

VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING
Regular Council Meeting – July 19, 2021

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

Present: Matthew Chisholm, Julie Epperson, Bill Glaab, Brandy Gunsell, Dennis Kunding, Marcus Sting
Absent: Melinda Driscoll
Others: Travis Youatt

Approval of the agenda.

Motion by Sting seconded by Gunsell to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2021 regular council meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment

Sammi Khoury provided information on County government affairs.
A member of the public spoke on issue concerning the DPW department.

Committee Reports

Office Admin Committee

Trustee Chisholm and Clerk Youatt gave an update on departmental activity.

Zoning Administrator Car Allowance

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Kunding to approve a \$150.00 per month car allowance for the zoning administrator effective immediately and retroactive pay for the month of June.
Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Police Chief Raise

Moved to go into closed session.

Return from closed session.

Motion by Chisholm to approve the \$1.00 raise for the Police Chief effective July 1, 2021, per Council recommendation, specified in motion passed at February 19, 2018 Council Meeting.
No Second.

MOTION DIES

Fitness for Duty Policy

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Gunsell to approve the Fitness for Duty Policy as presented.
Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

DPW Committee

Vactor Truck Repair

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve the repair of the Vactor truck at a cost not to exceed \$4,600.00.

Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Pickleball Courts

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Gunsell to approve the installation of 2 Pickleball Courts at a cost not to exceed \$1,200.00.

Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Main Park Dugouts

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to approve the construction of two dugouts at the Main Park Ball Diamond at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00 contingent upon the acceptance of a donation provided by USA Pride to cover the cost of one dugout.

Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Police Committee

Trustee Gunsell gave an update on departmental activity.

Light and Water Committee

Trustee Chisholm reported on regular Light & Water Department activity.

Operating Report ending May 31, 2021

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

MOTION CARRIED

Financial Statement ending May 31, 2021

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Sting to approve the Financial Statement for Sebewaing Light & Water Department ending May 31, 2021 submitted by Superintendent Charlene Hudson.

Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Office Hours

Motion by Chisholm seconded by Sting to approve Sebewaing Light and Water to change their office hours Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., effective July 20, 2021.

Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Conflict-of-Interest Policy

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve the Conflict-of-Interest Policy as presented. Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

SEARCH Grant Resolution

Resolved by Gunsell seconded by Sting to authorize Superintendent Hudson to apply for the SEARCH Grant funding through the USDA and authorize Julie Epperson, Village President, and Travis Youatt, Clerk, to sign on behalf of the Village of Sebewaing as presented. Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Epperson: yea.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

OTHER BUSINESS

Monthly Bills

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Chisholm to approve the bills for the month in the amount of \$110,640.92. Gunsell: yea; Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

DDA Meeting – July 6, 2021

DDA By-Laws Update

Motion by Gunsell seconded by Kunding to update the DDA By-Laws under Article 4: Powers and Duties #3 to read: Meetings will be held the second Tuesday of January, April, July and October at 2:00 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers effective immediately.

MOTION CARRIED

Board Member – Resident Position

Motion by Sting seconded by Kunding to appoint Emma Kauffold to fill the vacant Board Member – Resident position expiring October 2023 effective immediately. Kunding: yea; Sting: yea; Chisholm: yea; Driscoll: absent; Glaab: yea; Gunsell: yea; Epperson: yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the regular council meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Julie Epperson
President, Village of Sebewaing

Travis Youatt
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing