

BROOKLYN VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

January 9, 2017

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Brooklyn Village Council held on Monday, January 9, 2017, at 6:01 p.m. at the Brooklyn Village Office, 121 N. Main Street, Brooklyn, MI.

Trustees and Officers present: **Bliven, DeJeu, Jenson, Krauss, Lorenz, Lutz, Roberts**

Absent: **None**

Others present: Guetschow, Linderman, McCutcheon

Motion made by **Lutz**, supported by **Jenson**, to approve the Agenda with the amended with the addition of "Action Item 9.d. Resolution 2017-02 – MDOT Right-of-Way Permit". Ayes: All

Motion made by **Krauss**, supported by **Jenson**, to approve minutes of November 28, 2016 meeting. Ayes: All

Public Comment:

D VanHuff – American Legion Post #315 gave an update on the Fallen Soldier Memorial.

D Krasny – Congressman Walberg's Office related that they would be advocating for career technical education and healthcare reform.

Reports:

Financial – Received the financial report for the period ending December 31, 2016.

Jackson County Representative – P Duckham mentioned that there would two potential millage requests on the next election. The first is for a ½ mill for 20 years to raise funds for Lifeway's Mental Health. The second is for ¼ mill erect a new building for the YMCA.

Communications:

Michigan Downtown Association – Tax Increment Financing. Guetschow noted that this would allow the governor to use a "Pocket Veto" on legislative issues.

Discussion:

2016 Permit Fee Holiday Report. Guetschow presented an analysis of 2016's findings.

Internet and Email Use Policy (#108) – Revised. Guetschow presented the revised policy as it relates to the retention period.

Electronic Mail (Email) Retention Policy (#133) – Revised. Revision to policy to implement procedures/policy for retention of data.

Ready-to-Serve charge amendments. Guetschow presented information on how we are currently charging ready-to-serve rates for both water and sewer.

Action Items:

Motion was made by **Lutz**, supported by **Krauss**, to approve the new Credit Card Acceptance Policy (#132). Ayes: All

Motion was made by **Jenson**, supported by **Lutz**, to approve the Parcel Split/Combination of 404-410 N Main Street. Ayes: All

Motion was made by **Roberts**, supported by **Lutz**, to approve Resolution 2017-01 – Discontinuation of Service Policy amendment Ayes: **Roberts, Bliven, Lorenz, Lutz, Krauss, Jenson, DeJeu** Nays: None

Motion was made by **Lutz**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve Resolution 207-02 – Michigan Department of Transportation. Ayes: **Roberts, Bliven, Lorenz, Lutz, Krauss, Jenson, DeJeu** Nays: None

Staff Report:

Director of Public Works. Kotsch stated that the Village is using pure salt on the roads this season versus the slat/sand mix of previous years. The disbursement is being controlled by new equipment on the truck to control costs. All Christmas decorations have been taken down with the exception of the banner over Main Street which is waiting for equipment to arrive from the City of Jackson for removal. The Boulevard Gazebo is slated for repair this Spring.

Manager - Guetschow asked for permission to negotiate on behalf of the Village on the property located at 168 S Main. The sale of property at 175 S Main has been postponed until next week on advisement from the Village Attorney. The four parcels in Lighthouse Village will be bundled for sale.

A motion to authorize payment of bills presented in the Open Invoice Report was made by **Jenson**, supported by **Lutz**. Ayes: **All**

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. by President **DeJeu**.

Mick Linderman, Village Clerk