

Village of Oakley

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May 14, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:01PM

Pledge of Allegiance was waived due to being said at the Public Hearing.

Roll call: Trustee Kelly, Trustee T. Fish, Trustee Scheuneman, President Fish and Clerk Hart were all present. Trustee Schrems was absent.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the agenda, seconded by Kelly. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the April minutes as read, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the Police Report as read, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

DPW/Wastewater

Fish reported that everything is going smoothly at the lagoons. He is making progress moving the chemical barrels. The pump station is working well.

Fish reported that he has been patching streets all over the village, he said the heavy rain does not help. Fish suggested we might want to have a village wide cleanup day and rent a dumpster so residents can come dump large items. He mentioned the great success our last tire drive hosted by the Saginaw County Mosquito Abatement was. Fish said he picked up discarded furniture around town and dumped it.

Guest Speakers/Public Comment on Current Agenda

None

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Old Business

The Public Hearing was held to add the following amendments:

Section 4.3 Supplementary Dwelling Regulations part b) Dwelling Installation 1)

Dimensions. All single-family dwellings must have a minimum width across all front, side, and rear elevations of twenty (20) feet and must comply in all respects with the Michigan Building Code, including minimum heights for habitable rooms.

Roll call vote: Scheuneman Yes, T. Fish No, Kelly Yes, Fish No, Schrems was absent. The vote was 2-2 and the amendments to the zoning ordinance failed.

Clerk Hart presented copies of a sample Chicken ordinance from Brooklyn, MI. Fish suggested that the Planning Commission could start working on this.

New Business

President Fish wants the village to apply for the MDOT Category B Grant. He explained it is for small villages of under 10,000 residents and we could be awarded up to \$250,000. The village would have to match those funds. Fish explained that is why he has been building the street funds up the way he has so we have the funds available for large projects. If granted, Woodard Street from Brady to 4th Street would be repaved. Fish would like to hire Spicer as our proxy to apply for the grant on our behalf.

The council was presented with 2 resolutions. 2024-1 will give Spicer the authority to act on our behalf, 2024-2 will be submitted with the Grant application.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept resolution 2024-1 A resolution of the Village of Oakley allowing Spicer Group to act on their behalf to complete the MDOT Category B Grant Application, seconded by T. Fish. Roll call vote: Kelly Yes, Scheuneman Yes, T. Fish Yes, Fish Yes, Schrems absent. Resolution passed and was adopted.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept resolution 2024-2 A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A REQUEST FOR FUNDING, DESIGNATE AN AGENT, ATTEST TO THE EXISTENCE OF FUNDS AND COMMIT TO IMPLEMENTING A MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CRUSHING, SHAPING, AND PAVING OF WOODARD STREET FROM BRADY STREET TO 4TH STREET, FUNDED BY THE TRANSPORTATION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND CATEGORY B PROGRAM, seconded by T. Fish. Roll call vote: Kelly Yes, Scheuneman Yes, T. Fish yes, Fish Yes, Schrems absent. Resolution passed and adopted.

Scheuneman made a motion to pay bills, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

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Public Comment

A resident asked if it would be possible to move from a village to a city, the council did not have a clear answer but Fish said we could research it. A resident asked if the side of the roads on Sharon Street will be mowed, Fish said Schneider's will do it. A resident asked if more REU's could be added to the Oakley Community Church and D'ss since they have operating restaurants. Fish explained each REU is based on federal guidelines. The federal regulations are 200 gallons a day per person for 1 REU. The same resident asked why there is still a four way stop sign on Woodard and if the other two stop signs will be removed. Clerk Hart asked if it was a concern. The same resident asked if the village was involved in the LESO/1033 program again and if so, what have we got. Chief Ferguson and President Fish both said yes and President Fish said we had gotten some tools and a generator that he uses at the lagoons. The same resident asked if Chief Ferguson was a certified Police Chief through the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police. Chief Ferguson said he was not a part of that association but he is still a Police Chief. Clerk Hart asked President Fish if the village had an ordinance appointing a police chief, Fish said yes. Scheuneman said there were some kids walking around town late Saturday night spray painting on the roads. Chief Ferguson said he will investigate it.

Scheuneman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM.

Village of Oakley Clerk,

Jennifer M. Hart