

Morley Village Regular Council Meeting

**MINUTES**

189 S Cass St (Village Hall)

June 14, 2021

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** at 7:00 PM by President Petersen

**Present:** Henry Petersen, President; Paul Block, Trustee; Sandra Leal, Trustee; Serine Petersen, Trustee; Nicholas Drost (7:04), Trustee; Linda Kizer, Trustee; and Robert Jusino, Trustee; Terry Stilson, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer and Julie Berry, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk.

**Absent:** None.

**Guests:** Dana Myers (COP), Shawn Scaggs, Walt Dosch (maintenance), and Janet Dosch.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC MATTERS AND COMMENTS:** Kizer thanked members for the arrangement for her husband's funeral.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Block motioned to accept the consent agenda, as presented, and S. Petersen supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Roll call vote: Yes – H. Petersen, Block, Leal, S. Petersen, Kizer, Jusino.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Administration & Finance:**

— **Celebration on the Pond (COP) Contract**

- Myers reported that the 10-year contract between the COP and Village expires this year. The COP would like to use the grounds for other things in addition to the truck pull. They will be having a Rodeo on August 14. Consensus of the Council was that this was okay if they had insurance for each event. Myers is discussing the changes to the contract with the Village attorney and will have it before the next meeting.
- Myers also distributed an “Event Registration and Agreement for the Use of Celebration Acres”. Stilson asked that insureds be the COP and Village of Morley under 1. Myers will have the attorney add this. The Council will review and approve at the next meeting. Stilson asked Myers if they would keep the Village informed of each event they hold at the grounds because she gets phone calls about their events.

— **Payroll Policy – A Council Committee met on May 26 to discuss the Pay Raise Policy. S. Petersen motioned to accept the policy, with changes given, and Drost supported. Motion passed unanimously.**

Roll call vote: Yes – H. Petersen, Block, Leal, S. Petersen, Kizer, Jusino, Drost. The approved policy follows:

1. Pay Raise Policy
  - a. Hiring Rates
    - i. Based on experience
  - b. Annual Review
    - i. Will be conducted by the Village President and another Board member.
  - c. Employee Pay Raises
    - i. Not less than the previous calendar year's cost-of-living average percentage, rounded up to the nearest half percent. This will be an automatic raise based on a good employee review.
    - ii. An incentive wage increase can also be awarded based on the annual review.

— **Facebook – S. Petersen will meet with Teresa Havens to get this straightened out.**

**Police, Fire & Rescue:**

- **Officer Review – H. Petersen stated that the Policeman's review will be held the next day at 6:00 PM. Any Council member is welcome to attend.**

**Streets & Sidewalk:**

- **Third Street Line Painting** – Stilson has been trying to get a quote for the painting but hasn't received one yet. H. Petersen stated that he will make the decision when the quote arrives.
- **Two Mile Road brine** – Dosch stated that the County talked with him about residents' complaints that the gravel portion of Two Mile Road in the Village, needs brining. Stilson reported she received a quote from the county for \$140 a mile and since it is less than a ½ mile it would be \$70 each time or less. If we wanted them to do the blading beforehand it would cost no more than \$100 each time. The County annually brines the roads three times, and one time has already been done this summer. H. Petersen stated that the Village could do the blading and Dosch will measure the stretch of road. **Jusino motioned to accept the price for brining Two Mile Road with Block's support. Motion passed unanimously.**

Roll call vote: Yes – H. Petersen, Block, Leal, S. Petersen, Kizer, Jusino, Drost.  
Stilson will call the County to have them draft the contract.

**Events & Festivals:**

- Kizer asked whether the Village wanted to have inflatables at the Car Show during the COP. Consensus of the Council was to obtain the inflatables.

**Millpond & Dam:**

- Dosch stated that the engineer has discussed different types of gates for the dam. H. Petersen reported several local companies are interest in bidding the job.

**Parks & Recreation:**

- **MCCF grant** – S. Petersen announced that the MCCF will provide \$3215 in grant funding for playground equipment and we didn't have to have any match. \$400 has also been received in the sale of the old equipment. She is looking into playscapes. Dosch stated that she should talk to D&K Welding about the equipment. S. Petersen and Stilson are drafting a questionnaire for the July newsletter to get feedback about the equipment and about the parks. S. Petersen will wait until she received the feedback before deciding what equipment the Village should obtain. Berry stated to add a question about what the public would like for playground equipment (on the questionnaire).

**Building, Grounds, Equipment & Employees:** None.

**Health & Safety:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **Survey of Municipal Grounds** – H. Petersen is still waiting for the surveyor to finish.
- **Driveway permit on Cass & First** – Stilson stated that she has been trying since May 10 to get in touch with EGLE (DEQ) about the property and just recently received an email about the criteria for the driveway. She had hoped that a state employee would come and look at it but did not have any success. She forwarded the email to Powell's Excavating who applied for the permit, and they will look into it now.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:** Dosch reported that the County will soon be ditching along the guardrails by the dam.

**ADJOURNMENT:** H. Petersen adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Terry Stilson, Village of Morley Clerk