

## BROOKLYN VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

June 27, 2016

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Brooklyn Village Council held on Monday, June 27, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Brooklyn Village Office, 121 N. Main Street, Brooklyn, MI.

Trustees and Officers present: **Bliven, DeJeu, Co. Douglas, Cr. Douglas, Jenson, Lutz, Roberts**

Absent: None

Others present: Guetschow, Linderman, McCutcheon

Motion made by **Jenson**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the Agenda. Ayes: All

Motion made by **Jenson**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve minutes of June 13, 2016 meeting. Ayes: All

### Public Comment:

J Blackburn expressed her concerns about the painting of buildings "railroad art" & not contracting out of services by Village staff.

P Blackburn was asking to know the status of street lights & the marking for a "Bike Path" on Constitution Avenue and the excessive barking of dogs in the Village.

D Elwell commented that the DPW Staff does more than mow; their knowledge of the Village is a valuable asset.

### Reports:

**Financial** –motion to accept the Financial report for period ending May 31, 2016 was made by **Lutz** and supported by **Roberts**. Ayes: All

**Police Dept** – Chief Elwell passed out his report. He discussed the recent shooting at Clark Lake.

### Communications:

Citizen Patriot article, June 14, 2016 – showed the difficulties the City of Jackson has had in contracting out services.

MML Press Release, May 25, 2016 – noted the reduction in funding from the state and the resulting difficulties on local municipalities.

Herald Palladium, June 12, 2016 – provided data from "SaveMICity.org" showing reduction in revenue sharing. Discussion followed regarding the reduction of funds and services.

### Discussion:

Amendments to the current "Mural Ordinance" were discussed. Various issues were discussed for inclusion/exclusion. Changes will be presented at a future Council meeting.

### Action Items:

Motion to approve rezoning of parcel #0100-19-25-227-004-02 from Suburban Residential to Multiple-Family Residential was made by **Cr Douglas**, supported by **Roberts**. Ayes: All

Resolution 2016-11 – Street Mileage "Headlee Override" to be added to ballot was presented by **Roberts**, supported by **Jenson**.

Roll call vote followed: Ayes: Roberts, Bliven, Lutz, Jenson, DeJeu Nays: Co Douglas, Cr Douglas

Resolution 2016-12 to accept the FY 2015-2016 Budget Amendments was presented by **Lutz**, supported by **Jenson**.

Roll call vote followed: Ayes: Roberts, Bliven, Co Douglas, Lutz, Cr Douglas, Jenson, DeJeu

Motion to approve the fireworks display for the Fourth of July was made by **Bliven**, supported by **Lutz**. Ayes: All

Staff Report:

DPW – Kotsch stated that they are addressing the “Snake” situation at Swain’s Park, they will placing signs to control traffic for the July Fourth events and the need to issue a Consumer Confidence Report and that the DPW will be featured in an upcoming article in the Michigan Rural Water Association publication.

Guetschow presented his report to Council and stated that he will continue to provide articles to help educate the Council on issues of the day.

Motion to authorize payment of bills presented in the Open Invoice Report was made by **Co Douglas**, supported by **Jenson**. Ayes: All

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m. by President **DeJeu**.

**Mick Linderman**, Village Clerk