

**VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING**  
**Regular Council Meeting – May 17, 2021**

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

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

Absent:

Others: Travis Youatt

Changes made to the agenda.

Motion by Sting seconded by Driscoll to approve the agenda for this meeting as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Driscoll seconded by Chisholm to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2021 regular council meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**Public Comment**

None

**Committee Reports**

**Light & Water Committee Report**

Trustee Chisholm reported on regular Light & Water Department activity.

Operating Report

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

MOTION CARRIED

Financial Reports

Motion by Sting seconded by Myers to approve the Financial Report for Sebewaing Light & Water Department ending March 31, 2021 submitted by Superintendent Charlene Hudson.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Sewer Reimbursement & Credit

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Myers to authorize the reimbursement of \$190,916.00 for the billing error of sewer usage for account 04-2557 in the months of August 2020 to January 2021 and to issue a credit to the account where the billing error occurred.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Parcel of Land

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Myers to approve posting for sale parcel B under the supervision of Charlene Hudson.

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

MOTION CARRIED

## **DPW**

Trustee Driscoll reported on regular DPW activity.

### DPW Seasonal Position

Motion by Sting seconded by Myers to authorize the office and DPW Superintendent, Matthew Bumhoffer to advertise for a DPW seasonal position.

Kundinger: absent; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

## **Police Committee Report**

Trustee Gunsell gave an update on departmental activity.

### Compensatory Time

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve the Rollover of compensatory time for the Police Dept. to the next fiscal year providing the proper documentation has been received by the Clerk, Travis Youatt.

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

MOTION CARRIED

## **Office Admin Committee**

Trustee Driscoll and the Clerk gave an update on departmental activity.

Travis Youatt, Village Office Administrator and Melinda Driscoll interviewed one applicant for the posting of the Office Administrative Assistant position.

## **New Business**

### Western Thumb Women's Softball League Games

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Driscoll to approve the Western Thumb Women's Softball League Games application for the use of the South Park Diamond (Henry Street) on Tuesday and/or Thursday nights at 7:00 PM & 8:30 PM game times from May 18, 2021 to July 15, 2021 league will set up and tear down each night of play.

MOTION CARRIED

### USA Pride Softball

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Myers to approve USA Pride Softball application for the use of 127 South Third Street (Main Park) Diamond and bathrooms from May 4, 2021 to August 11, 2021 Monday through Thursday for regular softball games.

MOTION CARRIED

### VFW Post #4115 – Memorial Day Parade Request

Motion by Myers seconded by Sting to approve the VFW Post #4115 application for the use of North Center Street and Muellerweiss Park to hold a Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31, 2021 at 10:30 AM with ceremonies at the Muellerweiss Park immediately following parade. The parade begins at the Sebewaing Firehall parking lot.

MOTION CARRIED

Chamber of Commerce - Farmer's Market of Sebewaing

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve Chamber of Commerce application for the use of Muellerweiss Park at 14 W Sebewaing Street to hold a Farmer's Market on Sundays beginning June 27, 2021 to September 2021 between the hours of 11:00AM to 4:00PM.

MOTION CARRIED

43 North Seventh Street - Chickens

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Driscoll to approve the request from the resident at 43 North Seventh Street to raise meat chickens (Broilers), with a maximum of 10 chickens.

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

MOTION CARRIED

27 Union Street Grant Resolution – Resolution #01-2021-2022

Resolved by Chisholm seconded by Kunding to approve the Resolution #01-2021-2022 between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Village of Sebewaing for the Grant Application as presented.

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

RESOLUTION CARRIED

Land Acquisition Project Agreement

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve the Land Acquisition Project and Agreement between the Michigan Natural Resources and the Village of Sebewaing as presented and authorize the Village President and Clerk to sign on behalf of the Village of Sebewaing.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Michigan Sugar Festival Parade Route

Motion by Sting seconded by Driscoll to approve the Michigan Sugar Festival Grand Parade Route on June 19, 2021 at 10:30 A.M. to begin on Pine Street (M25) down North Center Street to East Main Street to end at the intersection of East Main Street and South Beck Street (M25).

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

MOTION CARRIED

Part-time Administrative Assistant Position

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Driscoll to approve the hiring of Laura Horkey as a part-time Administrative Assistant with a starting wage of \$16.96 per hour beginning May 24, 2021.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Travis Youatt will conduct a 90-day review with Laura Horkey.

Trustee Resignation

Trustee, Scott Myers informed Council that he will regretfully be resigning.

Motion by Kundingler seconded by Chisholm to accept the resignation of Trustee Scott Myers effective May 31, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED

**Other Business**

Monthly Bills

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$319,966.72

Gunsell: yea; Kundingler: absent; Myers: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

**Public Comment**

None.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Julie Epperson  
President, Village of Sebewaing

Travis Youatt  
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing