

BROOKLYN VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

June 12, 2017

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Brooklyn Village Council held on Monday, June 12, 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, Roberts**

Absent: **Lutz** Others present: Guetschow, Linderman

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

Motion made by **Jenson**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve minutes of May 22, 2017. Ayes: All

Public Comments: S Hicks (137 Sherman) in regards to allowing larger accessory buildings on residential lots in the Village.

Reports:

Fire Department – Chief Cota reviewed his report that was included in the Council packet. He noted that he recently issued a citation for illegal burning within the Village.

Financial – report for the period ending May 31, 2017 was received.

Jackson County Representative – P Duckham stated that a request to install fiber optic communication lines in the refurbished 911 Building was presented. Tax foreclosure sale is slated for August 2, 2017 and will include 150 properties within Jackson County of which 80 of these are for property only.

Communications:

A letter from Kingston, Canada was presented asking for a Proclamation promoting their 150th anniversary.

Discussion:

Guetschow presented his memo regarding the Commercial/Industrial water & sewer rates.

Clarification on the Grass & Weed ordinance was discussed. The length of time between notification and action was slated to be reduced for repeat offences in the same year.

Accessory Buildings & Structures. Discussion regarding the size of accessory buildings allowed on each property was discussed.

Discussion regarding “Off-street Parking” was perused. The need for a definition of “Recreational Vehicle” was noted.

Action Items:

Motion by **Krauss**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve Resolution 2017-15: Village of Brooklyn FY 2018 Budget Amendments.

Roberts – Yes, Bliven - Yes, Lorenz - Yes., Krauss - Yes, Jenson - Yes, DeJeu – Yes.

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the Retiree Medicare Supplement.
Motion passed 5-1

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the Audit engagement letters with Yeo & Yeo.
Ayes: All

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Lorenz**, to approve the Savoy Energy, LP – Division Order & Amendment of Oil & Gas Lease. Ayes: All

Motion by **Krauss**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve Resolution 2017-16: Water & Sewer Rates (revised).
Roberts – Yes, Bliven - Yes, Lorenz - Yes., Krauss - Yes, Jenson - Yes, DeJeu – Yes.

Motion by **Roberts**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve Ordinance 2017-06-01 – Chapter 30; Article II: Noxious Weeds (amendment).
Roberts – Yes, Bliven - Yes, Lorenz - Yes., Krauss - Yes, Jenson - Yes, DeJeu – Yes.

Motion by **Krauss**, supported by **Jenson**, to approve Ordinance 2017-06-02 – Chapter 62; Division 23: Accessory Buildings & Structures.
Roberts – Yes, Bliven - Yes, Lorenz - Yes., Krauss - Yes, Jenson - Yes, DeJeu – Yes.

Motion to table Ordinance 2017-06-03 – Chapter 62; Division 3: Off-Street Parking by **Krauss**, supported by **Bliven**. Ayes: All

Motion to table Resolution 2017-17 – Rate Schedule of Fines, Costs & Fees was made by **Bliven**, supported by **Jenson**. Ayes: All

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve the ARCA Haulers Parade – Route approval.
Ayes: All

Motion by **Roberts**, supported by **Jenson**, to approve the Kingston, Ontario, Proclamation. Ayes: All

Motion by **Krauss**, supported by **Jenson**, to approve street closures on June 15th & July 4th. Ayes: All

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Roberts**, to approve the request by Irish Hills Fireworks, LLC to hold a fireworks display adjacent to the football field at the Upper Elementary School. Ayes: All

Staff Report:

Director of Public Works - Kotsch reported that the Iron Removal Plant is scheduled to be online June 15th.

Manager - Guetschow reviewed his report and noted that revenue sharing issues are being discussed within the legislature and advised the Trustees to contact their legislators with any concerns.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. by President **DeJeu**.

Mick Linderman, Village Clerk