

VILLAGE OF LAKE ODESSA

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2024
PAGE MEMORIAL BUILDING
839 FOURTH AVENUE
LAKE ODESSA, MICHIGAN 48849

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Village President Karen Banks.

ROLL CALL

Council present: President Karen Banks, Trustee Mike Brighton, Trustee Terri Cappon, Trustee Jennifer Hickey, Trustee Carrie Johnson, Trustee Martha Yoder, Trustee Rob Young

Council absent: None

Staff present: Manager Gregg Guetschow, Clerk/Treasurer Kathy Forman

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Young, supported by Yoder, to approve the agenda. All ayes; motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. John Catt – Asked about the tree trimming on Johnson Street
2. Anthony Fraccarolli – Spoke about parking spaces on Second Street.
3. Pam Swiler – Talked about the need for a space in the village where banners about community events can be displayed.

MINUTES

Motion by Young, supported by Hickey, to approve the minutes from the following meetings:

- a) Minutes from the regular Village Council meeting of July 15, 2024

All ayes; motion carried 7-0.

BILLS

Motion by Cappon, supported by Yoder, to approve expenditures equal to or less than \$3,000.00 for the period 7/1/2024 through 7/31/2024. All ayes; motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Brighton to approve bills in excess of \$3,000 as submitted.

All ayes; motion carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Young, supported by Cappon, to accept the following items and place them on file:

- a. Draft Minutes from the Lake Odessa Downtown Development Authority special meeting of July 25, 2024
- b. Minutes from the Lake Odessa Area Arts Commission regular meeting of July 8, 2024
- c. Minutes from the Lake Odessa Area Arts Commission special meeting of July 25, 2024
- d. Draft Minutes from the Lake Odessa Zoning Board of Appeals hearing of July 25, 2024
- e. Accept resignation by Ben DeJong from the Downtown Development Authority
- f. Accept resignation by Raymond Dykhouse from the Zoning Board of Appeals

All ayes; motion carried 7-0.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Village Manager: Report submitted.

Gregg Guetschow spoke briefly about the limitations of allowing banners on Village property.

Department of Public Works: Report submitted.

Finance: Report Submitted.

Zoning: Report submitted.

PRESENTATIONS

a) FY 2023-24 Audit Report

Our audit report for FYE 2/29/2024 was received by council. Dave DeHaan was not able to attend the meeting. The Village received a clean audit. Greg Guetschow explained that there is collateralization from Union Bank which was not documented in the audit.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a) Proposed Resolution 2024-44: Approving Amendment to Right-Of-Way Café Encroachment Agreement

Motion by Johnson, supported by Hickey, to adopt Resolution 2024-44.

There was discussion by council members.

Banks called for a roll call vote. Yes: Johnson, Hickey, Cappon, Young, Banks; No: Brighton, Yoder; Absent: None; Abstain: None. Resolution adopted 5-2.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Proposed Resolution 2024-47: Accepting Financial Statements for the Year Ended February 29, 2024

Motion by Yoder, supported by Brighton, to adopt proposed Resolution 2024-47. Banks called for a roll call vote. Yes: Yoder, Brighton, Cappon, Hickey, Johnson, Young, Banks; No: None; Absent: None; Abstain: None. Resolution adopted 7-0.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

a) Letter from Terri Catt

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Banks – We had a good meeting tonight. LOAAC did a great job on Art In The Park 2024. Thanked sponsors and volunteers. Thanked Mr. Fraccarolli for stepping in to sing the National Anthem at the beginning of the day.

Brighton – None

Cappon – Thanked Forman for doing a good job for the Village.

Hickey – Would like to revisit hiring a manager before the November election. Asked if a date could be set for the next Committee of the Whole Meeting. The date was set as Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6:00pm. Topics for discussion will include more input on a noise ordinance and a financial review.

Johnson – Spoke of the letter from Mrs. Catt. Noted that Johnson Street is in poor condition. Would like to hire a manager before the November election so the manager can start working on the street project slated for 2025.

Yoder – Thanked everyone for being at the meeting

Young – None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Larry Adams – Stated he was glad to see the village is addressing the noise issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Young, supported by Cappon, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes: motion carried 7-0.
Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy S. Forman
Village Clerk / Treasurer