

VILLAGE OF WEBBERVILLE  
115 S. Main St.  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Webberville Village Council was called to order by President Bradley Hitchcock at 6:00 pm on December 12, 2023, in the Webberville Village Hall.

Roll was called:

Present: Sandra Schoenborn, Sam Schulte, Lana Stanfield, Deborah Walter, Brad Hitchcock

Others Present:

Jessica Kuch	Clerk/Treasurer
Shane Batdorff	DPW Supervisor
Josh Rockey	WDDA Chairman
Dan McCarthy	Resident
Bruce Wallace	PEA Group
Tracy Steiner	Resident (with two guests)

The Clerk declared a quorum

**Approval of Agenda**

Recommended by President Hitchcock, so moved by Schulte, second by Schoenborn to approve the agenda. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

**Public Comment**

Chris Khorey from McKenna Associates came to the meeting to assist with answering any questions the council and tenant of Red Door apartment, Tracy Steiner, had regarding the mold in the building and the rental inspection. McKenna associates is trying to work with Red Door apartments to get a mold inspection scheduled in an appropriate amount of time for Ms. Steiners unit. They need permission from the property owner for the mold inspection before they can proceed. Ms. Steiner is to send her photos and all information to Jessica to be forwarded to McKenna and the Village council. Ms. Steiner let council know she was not happy about how the rental inspection went so Chris is going to speak with Jim and the building lead at McKenna associates.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion by Schulte, second by Schoenborn to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Reports**

- 1) Police Report: had suspicious activity at NADA's. Answered a call to the old Ford building for damage that was done to windows. Went to the school for a fight that broke out where a knife was involved. Wanted people to be aware that scammers are full force this time of year.
- 2) DPW Report: leaf and brush pickup is done for the year and will begin again in the spring. Had the new truck in the Christmas parade. Finished up the beech St/apple lane project.
- 3) Clerk/Treasurer Report: The elevator light was fixed. Still trying to collect personal property taxes. emailed bills are not working still.

- 4) WDDA Report: Have been working on the rehab of the Ford building.
- 5) Building/Zoning Report: council read over report provided.
- 6) NIESA: No new report at this time.
- 7) Attorney Report: No report Scott was at the county commissioners meeting regarding the culver property agreement.
- 8) Engineering Report: Have been working with staff and the state to get the funding process finished so we can start planning on fixing the roads in the industrial park. Also working on getting plans ready for this. Last change order for the Beech/Apple Ln Street project with reduced amount.
- 9) Advocate Report: N/A

#### **Approve 2024 Schedule**

Motion by Schulte, second by Schoenborn to approve the 2024 Village schedule. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

#### **Approve 2024-2026 Ingham County Sheriff's Contract**

Motion by Schulte, second by Schoenborn to authorize President Hitchcock to sign a one-year agreement with Ingham County Sheriff's Office for January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024 police services not to exceed \$343,395.00. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield. Nays: Walter, Hitchcock. Motion Carried.

#### **Zoning and Outdoor Storage Amendment—Set Public Hearing for 01/29/2024**

Motion by Schulte, second by Schoenborn to approve a public hearing at the January 29, 2024 meeting for the zoning and outdoor storage amendment as presented by McKenna. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

\*It was found that it was set for the wrong date.

Recommended by President Hitchcock, so moved by Schulte, second by Stanfield to pull back the public hearing date. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Schulte, second by Stanfield to approve a public hearing at the January 23, 2024 meeting for the zoning and outdoor storage amendment as presented by McKenna. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

#### **First Aid Kit and AED machine for DPW garage office**

Recommended by President Hitchcock, so moved by Schoenborn, second by Stanfield to approve have Shane get two AED machines for the garage and office plus a first aid kit not to exceed \$1,500.00. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

#### **MMTA Basic Institute—Year Two 04/21-04/26/2024**

Motion by Schoenborn, second by Schulte to approve Jessica to attend the second year of basic institute for MMTA from 4/21-4/26/2024 not to exceed \$1131.80, and to pay her milage and

meal allowance when meals are not provided. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **MAMC Basic Institute—Year Two 3/17-3/22/2024**

Recommended by President Hitchcock, so moved by Schulte, second by Stanfield to approve Jessica to attend the second year of basic institute for MAMC from 3/17-3/22/2024 not to exceed \$1,232.80, and to pay her milage and meal allowance when meals are not provided. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Stanfield, Walter, Hitchcock. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **President Pro Tem Nomination—One year**

Recommended by President Hitchcock, so moved by Schulte, second by Schoenborn to nominate Sam Schulte as president Pro tem for one year. President Hitchcock stated he liked the way things were with Mr. Schulte as President Pro Tem. Ayes: Schulte, Schoenborn, Hitchcock. Nays: Walter, Stanfield. Motion Carried.

Ms. Stanfield let council know she was honored to be nominated as the first woman president pro tem for the Village of Webberville. Although the motion did not pass, she looks forward to learning more things, and to eventually be nominated again.

Council Trustee Deborah Walter addressed the Village President, Brad Hitchcock, and President Pro Tem, Sam Schulte, regarding council attendance and gender bias. Ms. Walter brought the council to a point of order regarding these topics. Ms. Walter wanted to know if the rules are different for the Men than it is for the women when it comes to attendance. She was wondering why Mr. Schulte, President Pro Tem, was allowed to be absent six times when she was told by him, when appointed to council, that she could not miss more than three times or she would be removed from council. Ms. Walter stated that according to what was said, and our Village by laws, Mr. Schulte should be removed for his absences. Mr. Schulte denied that he told that to her, and stated that they were excused absences, and that you are removed only after three unexcused absences.

### **Village Internet**

Josh Rockey suggested we stay with WOW for now, and will try to negotiate more with the Village internet provider. He wants to see if he can find more information about Surf air internet as well. This has been tabled until more information has been found.

### **Cancel December 19<sup>th</sup> 2023 Meeting**

Leaving the meeting date pending the Ingham County Sheriffs contract.

### **Adjourn**

Motion by Schoenborn, second by Schulte to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jessica Kuch  
Clerk/Treasurer