

VILLAGE OF LAKE ODESSA
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2022
PAGE MEMROIAL BUILDING
839 FOURTH AVENUE
LAKE ODESSA, MICHIGAN 48849

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Village President Banks.

ROLL CALL

Council present: President Karen Banks, Trustee Carrie Johnson, Trustee Michael Brighton, Trustee Melvin McCloud, Trustee Robert Young, Trustee Jennifer Hickey

Absent: Trustee Terri Cappon

Staff present: Patrick Reagan, Kathy Forman

Visitors present: James Gemell, Lakewood News, Thelma Curtis, Linda Swift, Lee and Ruthann Stuart

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Young, support by Johnson, to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Thelma Curtis, 610 First Street, Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849 – Stated that she was not in favor of any change to the Village's Marihuana Ordinance.

MINUTES

Motion by Brighton, support by Young, to approve the minutes from the following meetings:

- a) Minutes from the regular Council meeting on December 20, 2021

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 6-0.

BILLS

Motion by McCloud, supported by Young, to approve expenditures equal to or less than \$3,000.00 for the period 12/1/2021 thru 12/31/2021 Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 6-0.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Brighton, to approve the bills in excess of \$3,000 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by McCloud, supported by Young, to approve the consent agenda, as follows:

- a) Lake Odessa Zoning Administrator Monthly Report
- b) Lakewood Recreational Authority – December 2021 Minutes

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 6-0.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Manager's Report: Reagan discussed New Business items on the agenda.

DPW: Report submitted.

Police: Report submitted.

Finance: Report submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel/Finance Committee: No report

Recreation/ Special Projects Committee: No report

Website Committee: This committee is still working with Municode on the website. Members stated that the website was coming along very nicely.

PRESENTATIONS

- a) None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a) Discussion of Village Ordinances 6.1-21; 6.1-22 and 36-101 concerning Marihuana Establishments in the Village of Lake Odessa.

Banks stated that this item was on the agenda at the request of Trustee Young. Banks stated that the Council had three options: leave the ordinances as they stand; form an ad-hoc committee to study the question, with the possibility of having a survey produced to gauge interest and opinions from residents; or to place this issue on a ballot during the next general election and have the voters decide.

McCloud stated that he would not be in favor of changing the ordinances.

Young stated that a voter referendum might be a good idea as surveys can be manipulated.

Motion by McCloud, supported by Johnson, to keep the ordinances as previously set by Council. Banks called for a roll call vote. Yes: McCloud, Johnson, Brighton, Hickey, Banks; No: Young; Absent: Cappon; Abstain: None. Motion passed, 5-1.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) Proposed Five-Year Recreation Plan for the Village of Lake Odessa

Motion by Young, supported by Hickey, to open the public hearing on the proposed Five-Year Recreation Plan. Banks called for a voice vote. All ayes; motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

The public hearing was opened at 7:21 pm.

Village Manager Reagan stated that no written comment was received on the proposed five-year Recreation Plan.

Lee and Ruthann Stuart commented on the plan. They stated that if the Council was open to creating more walking paths throughout the Village, they would be interested in one being built on their newly purchased property. They also mentioned the need for basketball and tennis courts and stated that they would have room for those as well. They also spoke of the creation of community gardens on their property.

Linda Swift commented on how the proposed Recreation Plan might benefit Village Park and Swifty's Place.

Motion by McCloud, supported by Brighton, to close the public hearing. A voice vote was called for by Banks. All ayes; motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

The public hearing was closed at 7:35 pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Resolution 2022-01: Approval to Adopt the Village of Lake Odessa's Employee Deferred Compensation Plan for Fiscal year 2022-2023

Motion by Johnson, supported by Brighton, to approve Proposed Resolution 2022-01
Roll call vote. Yes: Johnson, Brighton, Young, McCloud, Hickey, Banks; No: None; Absent: Cappon; Abstain: None. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

Proposed Resolution 2022-02: Approval to Set a Public Hearing for the Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Village of Lake Odessa Budget and Millage Rates

Motion by McCloud, supported by Hickey to approve Proposed Resolution 2022-02. Roll call vote. Yes: McCloud, Hickey, Johnson, Brighton, Young, Banks; No: None; Absent: Cappon; Abstain: None. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0

Proposed Resolution 2022-03: Approving the Adoption of the Proposed Village of Lake Odessa Five-Year Recreation Plan

Motion by Johnson, supported by Young, to approve Proposed Resolution 2022-03. Roll call vote. Yes: Johnson, Young, Hickey, McCloud, Brighton, Young, Banks; No: None; Absent: Cappon; Abstain: None. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0

Approval of Budget Amendments as Submitted

Motion by Hickey, supported by Johnson, to approve the budget amendments as submitted. Roll call vote. Yes: Hickey, Johnson, McCloud, Brighton, Young, Banks; No: None; Absent: Cappon; Abstain: None. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Letter from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. RE: Obtaining the CDC's Optimal Fluoridation Award for 2021

- b) Letter from Thelma Curtis. RE: Village Marijuana Ordinance

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Johnson – asked about the Code Enforcement officer position proposed by staff.

Brighton – asked about the award received for water fluoridation. Congratulated the Water Department on receiving this award for the Village.

McCloud – No comment.

Hickey – No Comment.

Young – No comment.

Banks – No comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Thelma Curtis, 610 First Street, Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849 – thanked the Council for their work and appreciated being able to speak her mind at tonight's meeting. Expressed extreme gratitude for Trustee McCloud.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Young, supported by Hickey, to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm, Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick T. Reagan
Village Manager/ Village Clerk