

President Wetherbee called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 P.M.

**Roll Call:**

Council Members Present: Stoffel, Cook, Gale, Gremel, Harper and President Wetherbee

Absent Members: None

Staff Present: Clerk- Joni Scott, Administrator- Barb Von Voigtlander, Superintendent- Chris Holton

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

The minutes of the December 6, 2018 regular meeting were approved as corrected.

**Approval of Agenda (amendments/additions):**

Trustee Harper asked to consider tabling action item D Marijuana Opt out Ordinance until the next regular meeting. Harper indicated that the Northport/Omena Chamber would like to add some input.

The Council agreed by consensus.

**Correspondence:**

None

**Public Comment:**

Jane Packard, North Shore Drive- gave her support for the Dark Sky resolution.

Russ Packard, North Shore Drive- gave his support to the Dark Sky resolution.

**Reports:**

- A. **Clerk** – Clerk Scott briefly reviewed her report. The Clerk’s report was accepted as presented.
- B. **Treasurer** – A Treasurers report with Financials for the month of December was presented.
- C. **Village Administrator** – Von Voigtlander provided a written report of her daily activities.
- D. **DPW**- Superintendent Chris Holton provided a written report.
- E. **Employee Relations** – None
- F. **Finance**- The minutes of the December 18 and 28, 2018 Finance Committee meeting were accepted as presented.
- G. **Infrastructure**- The minutes of the December 27 and January 9, 2019 Infrastructure meeting minutes were accepted as presented.
- H. **Waterfront**-The minutes of the December 11,18 and January 8, 2019 Waterfront Committee minutes were accepted as presented.
- I. **Planning Commission:** The next regular Planning Commission meeting will be held on January 15, 2018. Highlights from the December 18, 2018 meeting included;
  - 1. A report provided by Betsy Ernst and Andy Thomas for the Northport Trail Completion at the Trail Head Park at the end of 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

A joint meeting with the Planning Commission will be held on February 19, 2019 at the Northport Creek Golf Course.

**Ongoing Business:**

- J. **TAP Grant:** The TAP grant project is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2019 pending funding approval. The scope of work will be on Waukazoo Street.
- K. **SAW Grant:** The Village of Northport has been awarded a SAW grant in the amount of \$147,112. The Village’s commitment to the grant will be \$15,088. The scope of the project includes survey of the existing storm water system, mapping, inspections and televising of approximately 7,500 feet of storm sewer. The information gathered will be inputted into GIS. This project will now begin in the spring of 2019.

## **Discussion Items:**

### A. Draft Budget 2019-20

Clerk Scott reviewed the highlights of the draft budget with the Council.

## **Action Items:**

### A. **Approval of Harbor Master Contract:**

Trustee Harper **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Cook to approve the Harbor Master Contract with Susan Holtz.

**Roll Call Vote:** Yeas (6) Nays (0) **Motion Carried.**

### B. **Vacancy on the Village Council:**

The Village Council agreed to hold a Special meeting on January 17, 2019 at 5 pm to appoint a Trustee to the vacancy on the Council. Five people have applied; Rick Deering, Campbell McLeod, Charlie Rogers, Cheryl Myers and Fred Steffens.

### C. **Dark Sky Lighting Resolution:**

Trustee Harper **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Gremel to adopt the Resolution for the Dark Sky Lighting.

**Roll Call Vote:** Yeas (6) Nays (0) **Motion Carried.**

### D. **Approval of Language for RFP & RFQ for publication:**

Trustee Gale **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Harper, to approve the language for the RFP for publication in the Leelanau Enterprise and Record Eagle .

Discussion included, but was not limited to; that the publication should run for two weeks and have a March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 deadline. **Motion Carried.**

Trustee Gale **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Harper, to approve the language for the RFQ for publication in the Leelanau Enterprise and Record Eagle .

Discussion included, but was not limited to; that the publication should exclude the printing of the evaluation, run for two weeks and have a March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 deadline. **Motion Carried.**

### E. **Approval of Waterways Rates for 2019:**

Trustee Gremel **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Cook to approve the Transient Slip Rate (C) with Waterways for 2019. **Motion Carried.**

### F. **Approval of Fee Schedule for 2019:**

Trustee Gale **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Cook to approve the Fee Schedule for 2019.

**Motion Carried.**

### G. **Approval of Variance requests for Commercial Use of Marina:**

Trustee Stoffel **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Gremel to approve the variance requests provided by the Harbor Master for commercial use in the marina.

**Motion Carried.** (Trustee Harper recused himself)

#### **H. Appointment of NLTUA Reps:**

The discussion of recommendations to the NLTUA ensued.  
President Wetherbee agreed to table the approval of appointments to the NLTUA.

#### **Payment of Bills:**

Trustee Gale **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Cook to approve payment of the bills when funds become available in the amount of \$38,165.86

Discussion included; Trustee Harper suggested that the attorney bill be paid out of the marina since the invoice was for the Harbor Master contract. Clerk Scott agreed and suggested a budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

**Roll Call Vote:** Yeas (6) Nays (0) Absent (0) **Motion Carried**

#### **Public Comments:**

**Campbell McLeod-** made comments about the marina electrical service and his availability to serve on the Village Council.

#### **Council Comments:**

Trustee Gremel- Thanked Clerk Scott for her work on the draft budget.  
Trustee Cook- asked questions about batteries purchased at Radio Shack

#### **Adjournment:**

The meeting was moved to adjourn at 8:22 pm

Several Citizens attended.

**Joni I. Scott, Village of Northport  
Clerk**

