VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING Regular Council Meeting – May 20, 2024

The meeting was called to order, in the Village Council Chambers, by President Epperson at 7:00 PM.

Present: Scott Adam, Dennis Kundinger, Rob Snider, Marcus Sting, Julie Epperson Absent: Loraine Garcia, Aaron Kuhl Others: Rod and Noreen Tietz, Sami Khoury, Wayne Volz, Doug Deming, Steve Repkie, Charlene Hudson, Linda Engelhardt, Justin Fritz, Dena Kish

IV. Agenda – May 20, 2024

<u>Motion</u> by Sting seconded by Kundinger to approve the agenda for this meeting, as presented. MOTION CARRIED

V. Approval of Minutes

<u>Motion</u> by Sting seconded by Snider to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2024 Regular Council, May 3, 2024 Light and Water Committee, and May 6, 2024 DPW, Administration, and Police Committee minutes, as presented. MOTION CARRIED

VII. Public Comments. Sami Khoury, Huron County Commissioner updated the Council on county activities. A blighted property and traffic speed in the Historical Downtown District were discussed.

IX. Committee and Commission Reports

A. Department of Public Works (DPW) Committee. Trustee Kundinger provided updates.

<u>Motion</u> by Kundinger seconded by Snider to approve the asphalt bid from Dubs Company LLC for paving behind the Municipal Building at a cost of \$9,500.00.

Adam: yea; Garcia: absent; Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

<u>Motion</u> by Kundinger seconded by Sting to approve a \$1.00 pay raise for Marcus Deering for knowledge and experience, effective May 21, 2024.

Garcia: absent; Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Sting: yea; Adam: yea; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Kundinger seconded by Snider to approve the American Legion / VFW Memorial Day Service to be held May 27, 2024, as presented.

B. Office Administration Department. Updates were provided by President Epperson. Employee Handbook and Trustee Policy recommendations are due to the Administration Office by May 24, 2024.

<u>Motion</u> by Kundinger seconded by Adam to approve the fireworks permit for American Fireworks Company for the display of fireworks for the 2024 Michigan Sugar Festival on June 15, 2024 with a rain date of June 16, 2024 for the Sebewaing Area Chamber of Commerce on the Sebewaing Township Airport property at 651 West Sebewaing Street per the Village of Sebewaing Ordinance §103: Sale, Possession, or Use of Fireworks. Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Sting: yea; Adam: yea; Garcia: absent; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

C. Police Department. Trustee Sting updated the council.

Discussion was held concerning the creation of a new employment classification and the purchase of a police vehicle, which were referred back to the Police Committee.

D. Light and Water Department. Trustee Sting reported on the monthly activity.

Motion by Sting seconded by Kundinger to approve the Financial Statement for Sebewaing Light & Water Department ending March 31, 2024 submitted by Superintendent Hudson. Sting: yea; Adam: yea; Garcia: absent; Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Sting seconded by Snider to approve the Operating Statistics Report for Sebewaing Light & Water Department ending March 31, 2024 submitted by Superintendent Hudson. MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Sting seconded by Kundinger to approve the Sebewaing Light & Water purchase of KnowBe4 security awareness training at a cost of \$2,782.00, as presented. Adam: yea; Garcia: absent; Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

X. Unfinished Business

A. 249 North Center Street. No updates.

B. 8871 South Unionville Road.

<u>Motion</u> by Snider seconded by Kundinger to approve the 10-year lease with the Sebewaing Chamber of Commerce for the use of 8871 South Unionville Road, Village of Sebewaing Property ID #3239-017-021-00, to maintain the "Welcome to Sebewaing" boat and to assume responsibility for all utilities including electricity.

Garcia: absent; Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Sting: yea; Adam: yea; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

XII. Other Business

A. Downtown Development Authority (DDA). No meeting.

B. Harbor Commission. Trustee Snider updated the council. No minutes were provided to the council.

C. Planning Commission. No meeting.

D. Monthly Bills

Motion by Sting seconded by Snider to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$194,040.44.

Kuhl: absent; Kundinger: yea; Snider: yea; Sting: yea; Adam: yea; Garcia: absent; Epperson: yea. MOTION CARRIED

XIII. Public Comments. A resident discussed ways to make your home and vehicles safer to prevent crime.

XIV. Council Comments. The blight demolition grant properties were discussed.

XVI. Adjournment

Motion by Snider seconded by Sting to adjourn the regular council meeting at 8:33 PM. MOTION CARRIED

Julie Epperson President, Village of Sebewaing Dena Kish Clerk, Village of Sebewaing