

**MINUTES
REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018 AT 6:30 P.M.**

**COUNCIL MEETS THE FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY EACH MONTH, EXCEPT HOLIDAYS
AT 315 BRIDGE ST. - VILLAGE COUNCIL CHAMBERS; 231-264-9274**

(PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – ROLL CALL -- TAPED MEETING NOTICE)

PRESENT: VILLAGE PRESIDENT JAMES JANISSE; COUNCIL MEMBERS MELISSA WEST, DOUGLAS BRONKEMA, CHUCK (MERTON) SCHULER, BARBARA MULLALY, LARRY BALL and PATRICIA PERLMAN

STAFF: VILLAGE MANAGER WILLIAM COOPER, ASSISTANT MANAGER/CLERK CAROLINE KENNEDY, DPW SUPERINTENDENT BRAD KLUCZYNSKI, HARBORMASTER MIKE SINGLETON, PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR STEVE RAVEZZANI and POLICE CHIEF DAVE CENTALA

ALSO PRESENT: INTERESTED CITIZENS – 22

MOTION by **SCHULER**, second by **BRONKEMA**, to move into Closed Session at 6:05 P.M., in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Act 267 of 1976, MCL 15.268, Sec. 8 (h) To consider material exempt from discussion by state or federal statute.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Janisse, Mullaly, Ball, Perlman, West, Bronkema, Schuler; Nays – None.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by **SCHULER**, second by **WEST**, to return to open session and stand in recess until 7:00 p.m. All those present voting yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Village Manager Cooper was excused from the meeting for health reasons at 6:49 p.m.

Recess at 6:50 p.m.

President Janisse called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.

MOTION by **SCHULER**, second by **BRONKEMA**, to approve the adoption of the Consent Calendar as follows:

A. ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting – August 6, 2018
2. Beautification Commission – May 16, 2018; June 20, 2018; July 18, 2018
3. Downtown Development Authority – July 10, 2018

B. APPROVAL OF BILLS in the amount of \$223,614.31 and payroll in the amount of \$ 62,973.89
All those present voting yes. **MOTION CARRIED**

Joe Verlin from audit firm Gabridge & Co. presented the **Fiscal Year 2017-18 Audit Report**, stating the Village of Elk Rapids is in stable financial condition and received the highest confidence rating they provide.

MOTION by **MULLALY**, second by **SCHULER**, to accept the **Fiscal Year 2017-18 Audit Report**, and to file it with the state.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Mullaly, Ball, Perlman, West, Bronkema, Schuler, Janisse; Nays – None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: One citizen spoke.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT: Received in the packet; Kluczynski provided a water project update.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MOTION by **BRONKEMA**, second by **BALL**, to reschedule the Public Hearing for **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #491** – An amendment to the General Code of Ordinances, Telecommunications, Chapter 12, from September 4, 2018 to October 1, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Ball, Perlman, West, Bronkema, Schuler, Janisse, Mullaly; Nays – None.

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by **SCHULER**, second by **MULLALY**, to consent to the following President’s Appointments:
Beautification Commission – Susan Green and Lori Caruso

All those present voting yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Green Elk Rapids Presentation – Green ER Chair Royce Ragland provided a presentation regarding the harmfulness of plastics to the environment and asking the Village Council to be a leader for the community in this regard.

MOTION by **WEST**, second by **SCHULER**, to have staff prepare a proclamation for Council consideration.

All those present voting yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by **WEST**, second by **SCHULER**, to accept the gift of the 112 Dexter Street property. The question being on the motion, **SCHULER** moved to Table the motion until September 4, 2018, seconded by **MULLALY**. All those present voting yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Referencing correspondence from Mary Lobisco representing the Preserve the Island House and Property Association, President Janisse stated items two and three have previously been addressed. Item one requests due dates for petitions and written comments. President Janisse advised petitions would be due September 4, 2018 and written comments due September 10, 2018. By unanimous consent, Council approved these dates.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS:

Commission and township report details may be found in their respective minutes.

MONTHLY CONSOLIDATED STAFF REPORT – Received.

UPCOMING MEETING DATE AND OTHER EVENTS:

The next Regular Council Meeting is Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Special Council Meeting – Monday, September 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

MOTION by **SCHULER**, second by **BALL**, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

All those present voting yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**