

Village of Byron  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
January 9, 2017

**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, Chapman and Prestonise. After sworn in Campbell joined council. Campbell sworn in at 7:59 pm and joined meeting.

**Approval of Agenda:** Prestonise asked to add Burns Fire Chief to agenda letter G New Business and Miller motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of letter G in New Business; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Miller, Chapman and Prestonise; No Nays - Passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** Bessenbacher motioned to approve the Minutes for December 12, 2016 as written; seconded by Miller. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

**Public Comments – Agenda Items:** None

**Treasurers Report** – Ketchum read report. Motion by Orr to accept report to pending audit; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Miller, Chapman and Prestonise; No Nays - Passed.

**Approval of Bills** –Bessenbacher motioned to approve the bills with checks 24829-24849, voided check 24850 and checks 24851 – 24871 totaling \$27,367.85.; seconded by Miller. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed. Prestonise asked about the Holtslander invoice and Reed explained. Berecz asked about check 24842, bridge inspection and check 24865 ACE invoice with note saying went to Bancroft. Reed and Ketchum explained.

**Bills Awaiting Approval** – Berecz motioned to pay the blue folder invoices, totaling \$1,384.61and seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

**Finance Committee:** Bessenbacher read the minutes for finance meeting which covered the budget.

**Police Report:** Berecz read the amended police report.

**DPW Report:** Berecz read the DOW report and went over the items of shop vac, cold patch/limestone, business cards and Clark fire extinguisher inspection. Berecz said he will be Miss Dig certified by the end of January and that he had asked Reed to contact Kennedy for quote on inspection for a lift station. Prestonise said that Warren wants to go to school for water treatment classes and the cost would be \$870.00. Council agreed to drop it and stay with HES. Prestonise asked if we want to get cold patch and limestone. Some questions were asked and answered. Council tabled until March. Berecz said the phone and answering machine are working in the DPW. Discussion took place on ACE Hardware of Linden and Durand. Fire extinguisher inspection was discussed and Miller motioned to have inspection done, not to

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exceed \$150.00. Reed will also contact one located in Fowlerville; seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed. Prestonise went on to say that toner was needed for DPW printer and Reed had gotten quotes for it. Miller motioned for Reed to order a toner not to exceed \$105.00; seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. No Nays - Passed.

**DDA:** R. Vandemark talked about new map and will email Reed digital copy. He said they had a special meeting for amending and setting their budget and that SRTS still in progress.

**Commissioner Report:** Root said they did some reorganization last week and meetings moved to 5 pm and invited the council to attend the meetings. DTE has new contractor and the wind ordinance went into effect in December. He also told council that he was elected as the Board Chairman. Council congratulated him on his appointment.

**Old Business: A) Trustee Positions:** Prestonise said that Bob Campbell submitted a letter for the open seat on the council. Orr motioned to appoint Bob Campbell to the open trustee seat; seconded by Miller. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. Nays: None - Passed.

**B) Handbook Resolution:** Prestonise explained the changes to DPW and Gormley explained the changes to the Treasurer Hours and personal property of persons who quit or are terminated. Miller motioned to accept the Resolution Amending Village of Byron Handbook and Modifying Hours for Village Employees; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

**New Business - G) Burns Township Fire Chief:** Prestonise turned floor over to Fire Chief W. Prestonise. Chief explained that Warren was part of the fire department and would like to know how council wants it handled when he is called out for a daytime fire. Gormley explained what should happen, punch out and punch back in. Prestonise said common sense needs to be used and Orr said days are the hardest time to get someone. Orr motioned to have Warren leave, punching out and punching back in for fires; seconded by Bessenbacher. More discussion took place and Orr amended motion to read, when page comes in Warren can leave and is off the clock when page received and Chief or designee will send report to clerk verifying hour. Warren can drive DPW vehicle or his own to fire house. Warren will punch in upon return. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

**Break was call at 7:59 pm so new trustee could be sworn in. Resumed meeting at 8:06 pm.**

**A) President Pro-Tem:** Prestonise explained that April would be the next time to select President Pro-Tem and we are replacing at this time. Bessenbacher motioned to have Berecz serve as President Pro-Tem; Miller seconded. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

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**B) Street Administrator:** Prestonise explained the need for new Street Administrator and Orr motioned to appoint Miller as Street Administrator; Bessenbacher seconded. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

**C) Hazard Resolution:** Gormley explained the need for the Hazard Resolution and Miller motioned to adopt the Resolution Adopting the Multi-Jurisdictional Shiawassee County Hazard Mitigation Plan; seconded by Berecz. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.

**D) Quarterly Meetings:** Prestonise explained that he would like to hold quarterly meetings or town hall meetings and wanted to know how council felt. Council thought great idea and Gormley said they should be posted.

**E) Hall Rental:** Prestonise explained how we rented the hall before and that the residents should be able to use it. Council agreed and the past rental agreements will be looked at.

**F) DPW Toner:** Moved on under DPW Report

**Any Other Business from Council /Comments:** Bessenbacher asked about Tri-County Wireless and Reed said we receive monthly check from them. Campbell proud to be on council and he thanked Reed for her comments that made his day.

**Public Comments:** None

**Items For Next Agenda:** Hall Rental

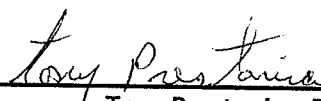
**Meeting adjourned at:** Motion to adjourn at 8:18 pm by Miller; seconded by Chapman. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell and Prestonise. Nays: None -Passed.



Marsha Reed, Clerk

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Approval Date



Tony Prestonise, President