



VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Lutke at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Case, Christensen, Long, Lutke, Newcomb and Suppes
Absent: Bahle
Staff present: Fay, Larrea and Miller

Approval of Agenda

Case moved, Suppes seconded, CARRIED, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Consent Agenda

Christensen moved, Case seconded, CARRIED, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Village Council Regular meeting minutes of January 21, 2020 presented and submitted by Clerk Fay are approved. The minutes can be found in this meeting packet. The Payment of Invoices submitted by Treasurer DeVol are approved and can be found in this meeting packet. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Public Comment/Communications and Reports

Brian Buysee stated he submitted a comment last month regarding loud snow mobiles, and the Clerk followed up by providing him a copy of the Ordinance. Buysee stated the ordinance is 49 years old and a lot has changed since then, noting snow mobiles are louder and faster. Buysee would like the Village to consider restricting snow mobile use in residential areas. He further stated the snow mobiles violate the noise ordinance.

Sue Gentges stated the Library board president, John Krug, is retiring after 20 years, and that Sandy Boone has been appointed as the new president for the Suttons Bay/Bingham District Library.

Appointments

President Lutke nominated Bill Perkins to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term ending 2023. Case moved, Suppes seconded, CARRIED, to appoint Bill Perkins to the ZBA for a term ending 2023. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Report VSB-2020-14 Broadway Water Discussion

Council discussed two options to address the excessive water on Broadway Street. One option is to form a draining district which was previously presented by Drain Commissioner Steve Christensen and Engineer Brian Cenci. This comprehensive option would require the

Village and residents affected relinquishing control over selected property long term, and would involve other entities such as the Township and County, at a cost of \$169,000.00 plus engineering and annual costs. The second option included a quote from KAL excavating in the amount of \$19,000 plus the cost for tree removal, and costs still unforeseen until the snow melts. This would like be a faster option of the two options. The Village would need to obtain easements from two property owners, both of which of have given verbal support, as well as permits. It was the consensus of Council members to support the option of KAL Excavating, as long as the end result is close to what a Draining District could provide. Council recommended a parallel with the draining district option in case the KAL Excavating option hit a road block. Manager Larrea will contact the Drain Commissioner about a timeline on creating a draining district and will also look into conflicting documents on ownership of some property proposed to be used with the KAL Excavating option. Larrea will provide an update at the next Council meeting.

Report VSB – 2020-11 Budget Amendment

Case moved, Christensen seconded, CARRIED, to amend budget line item 402-000-974 by \$40,000 for the purchase of a new vehicle. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Report VSB-2020-12 US BR 35 Amendment Resolution

Long moved, Christensen seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution #2020-01 in support of amending Michigan Bike Route USBR-35, by an affirmative, unanimous roll call vote. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Report VSB-2020-13 Temporary Boat Launch Closure

Suppes moved, Case seconded, CARRIED, to temporarily close the Marina boat launch for the reasons stated in Report VSB-2020-13. Council further requested a notice be placed on the Village website announcing the temporary boat launch closure. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Report VSB-2020-15 Land Division Ordinance

Christensen moved, Long seconded, CARRIED, to set a public hearing on the proposed Land Division Ordinance for March 16, 2020. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Manager's Report

Larrea reported the Parks and Rec subcommittee has opted to redistribute the Parks survey again in the spring due to a low return, noting it lacked teenage demographics. Larrea further reported that the South Shore erosion project is now complete, and that he has drafted a letter to the governor requesting reimbursement for the high-water erosion expense. Larrea will have a proposed Resolution to present to the Administrative committee in March. Larrea is expanding this effort to other communities in the surrounding area as well. Also, in March will be proposed amendments to the Fireworks Ordinance and a Zoning Map Amendment. Larrea will be attending a Rotary meeting this week. Larrea stated the Village received a 2% grant from the GT Band, and a grant for security cameras at Suttons Park. He has also been working on lot sizes in the Lake front district.

Public Comment

Lois Bahle stated that Northport Energy has rebranded itself and is now called Leelanau Energy.

Gary Cheadle suggested extending a storm drain on the north side of Broadway, noting retention ponds encourage mosquitos.

Kathy Egan thanked Village staff for their efforts on addressing the excess water on Broadway. She does have concerns however, about a retention pond by her well and the pressure it could put on her basement walls.

Donna Popke stated the Art Festival has \$8,000 to contribute to replacement trees during the streetscape project, and further presented a \$500.00 check to the Village for a tree fund.

The meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Shar Fay, Village Clerk.