

VILLAGE OF MORRICE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
VILLAGE HALL

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

6:00 p.m.

(Approved 11/09/21)

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Harold Dickerson.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council Members Present: Harold Dickerson, Phyllis Dickerson, Andy Flynn, Belinda Markell, Todd Scott, and Philip Hruska.

Absent: Robert Peterson.

Also Present: Attorney: John Gormley, Police Chief: Matt Balsley, Treasurer: Brian Swett, and Clerk: Karen McGuire.

Additions / Deletions to Agenda: None.

Guest Comments on the Agenda: None.

MOTION by H. Dickerson, seconded by T. Scott to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION by P. Hruska, seconded by P. Dickerson to approve the September 28, 2021, minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Special Guests: None.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 Personnel / Police / Transfer Station / Insurance / Retirement

Chief Balsley reported that he ordered the radar speed sign, it is back ordered.

9.2 DPW / Municipal Buildings / Park

No Report.

9.3 Streets / Sidewalks / Newsletter / Web Site

No Report. Will work on some sidewalks again next year.

9.4 Sewer / Codes

No Report.

9.5 Zoning / Ordinances / Annex / 425 / DDA

No Report.

9.6 SESA

No Report.

9.7 Homecoming

No Report.

9.8 Budget

No Report. The Committee will meet on October 19th at 7:00 p.m.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10.1 Banking

Clerk checked with MML and found that the treasurer is bonded for liability when making bank deposits. The coverage can be increased. Still working on what to do for the Transfer Station.

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10.2 Zoning Ordinance

Board members will continue to look for ideas for revising the Zoning Ordinance and bring them back to Council for consideration.

10.3 Sewer Spray Rig

The lagoon operator got a quote of \$46,300.00 from Michigan Valley Irrigation to replace the small sprayer rig. The estimate for the new pump already on order is \$12,435.00. Council had previously approved \$11,250.00 for the pump. P. Hruska asked if we ordered now and had it installed in the spring if we could still get this same pricing. Will check with operator.

MOTION by P. Hruska, seconded by P. Dickerson to approve spending up to \$60,000.00 for the pump and the sprayer.

Roll Call: Ayes: B. Markell, T. Scott, A. Flynn, P. Hruska, P. Dickerson, H. Dickerson. Nays: None.  
Absent: R. Peterson. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Set Halloween Hours

Chief Balsley would like to set the Halloween hours as Sunday, October 31st from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. B. Markell is going to ask the DDA for a contribution of up to \$300.00 for prizes, cider, and donut holes. J. Gormley will contribute up to \$200.00 for candy and other supplies.

MOTION by P. Dickerson, seconded by H. Dickerson to set Halloween hours are requested. All ayes. Motion carried.

11.2 October 26th Meeting

H. Dickerson explained there are no pressing matters for the next scheduled meeting.

MOTION by H. Dickerson, seconded by T. Scott to cancel the October 26th Council meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review Financial Statement / Pay Bills

MOTION by P. Hruska, seconded by A. Flynn to pay the bills as presented. (List Attached.)

Roll Call: Ayes: P. Dickerson, P. Hruska, B. Markell, T. Scott, A. Flynn, H. Dickerson. Nays: None.  
Absent: R. Peterson. Motion carried.

Announcements / Correspondence: None.

Guest Comments: Chief Balsley introduced Rob Pouch, the new Superintendent of Morrice Schools.

MOTION by H. Dickerson, seconded by P. Dickerson to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Harold Dickerson, Village President  
Karen McGuire, Clerk