

**BROOKLYN VILLAGE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF
December 11, 2017**

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Brooklyn Village Council held on Monday, December 11, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at the Brooklyn Village Office, 121 North Main Street, Brooklyn, MI.

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

Absent: **None** Others present: **Guetschow, Linderman, Lucas, McCutcheon**

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Lutz**, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: **All**.

Motion by **Krauss**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the Minutes of November 27, 2017. Ayes: **All**.

Public Comment:

T Knutson passed out a letter from a property owner and spoke against the C.I.A.

D Nowacki expressed his opinion of additional taxation.

B Linenfelser gave comments regarding the proposed C.I.A.

Reports:

Code Enforcement Officer – report included in packet.

Fire Department – Chief Cota reviewed his report which was included in the packet.

The Financial Report for the period ending November 30, 2017 was received.

Chief Elwell passed out his monthly report and review it with Council.

Communications:

A letter from D Ross dated November 30, 2017 was received giving Council an update on the Old Irish Mill Project.

Discussion:

Fiscal Year 2017 Audit – No questions were present by Council.

Corridor Improvement Authority: Ordinance 2017-12-01

DeJeu discussed the benefits of the C.I.A. to the Village

Attorney Lucas compared the C.I.A. to the DDA.

Discussion followed as to why now is the time to implement the C.I.A.

Public Comment:

T Knutson spoke as to why he felt tax dollars should continue to leave the Village.

F Lucas clarified what the C.I.A. funds could be used for.

M Schepeler suggested that the Village delay implementation of the C.I.A.

T Mahr spoke against the size of the “footprint” of the proposed C.I.A.

T Weaver gave his opinion against changing the status quo.

Action Items:

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve The Fiscal Year 2017 Audit Report.

Ayes: **All**.

Motion by **Bliven**, supported by **Lorenz**, to approve the 2018 Holiday Schedule. Ayes: **All**.

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the 2018 Annual Appointments. Ayes: **All**.

Motion by **Roberts**, supported by **Krauss**, to table Ordinance 2017-12-01 – Corridor Improvement Authority. Motioned passed 5-2.

Staff Reports:

DPW Director Kotsch reported that the new truck has been received and is in service.

Village Manager: Guetschow reported that the Area Agency on Aging is having an Open House on December 21st from 2:30 – 4:30 pm and all Council members are invited. He also announced that the Village Office would be operating on limited hours the week of December 25th.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. by President **DeJeu**.

Respectfully submitted,

Mick Linderman, Village Clerk