

**BROOKLYN VILLAGE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF
March 12, 2018**

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Brooklyn Village Council held on Monday, March 12, 2018, at 6:02 p.m. at the Brooklyn Village Office, 121 North Main Street, Brooklyn, MI.

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

Absent: **Jenson** Others present: **Guetschow, Linderman, McCutcheon**

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

Motion by **Roberts**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve the Minutes of February 26, 2018. Ayes: **All**.

DeJeu presented a Proclamation to Alissa Fish in honor of her golfing accomplishments.

Public Comment: None.

Reports:

Fire Department – Chief Cota reviewed his February 2018 report which was included in the packet. He also discussed the issues with the recent fire at 302 Case Road.

The Financial Report for the period ending February 28, 2018 was received.

Jackson County Representative – P Duckham reviewed the items that were covered at today's Committee meeting. A new refurbishing machine for the streets was approved for purchase at a cost of \$5.3 million this will allow the County to save \$100,000 per mile of street replacement cost. The Tax Foreclosure deadline is April 2, 2018.

Ad Hoc Committee – next meeting will be on Friday, March 16, 2018.

Communications:

Michigan Department of Transportation - \$175 million supplemental Act 51 distribution. This page shows that the amount coming to the Village of Brooklyn is \$10,277.32.

L.A. Times article: Smart Fusion Light Poles. This article covers wireless broadband service being supplied from decorative light poles.

Discussion:

Water & Sewer Rate Studies – A Campbell from Umbaugh & Assoc. reviewed the “cashflows” for each of the options.

Ordinance 2018.03.01 (revised) Utility Review Board ordinance & policy. Guetschow stated that this was to clarify the duties & responsibilities of the “Utility Review Board”. The consensus of

the Council was to allow 12 months for a problem with a bill to be brought before the Utility Review Board and that the decision of the Utility Review Board not be “final”.

Jackson County GIS – address & street name issues. Scott Ambs of Jackson County GIS along with Lt. Jason Hammond of Jackson County Dispatch discussed the issues with the duplication of addresses throughout the county. Phil Duckham presented the County’s point of view on the issue.

Public Comment: None

Action Items:

Motion by **Roberts**, supported by **Bliven**, to approve with amendments Ordinance 2018.03.01 – Utilities. Ayes: **All**.

Motion by **Lutz**, supported by **Krauss**, to approve the Utility Review Board – Policy and Procedures & Request Form. Ayes: **All**.

Staff Reports:

Director of Public Works – Kotsch reported that he has approached MDOT about adding items to the signs as you enter the Village. The estimated cost would be around \$1,000.00 for two signs.

Village Manager: Guetschow asked Council to review his Memo and to contact him with any questions.

Other: DeJeu brought up the possibility of adding “Stop” signs at Tiffany & Constitution along with not allowing trucks to use this route that was brought up by a resident at the last meeting. The consensus of Council was to send a letter stating that this request would not be pursued.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. by President **DeJeu**.

Respectfully submitted,

Mick Linderman, Village Clerk