

Village of Byron
Council Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2014

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

President Brunell led Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call - Present: Bessenbacher, Cole, Burack, Prestonise Brunell. Miller Absent One vacant seat.

Others Present- Marsha Reed, Lynndsy Tykoski, and Mike Granger

Approval of Agenda- Cole moved, Bessenbacher seconded to approve the agenda. Voice vote – All Ayes. 1 Absent. Carried.

Approval of Minutes- Bessenbacher motioned for approval of August 22, 2014 and August 29, 2014 minutes, Cole seconded. All Ayes, 1 Absent. Passed.

Treasurer Report- Lynndsy Tykoski read each line of report. Chemical Bank CD \$307,860.25, DDA Chase Checking 20,274.98, General Chase Checking 519,901.54, Savings Chase \$211,303.36, Total of all Funds \$1,059,340.41.

Approval of Expenditures- Question on Delany check for \$950.00, Pollution Control Services paid by Village, need to bill Byron School for the services done for them. Cole motioned to approve Checks 23591-23625 and EFT, Bessenbacher seconded. Roll Call Ayes: Bessenbacher, Cole, Burack, and Brunell. Nays: Prestonise. 1 Absent and 1 Seat Vacant, Passed 4-1.

Unfinished Business- A. Byron DDA Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan-Tabled until October meeting. Motion to Table by Bessenbacher, Prestonise seconded. All Ayes, 1 Absent. Carried. B. Office Computer Equipment and Server-Tabled until next meeting. Burack checking in getting another quote. Total cost from IT Right \$4323.00. Motion to Table by Burack, seconded by Bessenbacher. All Ayes, 1 Absent. Carried.

DPW Report-Spicer coming to do Bridge Inspection; done every 2 years. Expansion Joints need to be fixed on first 2 bridges. Tree roots blocking sewer lines, Byron Manor has not removed trees causing problems, send letter addressing problem. Received extra time from State-clean up needs to start. Post Burning Regulations out front of Municipal Building. Mike Granger distributed and reviewed his monthly report.

Police Report- Chief Sampey Absent. Brunell read report Sampey sent: Hours Worked 0. Estimated Hours 82, 227 Miles, 15 Traffic Stops. Car will not start after setting, take it and have it checked.

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New Business-A. Phil Hathaway, Town Plans, LLC not needed any longer, obligation concluded. DDA agrees, Send letter thanking him. Motion by Burack to conclude Hathaway Business, seconded by Cole. All Ayes, 1 Absent. Carried.

B. Ethics Handbook-Social Media Vague. Attorney sent a copy that will lower liability. Burack Motioned to approved, no second. Not Carried.

C. Staff Training: BS & A would charge \$850.00/day, Total \$3400.00 for 4 days. Shirley Riley came in and trained for 19 Hours. Should we pay Clerks wage or On Call Wage of \$10.00/hour for Total of \$190.00 and Thank You Letter. Cole Motioned for On Call Wage, seconded by Burack. 4 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Absent. Carried.

D. Name needs to be changed from Byron Village to legal name of Village of Byron for Audit Reports.

Committee Reports-Cemetery- Bessenbacher reported Matt doing great job at Cemetery, no complaints.

DDA- Minutes of the 8/7/14 meeting were enclosed in Board members agendas. The updated pages of the Plan were also in enclosed. Red Mill conditions were explained to the Board members. Oldest part of the building seemed in better condition than the oldest. Prestonise inquired who to direct questions about Red Mill. Beverly Miller answered that Red Mill questions could be directed to Rob Vandemark or her. Prestonise also asked what was the purpose of the DDA. Miller responded that the DDA has an ongoing plan to upgrade the town.

Planning- Brunell asked everyone to be patient with the Hanson Project.

Police-Committee Meeting at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, September 10, 2014.

Council Comments- Prestonise had questions about interviews being public. Brunell responded that the lawyer had not responded in writing, verbal consent was given by Attorney to hold private interviews with a committee.

Bessenbacher and Brunell expressed concerns about Police Chief not showing up for meetings/work. Police not scheduled. Legal issues with past due invoices just receiving for payment. Officer with active case had to thumb through mail to find subpoena. Police not being represented at meetings. Question asked if Police would be willing to sit and talk to Council.

Brunell suggested that all Council members have a copy of The General Law Village Act and that the Clerk could check into getting copies. Also, it was suggested by Brunell that Agenda include Other Approved Agenda Items.

Prestonise added that Agendas be posted in three places, or in the paper.

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Bessenbacher suggested that a letter be sent to the house on the corner of Maple and Saginaw for mowing ordinance violation.

Prestonise asked if we were going over budget. Brunell answered that we are not over but, we will watch it.

Prestonise asked how the DDA work with Clerk wages. Beverly Miller, DDA and audience member responded that it was previously discussed and it is in the by-laws for the President to have a seat with the DDA and the Clerk to take minutes.

Prestonise asked if we had any action on vacant seat. Brunell answered with a letter of interest from Jessica Woods and we will need to contact Lori Braid for the instructions on filling the seat. Jeremy Root, audience member replied that we have 45 days to fill the vacant seat and that the clerk works for the Village and the DDA is part of the Village.

Public Comments- No Public Comments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm. Moved by Bessenbacher, seconded by Prestonise to adjourn.
Voice Vote- All Ayes. 1 Absent. Carried.

Marsha Reed, Clerk

Date

Kit Brunell, President
Tony Prestonise, President Pro-Tem

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