

VILLAGE OF LEONARD
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEONARD VILLAGE COUNCIL
January 10, 2022
MINUTES

President McDonald called the Regular Meeting of the Leonard Village Council to order at 7:00 P.M. in Rowland Hall. President McDonald led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting in prayer.

Members present were: President McDonald, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Kennedy.

Absent: Mrs. Arundale and Mrs. Swack (both excused)

Present: Clerk, Loree Zelenock; Treasurer, Judy Verse

Motion by Mr. Kennedy to accept the minutes as presented from the November 15, 2021 regular meeting, Second by Mr. McDonald. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Kennedy to accept the agenda with an amendment to add an item to New Business, Second by Mr. Hawkins. Also, correct meeting agenda date of January from 8th to 15th. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. McDonald to accept the Treasurer's Report for November as presented, Second by Mr. Kennedy. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

Ayes: President McDonald, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Hawkins.

Motion by Mr. Kennedy to pay bills for November as presented, in the amount of \$41,609.25 for General, \$618.09 for Major, \$1,108.24 for Local and \$0 for Mill Park/Recreation, Second by Mr. McDonald. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

Ayes: President McDonald, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Kennedy.

Motion by Mr. Kennedy to accept the Treasurers Report for December as presented, Second by Mr. Hawkins. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Kennedy to pay bills for December as presented, in the amount of \$24,885.32 for General, \$1419.06 for Major, \$276.25 for Local and \$0 for Mill/Park Recreation. Second by Mr. Hawkins. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

Ayes: Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. McDonald.

2021-22 Budget Amendment. Motion by Mr. Kennedy to make the following adjustments: In the General Fund Income Increase from Account Reserve \$24,500. This increases the original Income Budget \$39.00 Clerk, \$600.00 Admin Assist, \$3,000 Inspectors, \$2,500 Legal, \$1,000 Auditor, \$116.00 Treasurer expense, \$3,200 Misc, \$220.00 Sanitation, \$500.00 Street lights, \$6,000 Building Maintained, \$19,500 RH Main & \$500.00 Tree Removal. Decreases to the General fund expenses are \$1,500 Emp Tax, \$750.00 Ordinance enforcement, \$450.00 Clerk phone, \$700.00 mileage, \$4,250 Insurance, \$1,000 Planning Commission, \$500.00 Equipment maint, \$3,025 General labor and \$500.00 Drains. This increases the original expense budget total from \$264,803.85 to a new total of \$289,303.85. This is a balanced General Fund. Major Fund, there is no change to the budget total; Increase to black top repairs, \$3,000 and decrease general labor by \$3,000. Local fund no change to the original budget totals; Increase \$300.00 Grading Streets, \$500.00 Road Gravel, \$75.00 Signs. Decrease \$300.00 Drains, \$500.00 General Labor and \$75.000 Misc. Second by Mr. McDonald. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

Ayes: Mr. Kennedy, Mr. McDonald and Mr. Hawkins.

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MEMBERS OF AUDIENCE WERE: Cindy Ashley and Kristen Wiltfang.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mrs. Cindy Ashley asked what was happening with the yellow house.

NEW BUSINESS:

Oakland County Park & Recreation Grant Resolution and Authorization. Motion by Mr. Kennedy to adopt the Oakland County parks and Recreation Grant Resolution for predevelopment. To enable creation of plans to improve the Leonard Nature Park, its trails, improve sidewalk access and establish a better connection to the trail and safer crossing from the trail to the park. Grant fund application in the amount of \$22,800 with a contribution of \$7,600 by the Village of Leonard. The project total is \$30,400. Second by Mr. Hawkins. Roll call vote. Motion carried.
Ayes: Mr. McDonald, Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Kennedy.

Matching Park Grant Pledge. Motion by Mr. Kennedy to match the Village of Leonard's pledge of \$7,600 for the Park and Recreation Grant Resolution on the condition grant monies in the amount of \$22,800 are approved. Second by Mr. Hawkins. Roll call vote. Motion carried.
Ayes: Mr. Kennedy, Mr. McDonald and Mr. Hawking.

Oakland County Infrastructure Grant Resolution Application Authorization. A grant for new or improved infrastructure is open for application. Motion by Mr. Kennedy to authorize President McDonald to apply for the Oakland County Infrastructure Grant. Second by Mr. Hawkins.
Roll call vote. Motion carried.
Ayes: Mr. McDonald, Mr. Hawking and Mr. Kennedy.

2022-2023 Budget. We must adopt a balanced budget for 2022-2023. Asking for councils' consideration of an increase in the proposed General fund of \$5000 for equipment. A road grader is needed as contractor prices have increased to a level that makes it cost prohibitive long term. Other considerations for the General fund are planning for a 6% increase in Sanitation costs, \$2,500 for Legal expense and \$1,500 for Audits; totaling an overall increase to the proposed General Fund budget of \$11,000. Local and Major funds will remain the same. There will be a Truth in Taxation meeting held on February 14, 2022 at 7:00.

OAYA Board Member Approval. Oxford-Addison youth Assistance Program received an application from Patricia Mueller for a Board Member position. Motion by Mr. McDonald to approve Mrs. Mueller's application to the Board of OAYA. Second by Mr. Kennedy. All in favor. Motion carried.

Council Member Committee Appointments. Mr. Hawkins: Cable Commission representative. Mrs. Jennifer Arundale: Decorating Committee President. Mrs. Swack: Decorating Committee; Planning Commissioner. Mr. Kennedy: Alternate to the Polly Ann Trail Management Council. President McDonald: Chairman of NOTA, representative to the Poly Ann Trail Management Council; Christmas in action of Oakland County. Mrs. Verse: OAYA Chairperson. Mrs. Zelenock: Planning Commissioner; Leonard Summer Festival Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sewer Study Update. Nothing new.

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DPW: The pallet forks and work platform has made work much safer.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

FOIA Requests: None.

Ordinance enforcements: One complaint, related to snow removal between neighbors.

CDBG: Trees were removed.

TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Summer Festival: None

Cable Commission: None

Decorating Committee: Christmas Trees are still up.

NOTA: Mike McDonald has been appointed as Committee Chairman.

Planning Commission: January's meeting will be cancelled.

Polly Ann Trail Management Council: Meets next week and will discuss removal of invasive plants.

Village Park: Grant application.

CDBG Report: Reprogrammed monies are now in the Minor Home Repair Account.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon a motion by Mr. McDonald and a second by Mr. Kennedy, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sincerely,

Loree Zelenock

Village Clerk