Village of Byron Regular Council Meeting Minutes March 9, 2015

Meeting called to order at: 7 pm by President Brunell

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: President Burnell

Roll Call – Present: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell Others Present: Vicki Murphy, Christina Granger, John White, and Jeremy Root.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of January 31, 2015 minutes as written; motion by Berecz and seconded by Cole. Voice Vote: All Ayes, Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. Approval of February 9, 2015 minutes as written; motion by Cole and seconded by Miller, Voice Vote: All Ayes, Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. Approval of February 27, 2015 minutes as written; motion by Miller and seconded by Bessenbacher, Voice Vote: All Ayes, Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u>: Motion to approve_the agenda by Cole and seconded by Bessenbacher, Voice Vote: All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. No Public Comments on Agenda items.

<u>Treasurers Report</u> – Treasurer read funds by line summary; total CD \$307,860.53; total Checking \$623,830.55; total Savings \$211,308.38; with Total Funds \$1,160,720.98; Total DDA \$17,721.52 Report to stand pending audit.

<u>DPW</u> - Report accepted as presented. Motion to approve DPW report as written by Berecz and seconded by Miller, Voice Vote-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed.

<u>Police</u> - Report accepted as presented. Brunell asked when Chief will be back in town and Wilburn responded he did not know.

Jeremy Root- No new information

Unfinished Business: A) Resolution Amending Handbook/Modify Hours: Gormley read and explained the resolution and will make the amendments needed. Prestonise asked about treasurer hours going back to 10 in March. Brunell explained that the 12 hours a needed. Miller questioned the treasurer and the DDA meeting. Gromley will strike that out of the resolution. Reed asked about the DDA meeting and the extra hour. Gromley explained that clerk's time was still plus meetings including the DDA meeting. Miller asked if they could enforce punching time cards if resolution not approved. Gormley replied no, you can't enforce without passing resolution. Miller said we need to discuss the 12 hours for the treasurer; are they still needed. Tykoski explained that they are still needed because tax time is coming around and how much time it takes to process utility bills. Miller said that he was going by what Tykoski had said 2 months ago. Orr said you thought you know enough to go to 10 hours. Tykoski explained that some of her work has been on hold, like bank reconciliations and the utility bills and what is involved. Prestonise asked about phosphorus grant. Tykoski said I have had to put it aside because of budget.

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Brunell explained grant and Prestonise asked if a committee could do it. Brunell responded no and explained the need for 12 hours. She also said she did not think it's unreasonable. Berecz asked if we could come back and review the hours. Gormley said yes they could be reviewed. Orr asked how Granger was going to put plowing snow on his schedule. Gromley said he would just provide his hours for the week and would provide accountability. Wilburn said they had a mutual agreement with Argentine Township and Livingston County to assist if needed. Prestonise asked about the mutual agreements because he would like to see them. Prestonise asked what to do if you see a police officer in Owosso at 5pm on a Friday night, you know that the court is closed. Brunell said you need to bring it to our attention so we can check into it and find out why. Wilburn said we could add to a report, above and beyond dailies. Miller moved to accept Resolution with amendments and Berecz seconded. Roll Call:-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. B) Handbook Revision: Brunell turned the floor over to Berecz. Berecz said Miller, Gormley, and himself had a meeting to go over the legal language and it looks like it will be ready in April. C) Rules and Procedures: Gormley read and explained Rules and Procedures and he stated that the Clerk and Treasurer were part of the Council, NOT voting member but, still council members. Reed asked if she had to go to each Council Members house or could the packets for a special meeting be put in their mail box and a phone call advising of the special meeting. Gormley said he would make the changes since Council was ok with it. Gormley said Public Hearings will be scheduled by the Clerk and he would make all necessary changes. Berecz motioned to accept Rules and Procedures as amended and Miller seconded. Roll Call-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed.

New Business: A) Designate Street Administrator: Brunell explained the need for one and that they most likely would only sign for the changes made to the streets. Prestonise asked who it was and Brunell responded Musall was. Miller motioned to make the President the Street Administrator and Cole seconded. Roll Call-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. B) Granger's Contract (Fact Finding Mission): Gormley suggested appointing the Personnel Matters, Police, DPW, DDA, and Planning Commission committee. Brunell asked if Cole and Berecz would like to be on the committee along with herself. Cole and Berecz both accepted the committee position. C) Michigan Financial Authority: Brunell asked Reed to explain what it was. Reed said that this was the interest payment for the Village Water Debt and we pay interest twice a year and a principal payment once a year. Miller motioned to pay the Water Debt Interest bill of \$57310.87 and Berecz seconded. Roll Call-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. D) Meeting Dates: The dates were reviewed by Council and Berecz motioned to accept the dates for the Council Meetings on second Monday of each month at 7pm and Cole seconded. Voice Vote-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. E) Parade Permit: Rock Church wants to hand out door hangers on March 28, 2015 starting at 8am until dusk. There will be no stopping, knocking on doors, just hanging door hangers. Miller motioned to approve as amended and Prestonise seconded. Voice Vote-All Ayes: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Passed. F) Police Printer: Brunell explained that the Police need a new 4 in 1 printer and Reed mentioned that she did have a \$75.00 coupon for Staples; it just depended on the type. Miller motioned that a new printer could be purchased for Police, not to exceed \$200.00 and Berecz seconded. Roll Call-Ayes: Miller, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Nays: Prestonise, Passed.

<u>Approval of Expenditures</u>: Cole motioned to approve the bills and Berecz seconded. Roll Call- All Ayes:Miller, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Cole, Orr, and Brunell; Nay: Prestonise,Passed. Prestonise asked why we bought salt from McDowell and Reed explained the savings and the need for less than 50 tons of

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salt. Then Prestonise asked what Quill was and Brunell explained that it was a supply company and we go between Staples and Quill for the best pricing.

Council Comments: Orr: none. Cole explained that she received a call for a lady about her sewer line and she referred her to the Clerk. Prestonise said her clean out is under her crawl space. Gormley said the Village is only responsible to the edge of the road and the home owner is responsible for the rest of the way for sewers. Reed said she spoke with her and will follow up with it. Berecz: none. Bessenbacher: none. Prestonise asked if the minutes will be back out front and Brunell answered that they will when updated. Prestonise asked how much have we paid PCS so far. Tykoski replied about 40 thousand. Prestonise said he would like to know exactly how much. Tykoski said I will look into it for the Council. Brunell said the stop sign was replaced, web site that need updating not the Village site; County site. April 1, 2015 we are going to have risk management out for an assessment, that needs to be done, and they can also tell us about grants we can use. She talked about police mail and the comment made by postal employee; that it didn't last long with the police picking up mail.

<u>Public Comments</u>: Christina Granger asked how the police could travel 45 miles per day without going out of the Village in 8 hours. She asked when the Chief would be back and Brunell responded that we did not know at this time.

Meeting adjourned at: 9:28 pm; motioned by Miller and seconded by Brunell.

Marsha Reed, Clerk

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