned to adopt the ordinance to amend DDA ordinance No. 2013-2 to change the DDA District; seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berez, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed. Motion by Bessenbacher to adopt the ordinance to Approve Amendments to the Village of Byron's DDA's Tax Increment Finance and Development Plan; seconded by Miller. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berez, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed. Berez

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motioned to approve the ordinance to Appoint the Village of Byron DDA as the Planning Commission; seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

B) Trustee Positions: Prestonise explained letter from Linda Chapman and nominated her for trustee. Bessenbacher motioned to approve nomination of Linda Chapman as trustee; seconded by Berecz. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

C) Personnel Resolution: Prestonise explained the resolution and if a request for day off or vacation came up do we need to change resolution and Gormley said that it is an executive function and President can approve. Don't change resolution.

D) Utilities: Childers can be handled internal. Water hook up fee: Gormley will look up resolution that was passed that should contain the fees.

E) Event Permit: Prestonise explained that the permit was from Rock Church and they want to pass out door hangers for Christmas on December 17, 2016. Bessenbacher motioned to approve the permit for door hangers on December 17, 2016; seconded by Miller. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

Any Other Business from Council /Comments: None

Public Comments: B. Miller asked if the North side of the Masonic Lodge was supposed to be plowed as part of the Village and Council said it would be done. D. Christopher asked about his permit and Reed explained the permit and that DDA is now the Planning Commission. Gormley also explained the permit and we are under the old zoning. Christopher had questions about parking for warehouse or retail and Berecz asked if he has sales tax license and Christopher said yes. Berecz said it would be retail. Gormley said variances could be done using site plan. Gormley will contact AGS. Rob Vandemark asked to have Tammy Streeter nominated for open seat on the DDA. Prestonise nominated her; Berecz seconded. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed. Miller asked if we have the right to add to DDA board and Gormley explained that it will need a public hearing.

Items For Next Agenda: Act 51 for engineering in regards to Safe Routes to School.


Meeting adjourned at: Motion to adjourn at 9:12 pm by Bessenbacher; seconded by Miller. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.



Marsha Reed, Clerk



Approval Date



Tony Prestonise, President