

BROOKLYN VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

September 25, 2017

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Brooklyn Village Council held on Monday, September 25, 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**

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

Motion by **Krauss**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the Minutes of September 11, 2017 with the change of the year of the truck from 2018 to 2017. Ayes: **All**.

Public Comment:

K Baltrus stated that she was disappointed with Council in allowing the Code Enforcement Officer to harass residents.

J Mitoska said that he has been trying to get the Village some help with Christmas decorations this year but was told they would have to wait until next year. He, also, asked if the Council could add a Public Comment section at the end of the meeting.

Reports:

Motion by **Jenson**, supported by **Lutz**, to approve the Financial Report for the period ending August 31, 2017. Ayes: **All**.

Communications:

U.S. Department of Homeland Security – Training for Rural Communities. Discussion followed that anyone interested in attending should contact the Village Manager.

Reuter's article: Appeals Court allows prayer at public meetings. Council members noted that all had read this article.

Action Items:

Motion by **Roberts**, supported by **Lutz**, to allow the Village Manager to cast the Village's ballot for the listed candidates. Ayes: **All**.

Motion by **Lutz**, supported by **Jenson**, to approve the closure of Main, Monroe, and Chicago Streets on Friday, October 6, 2017 from 4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. for the annual Homecoming Parade. Ayes: **All**.

Staff Reports:

DPW Director: The recent power outage was caused by a vehicle colliding with a power pole. Staff is making progress on Swain Park Bridge renovation and they are looking to be completed next week. The build out for the new truck is at approximately \$17,000, we will be selling the old dump box to reduce the buildout cost.

Village Manager: Guetschow provided a brief report on the Redevelopment Ready Community Report. We will be having a Public Hearing regarding the Corridor Improvement Authority at the next (10/9/17) Council meeting. A quick report on the MML Conference he attended was given.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. by President **DeJeu**.

Respectfully submitted,

Mick Linderman, Village Clerk