

VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING
Regular Council Meeting – March 15, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Julie Epperson at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Matthew Chisholm (Zoom), Melinda Driscoll, Julie Epperson, Brandy Gunsell, Dennis Kunding, Scott Myers (Zoom) Marcus Sting

Absent:

Others: Clerk Travis Youatt

Motion by Driscoll seconded by Kunding approve the agenda for this meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Sting seconded by Kunding to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2021 regular council meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment

None

Public Hearing

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Driscoll to open the Public Hearing at 7:15 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

President Epperson conducted the Public Hearing for the purpose of the Tax Millage & Budget.

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to close the Public Hearing at 7:18 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

Committee Reports

Light & Water Committee Report

Trustee Chisholm reported on regular Light & Water Department activity.

Operating Report

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to approve the Operating Report for Sebewaing Light & Water Department ending January 31, 2021 submitted by Superintendent Charlene Hudson.

MOTION CARRIED

Financial Reports

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to approve the Financial Report for Sebewaing Light & Water Department ending January 31, 2021 submitted by Superintendent Charlene Hudson.

Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #02-2020-2021

Resolved by Chisholm seconded by Sting to approve the Resolution #02-2020-2021 for Charlene Hudson, Sebewaing Light & Water Superintendent to be the MPPA Member Authorized Representative for the Village of Sebewaing.

Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Electric Rate Study

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Myers to authorize Superintendent Hudson to sign the agreement with Utility Financials Solutions, LLC to perform a rate study on Village of Sebewaing electrical rates.

Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

DPW

Trustee Myers reported on regular DPW activity.

Police Committee Report

Trustee Kunding gave an update on departmental activity.

Motion by Kunding seconded by Driscoll to increase irregular part-time employee wage from \$18.00 to \$20.00 dollars per hour effective April 1, 2021.

Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

Office Admin Committee

Treasurer/Administrative Assistant Wage Increase

Motion by Driscoll seconded by Chisholm to approve a \$1.00 wage increase for the Village of Sebewaing Treasurer for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 effective April 1 of Fiscal Year.

Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: nay; Kunding: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Driscoll seconded by Kunding to approve a \$1.00 wage increase for the Village Office Administrative Assistant for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 effective April 1 of Fiscal Year.

Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

ICMA 401a Contribution Increase

Motion by Driscoll seconded by Kunding approve the increase for the Village of Sebewaing ICMA 401A plan for unrepresented full-time office personnel-Village Clerk to a 12% employer contribution with a minimum employee contribution of 5% effective April 1, 2021.

Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: nay; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: nay; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Driscoll to approve the Village of Sebewaing Employee Compensatory Time Policy as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

New Business

2020-2021 Budget Amendment

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to amend the 2020-2021 Fiscal year Police Budget for an increase of \$9,500, effective March 15, 2021.

Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

2021 Tax Millage Rate

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve the 2021 Calendar Year millage rate of 14.5514; which includes 10.6894 for Village General Operating and 3.862 for Village Streets.

Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget

Motion by Sting seconded by Gunsell to approve the adoption of the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget for the Village of Sebewaing as presented.

Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

Easter Egg Hunt - Grounds Use Application

Motion by Sting seconded by Driscoll to approve the Sebewaing Chamber of Commerce Ground's Use application for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 3, 2021.

Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

Discussion on a Zoning Permit located at 680 Davis St. It was a consensus of Council to send the zoning permit to the Sebewaing Planning Commission for a ruling at their next meeting held Thursday, March 25, 2021.

Other Business

December Monthly Bills

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$252,326.20.

Kunding: yea; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.
MOTION CARRIED

Discussion on letter from property owner located at 812 Beck Street. No action.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Julie Epperson
President, Village of Sebewaing

Travis Youatt
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing