

Morley Village Regular Council Meeting

MINUTES

189 S Cass St (Village Hall)

May 11, 2020

APPROVED MINUTES

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

Present: Henry Petersen, President; Serine Petersen, Trustee (7:03); Teresa Havens, Trustee; Roger Polston, Trustee (7:01); Paul Block, Trustee; Linda Kizer, Trustee; Robert Jusino, Trustee; and Terry Stilson, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer.

Absent: Julie Berry, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk.

Guests: James Taylor, Walt Dosch (maintenance) and Janet Dosch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC MATTERS AND COMMENTS:

- Walt Dosch reported that it is time to plant flowers under the Morley signs and he needs to have volunteers to plant, weed, and water. Walt has been doing this since he was hired.
 - Stilson volunteered to do the one on East Jefferson.
 - Kizer said they can be bought by the Village funds.
 - (Later in the meeting) S. Petersen stated that she thought perennials should be planted and will organize this.
- James Taylor, undersheriff for Mecosta County, reported:
 - He has been undersheriff since 2010 and previously worked at the Big Rapids Police Department.
 - Oversees 4.4-million-dollar budget and oversees 51 employees plus volunteers.
 - Completes all the grant work for the department.
 - His goals:
 - Continual presence in entire County (police presence outside of complaints).
 - Office open for communications.
 - Handle complaints face to face.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

- Under Health & Safety – Procedure & Response Plan
- Under Building, Grounds, Equipment & Employees – Sale of water

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

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration & Finance: None.

Police, Fire & Rescue:

- **Video Surveillance Policy** – Kizer motioned to approve this policy as presented with Havens’s support. Motion passed unanimously.

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

- **Havens will email everyone the stats for April.**

Streets & Sidewalk:

- **Drain Grant update** – no word yet.
- **Reith Riley Pavement** – Stilson reported that they have said they will begin the first week of June.
- **Street Ordinance** – tabled until next meeting.
- **Street Grant** – Stilson distributed copies of the proposal which is due June 1.
- **Kinney Parking Lot and Dam Parking Lot** – Received two bids. Walt Dosch suggested calling for more bids. H. Petersen stated that we would wait another month and then advertise again.
- **Bridge Inspection proposal** – Block stated the figures are off. Stilson will check with Link Engineering.

Events & Festivals:

— Kizer stated, due to the COVID19 crisis, we will skip the Fishing for Family event held normally in June.

Millpond & Dam: None.

Parks & Recreation:

— **Park Ordinance** – Havens said they have not heard from the attorney as of this date.

— **Latimer Park** –

- The consensus of the Council was to start allowing people to rent the park in June, unless the quarantine is extended.
- The tape will come off the benches and other things.
- Polston stated that notices, like at the Lakeview parks, could be posted. Stilson will make some.
- **S. Petersen motioned to accept the Latimer agreement changes with Block's support. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

- Polston said there should be signs on the bathroom doors saying they are cleaned only once per day Monday through Thursday. Stilson will make some signs.

Building, Grounds, Equipment & Employees:

— **Water Purchase** – H. Petersen reported a person would like to purchase up to 35,000 gallons of water through the hydrant system. The consensus of the Council was not to allow this at this time.

— **Furnace Bids for Police/Fire Station** – **Kizer motioned to accept the bid from Mike Tronsen (for \$2,455) with Block supporting the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

— **Cleanup Day for the Village** – **Kizer motioned to hold a cleanup day, for Village residents only, with up to 3 rollofs, behind the maintenance building, on June 13, from 8:00 AM-noon with Stilson sending out postcards. Polston supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

Health & Safety:

— **COVID-19 Procedure & Response Plan** – Polston distributed a plan from the Chamber of Commerce. **Polston motioned to accept the Plan, using our information, with Jusino's support. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• **War Memorial** – tabled until next meeting

• **Committee researching employee raise policy**

— H. Petersen stated he needs to reach out to more people.

— Walt Dosch stated that this has gone on too long since he asked for an increase last year and this year. He stated that he is giving his two-week notice.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: H. Petersen adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Stilson, Clerk, Village of Morley