

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

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Trustees; Wetherbee, Kehl, Stoffel, Budd, Loud and President Mikesell

Absent: Trustee Rogers

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

Meeting Minutes:

The regular Council meeting minutes from April 6, 2017 were accepted with correction.

(Identification of Phil Loud's attendance)

Approval of Agenda (amendments/additions):

Addition to discussion items- Will Harper, proposed REU classification for Short Term Rentals (STRs)

Correspondence:

Mike Sinclair- REU classification of two function buildings

Public Comment:

Rain Garden :

Laura Kalchik, Fifth Street- Northport Committee of Friends, request for approval of rain garden off of Nagonaba Street, and grant administration.

Trustee Budd Moved, Supported by Trustee Wetherbee to approve the rain garden project, contingent upon a final design approval by the Infrastructure Committee. Motion Carried.

Gerald Schatz, Mill Street- legal authority of the Village Council availability

Will Harper, Mill Street- REU proposals, Mike Sinclair's letter

Rachel Dean, Mill Street- Petition for REU classification, names of signers

Doreen Tyrrell, Main Street- Use of existing rain garden plants, maintenance of rain garden

Yvonne Nordstrand, Sixth Street- Rain garden

REPORTS:

Clerks Report:

Clerk Scott reviewed a financial report for the month of April. Scott reminded the Council of the trash pickup date on June 10, 2017 and that the DPW would be flushing the hydrants on May 16, 2017.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Merilee Scripps provided a financial report in agreement with the Clerk for the month of April 2017.

Administrative Coordinator:

Administrative Coordinator Barb Von Voigtlander submitted a written report to the Council. Von Voigtlander announced that the Village had received two grants from the Leelanau Township Community Foundation; \$7,700 to help complete the trail project, and \$51,000 to provide conduit, bases and possibly electrical outlets for lampposts on Nagonaba Street.

DPW - Infrastructure Report:

DPW Superintendent Chris Holton reported that the DPW is working on building a kayak rack and the construction of 6 new picnic tables. Holton also discussed options for goose removal in the park. Holton also reported that ditch work will begin on South Shore Drive, and that the water tank cleaning will begin next month.

Finance Committee:

Clerk Scott reported that the Finance Committee met and reviewed the 2015-16 Audit report provided by Dennis, Gartland and Niergarth.

Both the Finance and Infrastructure Committees recommended making an offer on the Stoffel property located on 7th Street.

Administrator Von Voigtlander asked the Council for permission to make an offer on the Stoffel property on Seventh Street, stating that the property is adjacent to the DPW and would offer additional space for composting and brush.

Trustee Budd Moved, Supported by Trustee Wetherbee to authorize the Administrator to make an offer based on the comps provided. Motion Carried.

The Finance Committee meeting minutes from April 13, 2017 were accepted as presented.

Marina - Waterfront Committee:

Harbor Master Mark Holtz submitted a written report.

Employee Relations Committee:

None.

Planning Commission:

Planning Commission member Mike Stoffel submitted a written report.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2017.

On Going Business:

None

Discussion Items:

Proposed REU Classification:

The Council had a discussion regarding REU assignment to properties in the SAD. The Council agreed to have the Finance Committee review the request at their next regular meeting.

Action Items:

A. Approve recommended change to REU schedule:

The NLTUA recommended an amendment to the REU schedule for clarification of the language for a “business with an apartment, above or below” to “business with an apartment”. Both Bond and NLTUA attorneys recommended the change.

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Stoffel to approve the recommended change of language to the REU schedule to “business with an apartment”.

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

B. Appointment to Village Planning Commission:

President Mikesell made the recommendation to appoint Kathryn Frerich to the Planning Commission.

Trustee Stoffel Moved, Supported by Trustee Wetherbee to appoint Kathryn Frerich to the Planning Commission. Motion Carried.

C. Approve Amendment #1 for Golf Course Management Agreement:

Bill Collins stated that the amendment to the management agreement would pay all net income that Northport Creek, Inc. makes to the Village of Northport.

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Budd to approve the resolution amending the Golf Course agreement.

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

D. Resolution of Support for citizen fundraiser:

Administrator Von Voigtlander explained that a local citizens group would like to begin fundraising for the installation of 21 new light poles on Nagonaba Street.

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Stoffel to approve the resolution supporting the fundraising efforts to aid the Village in completing the Street lighting project in a timely manner.

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

Payment of Bills:

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Stoffel to approve payment of the Following bills as Funds become available;

DTE ENERGY	\$465.87	PURE WATER WORKS	\$8.00
ETNA SUPPLY COMPANY	\$93.32	RAM PLUMBING	\$525.06
FASTENAL COMPANY	\$224.19	RELIABLE HVAC SOLUTIONS	\$459.60
FERGUSON'S LAWN EQUIPMENT	\$150.97	RETIREMENT, LLC	\$1,190.00
GRANT'S STUMP REMOVAL SER	\$443.00	STAPLES	\$315.32
KAL EXCAVATING CO.,INC.	\$1,028.36	THE LEELANAU ENTERPRISE	\$50.00
LEELANAU TREE SERVICE	\$1,575.00	TOM'S MARKET, INC.	\$80.85
MARINAWARE	\$375.00	TROPHY TROLLEY	\$24.00
MARLEE RADOSEVICH	\$219.35	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	\$4,220.69
MICHIGAN ASS. OF PLANNING	\$130.00	ULINE	\$669.10
MML WORKER'S COMPENSATION FUND	\$10,812.00	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AGENCY	\$1,800.18
MUTT MITT	\$157.50	US POSTMASTER	\$120.70
NORTHERN BUILDING SUPPY	\$86.52	XEROX CORPORATION	\$104.97
NORTHPORT AUTO SERVICE	\$186.57	WOODLAND DIRECT	\$500.00
NORTHPORT BUILDING SUPPLY	\$1,791.86		
NORTHPORT CARS IN THE PARK	\$2,000.00		
NORTHPORT-OMENA CHAMBER OF COM	\$200.00		
OSCAR LARSON	\$760.28		

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

Public Comment:

William Harper- Short term rentals being charged for use.

David Nordstrand- Goose problem in the park, the use of sound not working to deter them.

Ben Crow- REUs, costs to do business in Traverse City.

Mimi Heberlin- Short term rentals, workforce housing.

Rachel Dean- Dog park at the beach area would aid in geese problem.

Christine Verdon- Dog Park

Council Comment:

Tim Kehl- Providing Mr. Schatz with information needed.

Wetherbee- Trail system a nice addition to the community

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Public Attendance: Several Citizens attended.

Joni L. Scott, Northport Village Clerk