

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

Roll Call:

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

Absent Members: None

Staff Present: Clerk- Joni Scott, Administrator- Barb Von Voigtlander, Harbor Master- Mark Holtz and Superintendent- Chris Holton

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of December 7, 2017 were approved as distributed.

Approval of Agenda (amendments/additions):

Von Voigtlander noted that Paul Olson was unable to attend the meeting and that Action Item E. Approve Insurance for 2018.

Correspondence:

None

Public Comment:

Gerald Schatz- commented on the snow removal on the corner of Sixth Street, and the Medical Marijuana Facility Act of 2016.

John Mitchell- Gave an update on the Veterans memorial stating that Consumers has agreed to remove the pole at the location of the proposed memorial. Mitchell also mentioned that the committee may apply for a GTB 2% grant.

Doreen Tyrell, Planning Commission Chair- asked the Council to vote “no” on the Resolution to exempt the Planning Commission from the Capital Improvement Plan. Tyrell said that the Planning Commission would like to be more involved with the Council.

Bill Collins- Supported Tyrell’s comments, and made a comment on the brightness of the new Streetlights for Nagonaba Street.

Reports:

- A. **Clerk** – Clerk Scott briefly reviewed her report. The Clerk’s report was accepted as presented.
 - B. **Treasurer** – The Treasurer’s report for the month of December was provided. Scripps will submit a signed report when she has it completed.
 - C. **Village Administrator** – Von Voigtlander provided a written report. Von Voigtlander thanked everyone who helped Santa’s visit on Christmas eve.
 - D. **DPW:** Upcoming projects include:
 - GLRI grant project rescheduled for a spring project due to timing on products available.
 - Repaving of a section of Wing Street near the Northport Public School
 - Curbside pickup for holiday trees
 - E. **Employee Relations** – None.
 - F. **Finance-** The Finance Committee minutes from December 13, 2017 meeting were approved as presented. The Finance Committee will continue to review the draft budget at their regular meetings.
 - G. **Infrastructure-** Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Rogers to approve the December 20 and 29, 2017 Infrastructure Committee meeting minutes. Motion Carried.
- ***Trails:** The trails committee is in the process of applying for a LTCF grant.
- H. **Waterfront:** Harbor Master Mark Holtz provided a written report on activities at the marina. Upcoming projects include:
 - replacement of all power pedestals by 2019
 - New pump-out grant applied for
 - Painting of Break wall
 - Seasonal Contracts will be sent out with a survey

- Gift Shop at the Visitors Center
 - RFPs to be sent out for the 2018 bathroom cleaning
- I. Planning Commission:** The next regular Planning Commission meeting will be held on January 16, 2018 in the Village meeting room. Commissioner Jane Gale provided a written report on the Planning Commission December meeting. Highlights included;
- Review of Bylaws for the Planning Commission
 - Presentation from Joe Defors and Peter Wolcott from the Northport Energy on becoming a “Solar Ready” community.
 - Continued review of the Zoning Ordinance

Ongoing Business:

- A. GLRI Grant:** The project is scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2018.
- B. TAP Grant:** The TAP grant project is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2018 pending funding approval. The scope of work will be on Waukazoo Street.
- C. SAW Grant:** The Village of Northport has been awarded a SAW grant in the amount of \$147,112. The Villages 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.

Discussion Items:

A. Draft Budget for the 2018-19 Fiscal year:

Clerk Scott provided the draft budget for the 2018-19 fiscal year and reviewed it with the Council.

B. Medical Marijuana Facility Act of 2016:

Since the Attorney General Jeff Sessions rescinded the Cole memo on marijuana, the Council felt there was no need to continue discussions.

Action Items:

A. Set Fee Schedule for 2018:

The Council reviewed the proposed fee schedule and agreed to the additional changes; \$140 for Street Closures and \$300 for all park reservations.

Trustee Kehl **Moved, Supported by** Trustee Gale to approve the resolution for the 2018 fee Schedule.
Roll Call Vote: Yeas (7) Nays (0) Motion Carried.

B. Resolution for Release of Reverter Clause:

A Resolution for a release of reverter clause for the 7th DPW property to be used for a "Public Purpose" was provided to the Council.

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Gale to approve the Resolution provided for the Release of Reverter Option for 7th Street DPW property. **Roll Call Vote:** Yeas (6) Nays (1) Stoffel Motion Carried.

C. Resolution for Exemption from Capital Improvement Plan:

The Resolution Failed for lack of a motion to approve.

Payment of Bills:

Trustee Wetherbee Moved, Supported by Trustee Rogers to approve payment of the Bills when funds become available in the amount of \$89,475.55

Roll Call Vote: Yeas (7) Nays (0) Motion Carried

Public Comments:

Yvonne Nordstrand, Sixth Street- made a comment about the Budget.

Council Comments:

Campbell McLeod- made comments about the Planning Commissions duties.

The meeting was moved to adjourn at 8:35 pm

Several Citizens attended.

Joni L. Scott, Village of Northport Clerk

