

**MINUTES
REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017, AT 7:00 P.M.**

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

(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, INTERIM HARBORMASTER TIA BLACKMORE and PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR STEVE RAVEZZANI

ALSO PRESENT: INTERESTED CITIZENS – 20 (approximate)

MOTION by **SCHULER**, second by **BRONKEMA**, to amend the agenda by moving **Item 10-C New Business-Health Insurance Renewal** to follow **Item 15 Closed Session**.

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.

President Janisse presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Council to Thomas MacGregor for his service on the Housing Commission.

MOTION by **BRONKEMA**, second by **MULLALLY** to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

A. ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES:

1. ***Removed***
2. Beautification – October 18, 2017
3. Elk Rapids District Library – October 12, 2017
4. Housing – August 15, 2017
5. Housing – October 17, 2017
6. Planning Commission – October 24, 2017

B. ADOPTED RESOLUTION 17-33: DECLARE PORTABLE GENERATOR SURPLUS

C. ADOPT RESOLUTION 17-34: DONATE SURPLUS GENERATOR TO AMVETS FOR EMERGENCY SHELTER PURPOSES

D. APPROVAL OF BILLS in the amount of \$56,701 and payroll in the amount of \$79,477.73.

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

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Janisse asked for a correction to the vote on Proposed Ordinance #480, to properly reflect his “nay” vote. Perlman asked for the following correction to her motion on page 1:

After “statement” by inserting “referencing brief excerpts of the Island Ordinance, Deed and Lease” and striking “regarding the Elk Rapids District Library Proposal”

MOTION by **PERLMAN**, **SECOND** by **BRONKEMA** to accept the minutes as amended.

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

AmVets Commander Young thanked the Village Council for the donation of the generator (Resolution 17-34); the AmVets will now be able to house up to 175 people in an emergency situation.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: A resident spoke of drainage concerns at his property; Janisse indicated he would have a response by the end of the week. A representative of Meadowview Commons asked what to expect in water increases so they can plan their budget. ~~A resident spoke about the library proposal.~~ **Tim Moller stated the village council should pass a resolution stating that any future plan for expansion of the Island House should be put to a vote by the residents of the Village of Elk Rapids.**^{CK}

President Janisse opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE #481--An amendment to the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8 – Harbor and Boating Facilities.

Hearing no public comment, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:31 p.m.

MOTION by SCHULER, SECOND by WEST, to adopt PROPOSED ORDINANCE #481---An amendment to the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8 – Harbor and Boating Facilities.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT:

Cooper introduced Interim Harbormaster Tia Blackmore.

Green ER requested May 21 as their annual meeting with Village Council. Council agreed.

Debris is affecting leaf collection operations; Council directed Ravezzani to create a fee-and-permit proposal for Council's consideration, that would be required for any business utilizing the public right-of-way.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MOTION by MULALLY, SECOND by BRONKEMA, to adopt the DAM BEACH MANAGEMENT PLAN to be included in the Elk Rapids Collaborative Master Plan by reference.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by MULALLY, SECOND by SCHULER, to approve RESOLUTION 17-35: Purchase and Installation of Generator for Elk Rapids Police Department

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

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by SCHULER, SECOND by BALL, to contract with Gabridge and Company as the village audit firm 2018-2002 2020^{CK}.

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

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

STAFF REPORTS:

- A. ASSISTANT MANAGER/CLERK CAROLINE KENNEDY – Staff received CPR and AED training from Officer Bradley; we should hear the results of two different grant applications this month; the village was awarded \$15,000 from the Hildreth Foundation toward refurbishing the basketball courts at Veterans Memorial Park; there is a citizen group of tennis and pickle ball players that are willing to provide gap-funding for refurbishing those courts.
- B. DPW SUPERINTENDENT BRAD KLUCZYNSKI reported on brush and leaf collection.
- C. POLICE CHIEF TOM EMERSON – No report
- D. PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR STEVE RAVEZZANI – At the next meeting, Council will be presented with approval requests regarding changes to the Code of Ordinances relative to resident equivalents for water and sewer benefit charges for ADUs.

- E. HARBORMASTER, INTERIM TIA BLACKMORE** – Fuel dock is raised, all vehicles are in storage, the barge has been pulled out for the winter, bubblers are installed and tested, and all remaining equipment will be winterized by December 8.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

The next Regular Council Meeting is Monday, December 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION by **SCHULER, SECOND** by **MULLALY** at 8:30 p.m., to go into closed session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Act 267 of 1976, MCL 15.268, Sec. 8 (c) For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Council stood in recess from 8:30 p.m. until 8:35 p.m. and then entered Closed Session.

Council returned to Open Session at 9:50 p.m.

MOTION by **SCHULER, SECOND** by **WEST** to renew the employee health insurance plans with a change to a higher deductible plan, and to implement employee cost sharing at the \$25, \$50 and \$75 per month rate for employee, employee-plus one, and family plans, respectively.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by **SCHULER, SECOND** by **BALL**, to adjourn at 9:53 p.m.

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