

VILLAGE OF LAKE ODESSA
MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 5, 2024
PAGE MEMORIAL BUILDING
839 FOURTH AVENUE
LAKE ODESSA, MICHIGAN 48849

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Village President Karen Banks.

ROLL CALL

Council present: President Karen Banks, Trustee Mike Brighton, Trustee Jennnifer Hickey, Trustee Carrie Johnson, Trustee Martha Yoder

Council absent: Trustee Terri Cappon, Trustee Rob Young

Staff present: Kathy Forman, Jesse Trout

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Yoder, supported by Hickey, to approve the agenda. All ayes; motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) Travis Ackerson spoke about the annual Lake Odessa Fair Car Show and requested the funds from the Village's car show account.
- 2) Gary Mattson spoke about the Lake Odessa Fair Car Show and applauded Jesse Trout for the work he does for everyone in the community.
- 3) Nancy Mattson spoke in support of the Village's car show funds going to the Lake Odessa Fair Car Show.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Distribution of Car Show Funds:

Johnson stated the Jordan Lake Trail Board will withdraw their request for the car show funds. Banks asked if council members had any objection to the Village's car show funds being given to the Lake Odessa Fair to be used for their car show; no objections were expressed. Banks will prepare a resolution to authorize disbursement of car show funds to the Lake Odessa Fair Board.

- 2) Proposed Resolution 2024-10: Selection of Third-Party Administrator for MSHDA CDBG CHILL Grant.

A proposal from Smith Housing Consultants of Hastings, Michigan, was the sole proposal received by the deadline. Motion by Brighton, supported by Yoder, to adopt proposed Resolution 2024-10. Banks called for a roll call vote. Yes: Yoder, Brighton, Hickey, Johnson, Banks; No: None; Absent: Cappon, Young; Abstain: None. Resolution adopted 5-0.

- 3) Proposed Resolution 2024-11: Approval of Engagement Letter with Bloom Sluggett, P.C.:

Motion by Yoder, supported by Brighton, to adopt proposed Resolution 2024-11. Banks called for a roll call vote. Yes: Yoder, Brighton, Hickey, Johnson, Banks; No: None; Absent: Cappon, Young; Abstain: None. Resolution adopted 5-0.

4) Legal Opinion re: Acting Village Manager Role

Discussion was held regarding the written opinion from legal counsel. Further discussion was held regarding the current status of Village Manager recruitment. Consensus was to schedule a Village Council study session for Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 6 p.m.

5) Proposed Resolution 2024-9: Appointing and Establishing Compensation for Village President to Temporarily Assume Duties of Acting Village Manager.

Banks left the meeting prior to discussion beginning. Discussion followed regarding the proposed hourly rate. Motion by Brighton, supported to Yoder, to adopt proposed Resolution 2024-9. Roll call vote was taken. Yes: Brighton, Yoder; No: Hickey, Johnson; Absent: Cappon, Young, Banks; Abstain: None. Motion failed on a 2-2 tie vote.

Banks returned to the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Johnson, supported by Hickey, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes: motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy S. Forman
Village Clerk / Treasurer