

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

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Wetherbee, Stoffel, Gale, McLeod, Harper and President Mikesell

Absent Members: Trustee Rogers

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

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of June 14, 2018 regular meeting were approved as distributed.

The minutes of the June 26, 2018 special meeting were approved as distributed.

Approval of Agenda (amendments/additions):

None

Correspondence:

Northport Energy- invitation to a 10th anniversary celebration for Northport Energy.

State of Michigan, DNR- Quit Claim Release of Reverter for 7th Street village property.

Public Comment:

Gerald Schatz, Mill Street- made a comment about the public notice for the upcoming ZBA meeting needing to be clearer.

Doreen Tyrell, Main Street- commented that the use of the 7th Street property should begin with the village Planning Commission. Tyrell also commented on the process for selecting a legal firm and audit services.

Yvonne Nordstrand, Sixth Street- commented on drones being flown at the public beach.

Hugh Cook, Sixth Street- made comments about the firework shooters not getting their pizza.

Reports:

- A. **Clerk** – Clerk Scott briefly reviewed her report. The Clerk’s report was accepted as presented. Clerk Scott reminded the Council that gift cards had been purchased for the fireworks shooters the year before.
- B. **Treasurer** – The Treasurer submitted a report for the month of June. reasurer’s report was accepted as presented.
- C. **Village Administrator** – Von Voigtlander provided a written report. Von Voigtlander reminded the Council of the upcoming ZBA meeting to be held on July 20, 2018 at 1 pm.
*The Council agreed by consensus to add a special meeting to the July 20, 2018 agenda to discuss Park Drive with Karl Wizinsky.
- D. **DPW:** Superintendent Chris Holton provided a written report.
Upcoming projects include:
 - GLRI project is complete
 - Preparing 8th Street DPW site for fuel pumps.
- E. **Employee Relations** – The Village Administrator’s evaluation was reviewed by the Council. She had a good review.
- F. **Finance-** The next Finance Committee will be held on Wednesday August 8, 2018. The minutes of June 22, 2018 Special Finance meeting were accepted as presented.
- G. **Infrastructure-** The minutes of June 22, 2018 meeting were accepted as presented.
- H. **Waterfront:** Harbor Master Brian Ray submitted a written report of the June activities of the marina. The minutes of June 15, 2018 meeting were accepted as presented.

Waterfront Chair noted that Brian Ray and Mariah Kalchik had both received a \$2 hourly increase for this season. Trustee McLeod had questions about becoming part of the DNR reservation website, and the continuation of replacing the power pedestals.

- I. Planning Commission:** The next regular Planning Commission meeting will be held on July 17, 2018 at the Village of Northport. Commissioner Jane Gale provided a written report on the Planning Commission's last meeting. Highlights included;
- The Zoning Ordinance Articles 12-16 are being reviewed
 - Discussed allowing medical marijuana provisioning centers with a special land use permit.
- The Council also agreed by consensus to have the planning commission assign a citizen task force to study and analyze options for the future use of the Seventh Street property, which is being vacated by the DPW. The Council also agreed to ask Gerald Schatz to lead the committee.

Ongoing Business:

- J. GLRI Grant:** The project is complete.
- K. 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.
- L. 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. Propose VA or President obtain trustee approval before contacting legal counsel on village matters. (McLeod)**
- The Council had a discussion about the process for contacting legal counsel. Concerns from trustees McLeod, Stoffel and Harper included; communication, notification of contacting legal counsel and accessibility to the work product.
- Trustees Harper and McLeod agreed to draft language of the change for the Rules of Procedure as a first reading at the next regular meeting.

Action Items:

A. Adopt resolution for marina wait list policy:

Trustee Gale Moved, Supported by Trustee Harper to adopt the resolution to approve the wait list policy as follows;

Whereas the Village Council wishes to have a Marina Wait list Policy to ensure fairness and equity in assigning slips to boaters on the wait list.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that:

The Village Council Shall establish the policy that the harbor master shall notify a prospective slip holder when a slip becomes available. If the prospective slip holder declines, the harbor master shall notify the prospective slip holder when a slip becomes available the following season. If that slip is declined, the harbor master shall move the prospective slip holder's name to the bottom of the waiting list.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas (6) Nays (0) Absent (1) Trustee Rogers Motion Carried.
Resolution Declared Adopted

B. Resolution of support for approval for liquor license application:

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Harper to approve the resolution for the liquor license application for Fresh Water Market.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas (5) Mikesell, Wetherbee, Harper, McLeod and Wetherbee Nays (0) Abstained (1) Trustee Gale. Motion Carried. **Resolution Declared Adopted.**

C. Approval of Bay to Braman Bolt on 9/1/2018:

Trustee Wetherbee **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Harper to approve the Bay to Braman Bolt on September 1, 2018. **Motion Carried.**

D. Propose sending out RFQ for legal and audit services:

Trustee Stoffel **Moved, Supported by** Trustee McLeod to approve sending out RFQ for legal services. Yeas (5) Trustees Wetherbee, Gale, Harper, McLeod and Rogers Nays (1) President Mikesell. **Motion Carried.**

Trustee Harper **Moved, Supported by** Trustee McLeod to approve sending out RFQ's for audit services. Yeas (5) Trustees Wetherbee, Gale, Harper, McLeod and Rogers Nays (1) President Mikesell. **Motion Carried.**

Payment of Bills:

Trustee Gale **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Wetherbee to approve payment of the Bills when funds become available in the amount of \$81,688.34

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

Public Comments:

Kevin Murphy, Mill Street- Thanked the Council for approving the License for Fresh Water Market.

Karl Wizinsky, Fourth Street- Made comments about Park Drive and the safety standards.

Thea Kellogg, Mill Street- requested a mirror for the corner of Mill and 5th Street.

Yvonne Nordstrand, Sixth Street- made a comment about people doing U turns.

Council Comments:

Trustee Stoffel offered to buy the fireworks shooters a pizza after the show next year.

Trustee McLeod made a comment about the safety of the village's infrastructure.

Trustee Gale thanked the public for their thoughtful comments.

Adjournment:

Trustee Wetherbee **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Harper to adjourn the meeting. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting was moved to adjourn at 8:23 pm

Several Citizens attended.

Joni L. Scott, Village of Northport Clerk

