# Village of Oakley

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January 14, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Trustee T. Fish, Trustee Scheuneman, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Schrems, and President Fish were all present.

Scheuneman made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to approve the December minutes as read, seconded by Kelly. Motion carried.

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

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

#### DPW/Wastewater

Fish reported there has been some major failures at the lagoons, including electrical and pump malfunctions. He hired Kennedy's to come out and perform service. Parts have been ordered for the valves.

Guest Speakers/Public Comment on Current Agenda

A resident inquired why the police department performs liquor inspections. Fish said he completed one annually.

A resident asked why the verdict of a court case Chief Ferguson attended was not on his police report. Clerk Hart reported that he has never indicated case results on a report and that would have to be directed to Chief Ferguson who was not in attendance at the time.

### **Old Business**

Clerk Hart reported her findings to the council that she received from EGLE about making extra payments on either the old sewer loan or new loan. She read an email from Carrie Williamson Moody who said the overall interest payment the village pays would lessen but the portion residents pay does not since it is a 40-year bond.

The council discussed taking \$50,000 out of the O&M CD to make an extra payment on the old sewer loan.

The old loan still has a balance of \$1,091,000 and the new loan balance is \$153,000.

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Scheuneman made a motion to make an extra payment of \$50,000 to loan 92-14 from the O&M CD, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

#### **New Business**

Justin from Zaremba Group and Whitney the engineer for the new Dollar General project at 18875 Oakley Road were in attendance to discuss their plans.

The planning commission requested a motion to rezone 18875 to R1A to B2.

Scheuneman made a motion to rezone 18875 Oakley Road from R1A to B2, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Clerk Hart presented a Resolution that was requested from MDOT for them to move forward with the road project on Woodard Street.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept a resolution by and between the Village of Oakley and the Michigan Department of Transportation to accept the contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the purpose of agreeing to improvements in Oakley, Michigan, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-1 has been declared adopted.

President Fish reported that both furnaces at the hall are on their last leg. He is getting a quote on the secondary furnace as he feels that one is in the worst shape.

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

#### **Public Comment**

A resident expressed his concern for the street project on Woodard being a waste of money. He feels we need to maintain the streets we have and fill in potholes and does not think that is being done.

Residents were concerned with the elevator traffic and asked if they can be sent out of Oakley because they are ruining the streets on Woodard and second. President Fish said they make up 50% of our tax base.

A resident asked why have the police in Oakley and are we collecting money for traffic citations. Clerk Hart read an email from MCOLES concerning LED funds and how the village does not work enough hours to collect those funds and there is still a problem with getting Saginaw County citations money. She asked if he was a certified officer, Scheuneman said as far

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as she knew he was. Clerk Hart asked Chief Ferguson if he was certified and he answered yes. He explained you only get one certification not one every so many years.

President Fish said the marijuana dispensary should be open soon, they finished their pre licensing inspection and have an inspection Wednesday with the Bureau of Fire and Safety. President Fish said that next year we should start seeing increased revenue sharing from the marijuana dispensary.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:13PM.

Village of Oakley Clerk,

Jennifer M. Hart