

Village of Byron
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2026

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

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: President Stevens

Roll Call – Present: Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Also Present: Village Administrator Todd Thomas, Clerk Reed, and Mellentine, Treasurer. Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda, adding property survey under cemetery by Guttersohn, seconded by Willett. Voice Vote: Ayes Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes for June 8, 2026, as written. Motion by Willett; seconded by Bibbee. Voice Vote: Ayes Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Public Comments-Agenda Items: Bryan M. said, "Thank you for the new road."

Treasurer's Report –Mellentine read report. Guttersohn motioned to accept report pending audit; seconded by Willett. Roll Call Vote: Ayes Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Approval of Bills: Campbell reported 35 Checks with 0 voided, 213E-218E, 29481-29509, totaling \$32,981.56. Guttersohn motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Willett. Roll Call Vote: Ayes Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Bills Awaiting Approval (Blue Folder)- None

Committee Reports:

Police Report- Guttersohn read report.

DPW Report – Included with Village Administrator

Code Enforcement: Included with Village Administrator

Cemetery Report: Guttersohn read the report. He said 210 is replacing signs because of flaws. Filed a police report on a Jeep climbing a dirt mound.

Village/Zoning Administrator: Trailer located at 523 S Saginaw is being taken down. 2nd letter is needed for 318 W Maple for yard debris. Shettler has moved items out of his yard. Campbell said there is an odor from that area. 302 Hamilton pulled a fence permit. Streets cleaned, bridges cleaned, and cold patch 90% complete on road sides. The railroad tracks at Maple/Bath Road where a car accident took out signs and guard rail. Also, found a hole that needs a lid made for it. Both Reed and I have tried to contact the railroad several times and received no reply. Water Tower Hill mowed, and Thomas suggested replacing grass with flowers. AMI crack sealing is approximately 3 weeks out and will be done before school starts. 307 and 318 N Saginaw have trees to be removed. Estimates are coming from Lynch and Timber Tech. Thomas addressed the fact that the attorney is not attending meetings

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according to the contract, and Stevens said she discussed it with him; we don't need him. Reed and Mellentine will reach out for attorney names. Reed said that it may cost more.

DDA Report: Baker-Murph is pleased that the pocket park has a name: Eagle Park. Pavilion should go up pretty fast. Fishing Pier still a go in October. EGLE has been out and will report on the visit. People liked the band and asked when the next one will take place. DDA will discuss at next meeting. Baker-Murph said we need help at our next fun day. She added that DDA may look into band sponsorships; we need to work on the details.

Commissioner Report: Howard said audit results were good. He also talked about some changes on the ballot. Reed asked about the Shiawassee bus system, and Howard said it is very expensive.

911 Commission: Campbell said they are looking into a county-wide alert system with a cost of \$80,000.00. He added that it would cost each area approximately \$5,000.00 per year for service. 911 received 24,000 calls.

Old Business: None

New Business:

On-Demand Part-Time DPW Tech \$15.00/hour: Thomas explained that the funding is there for an on-demand part-time DPW tech at \$15.00/hour. Guttersohn motioned to approve \$15.00/hour for on-demand part-time DPW tech; seconded by McDowell. Roll Call Vote: Ayes Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Nays: None. Absent: None. Thomas suggested Warden and Brittain.

DPW Operator: Thomas explained that the subcontractor cost would be \$7000.00/month, with no direct employee. May not get the service for \$84,000.00 per year. Looking for a certain skill set with a \$1000.00/week and \$250.00 toward medical per month. Will talk to a couple more applicants, and Reed can repost the ad for 3 weeks.

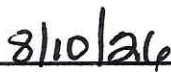
Any Other Business from Council /Comments: Bibbee thanked the fireworks committee, DDA, and the Methodist Church for all the work performed. She added that she and Stevens are attending the recycling event. Mellentine asked if we were keeping the same auditor? Also, the audit will be covered at the August or September meeting. Council Member McDowell stated that she will not be seeking re-election to the Village Council and that she is in the process of selling her home. Guttersohn will work on the Village truck, and parts will cost \$502.29. Stevens said we need a parade committee for next year; we need to post it.

Items For Next Agenda: None

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:01 pm; motioned by Stevens and seconded by Guttersohn. Voice Vote: Ayes: Campbell, Guttersohn, Willett, McDowell, Bibbee, Chapman, and Stevens. Nays: None. Absent: None.



Marsha Reed, Clerk



Date



Vicki Stevens, President