

VILLAGE OF LAKE ODESSA
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 17, 2015
PAGE MEMORIAL BUILDING

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Banks.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Council present: Mike Brighton, Karen Banks, Mike Rudisill, Charles Jaquays, Janet Thomas, Mel McCloud

Absent: Patti Caudill

Staff present: Mark Bender, Pearl Goodemoot

Visitors present: Bonnie Mattson of J-Ad Graphics

Motion by Rudisill, support by Jaquays to approve the absence of Patti Caudill. Motion carried.

Motion by Rudisill, support by Brighton to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MINUTES

Motion by Brighton, support by Rudisill to approve minutes of the July 17, 2015 regular meeting minutes.

Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion by Thomas, support by Rudisill to approve expenditures equal to or less than \$1,500.00 for the period 07/01/2015 thru 07/31/2015. Motion carried.

Motion by McCloud, support by Thomas to approve payment of invoices in excess of \$1,500.00 items as follows:

- a) Consumers Energy - \$1,870.96
- b) Homeworks - \$3,504.00
- c) Alexander Chemical - \$2,314.00
- d) O'Mara - \$3,000.00
- e) Williams & Works - \$6,391.79

Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Rudisill support by Thomas to approve the consent agenda, as follows:

- a) Lake Odessa Zoning Report for July 2015
- b) Lakewood Wastewater regular meeting minutes for July 15, 2015
- c) Art Commission meeting minutes for July 13, 2015 and August 10, 2015
- d) Lake Odessa Community Library meeting minutes for May 27, 2015

Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Bender updated on the ivy that was planted on Third Avenue at the park caul-de-sac.

Police Report: Bender stated everything was routine.

DPW Report: Bender reported everything was routine.

Finance Report: Bender had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel/Finance Committee: There was no report.

Recreation/Special Projects Committee: McCloud updated the council on the fairgrounds and the donation of trees and the fair board is still planning to create campsites. The next fair board meeting will be held in September.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by McCloud, support by Thomas to adopt Resolution #2015-10 Post Office Naming Support. Motion carried with the following roll call vote: Yes: McCloud, Jaquays, Thomas, Brighton, Rudisill, Banks; No: None; Absent: Caudill. The resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, Donna Sauers Besko was born on August 8, 1918, and passed away on November 7, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the late Mrs. Sauers Besko was employed by the United States Postal Service in Lake Odessa, Michigan, and in 1957 became Michigan's first female postal carrier; and

WHEREAS, in 1966 the late Mrs. Sauers Besko was appointed by President Lyndon Johnson to serve as Postmaster at the Ovid, Michigan, U.S. Postal office; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Odessa, Michigan, U.S. Postal facility, located at 907 Fourth Avenue, is privately-owned by Postal Building & Leasing Co.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Keith Barket, President of Postal Building & Leasing Co., supports the naming of the Lake Odessa, Michigan, post office building in honor of the late Mrs. Sauers Besko; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Lake Odessa Village Council that the naming of the Lake Odessa, Michigan, post office building will honor the memory Mrs. Sauers Besko, who faithfully served the U.S. Postal Service for many years and who broke gender barriers, paving the way for women in the workforce during the mid-20th Century; and

WHEREAS, by so naming the Lake Odessa postal facility, the enduring gift of a living tribute will be bestowed upon the late Mrs. Sauers Besko's five surviving children, 18 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren, 41 great-great-grandchildren, and future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake Odessa Village Council supports and endorses the naming of the Lake Odessa, Michigan, postal facility in honor of the late Mrs. Donna Sauers Besko.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be delivered forthwith to U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow for her consideration.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

A proclamation from the City of Portland was received thanking the Village of Lake Odessa Police Department for assistance.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

McCloud had no comment.

Jaquays reported the Car Show on August 1 went well.

Thomas reported that Art in the Park on August 1 went well and that the Arts Commission received a lot of positive feedback.

Banks discussed the need for transportation for Art in the Park vendors between their vehicles and the park. Bender discussed how the state golf cart laws have changed to allow for local municipalities to regulate the use of golf carts

on local streets. Council discussed the use of golf carts and it was decided to hold a public informational hearing at the regular September council meeting for village residents.

Brighton had no comment.

Rudisill had no comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bonnie Mattson inquired about the odor in town. Bender explained that the village and Lakewood Wastewater has investigated all sources and have determined that there is nothing occurring that either entity could identify within their scope of work that would cause a smell.

Mattson also mentioned that the Alumni Association would not be submitting further food vendor applications for Art in the Park. President Banks explained the application process and deadlines that need to be met for advertising and publication requirements.

Motion by Thomas, support by Rudisill to adjourn. Motion carried; meeting adjourned at 7:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pearl Goodemoot
Village Clerk / Treasurer