

Village of Bancroft
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Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 10th, 2021

Council Present: T. Terpening, L. Wert-Fuller, C. Hutchins, L. Sedlock, T. Barnum, A. Goodrich, B. Barnum

Council Absent: K. Bible , R. Miller

Employees: Mitch Terpening , Phil Hruska

Guest: Julie McKay, The Village Attorney Christopher Johnson

Meeting was called to order by President Barnum at 7:14PM

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to accept agenda as presented.

Motion: C. Hutchins Second: T. Terpening

Yeas: All Present Nays: None

Motion Carried

Review of Minutes:

Review of council meeting minutes from Feb 10th, 2021

Motion to accept minutes as presented.

Motion: C. Hutchins Second: T. Terpening

Yeas: All Present Nays: None

Motion Carried

Review of council meeting minutes from Feb 26th, 2021

Motion to accept minutes as presented.

Motion: C. Hutchins Second: T. Terpening

Yeas: All Present Nays: None

Motion Carried

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Review of Bills:

Motion to accept the bills as presented.

Motion: C. Hutchins Second: T. Barnum

Yays (RCV): T. Barnum, L. Wert-Fuller, C. Hutchins, T. Terpening, B. Barnum

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Review of Treasurers Report:

Clerk went over the fund balance for the last few years for from the audit and suggested being very frugal to avoid having to pull from fund balance this fiscal year.

Motion to accept treasurers report for end of year 20-21 pending audit.

Motion: T. Terpening Second: C. Hutchins

Yays(RCV): C. Hutchins, T. Barnum, T. Terpening, L. Wert-Fuller, B. Barnum

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Motion to accept treasurers report as of February 28th, 2021 for the new fiscal year pending audit.

Motion: T. Terpening Second: C. Hutchins

Yays(RCV): C. Hutchins, T. Barnum, T. Terpening, L. Wert-Fuller, B. Barnum

Nays: None

Motion Carried

DPW Report: Was Given – ~~Reminder from Chief Hruska that the IRS will no call you if you receive a phone call it is a scam.~~ Mitch Terpening wanted to thank Jim Lepage for helping with traffic while he did cold patch.

Police Report: Was Given - ~~Reminder from Chief Hruska that the IRS will not call you if you receive a phone call it is a scam.~~

Public Comments: None

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Communications: Clerk went over attorney fee increase going forward from \$140.00 an hour to \$150.00 an hour. Clerk went over Welcome Home Veterans Escrow and scheduling public hearing for rezoning application which will be during the Planning Commission / DDA meeting on April 12th, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Clerk communicated that the credit card processing is still in process with BS&A and Point and Pay. It should be available for the next quarter for water billing. Clerk went over rules and procedures on attendance and asked Brian to touch base with Kevin to make sure that he is still wanting to be part of council. Brian will send him an email. Barnum wanted to welcome Julie McKay as the new Treasurer of the DDA.

Old Business:

1. Miss dig Compliance : Tabled.
2. Phone System : Tabled – Goodrich shared price increase on bill and suggested making this one a priority.
3. Water Software : Tabled
4. Consumers Energy LED Street Light Account : Tabled

New Business:

1. Water System Loans: USDA reached out to suggested refinancing our bonds. There is no cost until closing if we can refinance. Cost of services would be financed in the loan. Overall, the projected savings would be roughly \$441,105.52.

Motion to move forward in trying to refinance the water system loans.

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: T. Barnum

Yays: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2. Garbage Contract: Our contract with Granger ends at the end of March presented is a new quote from them. It would include not only the trash containers and recycling containers but also yard waste containers. It would be an increase from \$12.62 to \$14.16 which is a 12 percent increase. Item Tabled to have Granger run longer contracts to lower the cost if possible.
3. 2022 Maple Street Grant, Maple from Beach East to Village Limit: There is a grant available. It would be for the 2022 year. Council had questions on engineering costs. Item Tabled.

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4. Village Easter Baskets: The plan for the Village Easter event is to have a drive through easter basket event for the children. There will be 200 baskets until they run out. Requested traffic control and street closure for April 3rd at 11:30 am until they are gone. The DDA approved up to \$700.00 of the estimated \$2400.00 left from a donation a couple years ago. And the Village has a family fund line item of donations that have been accrued so would like approval to spend up to \$330.00 of the fundraised money the Village has for community family fun activities and up to \$700.00 from the DDA donation.

Motion to purchase items for the Community Family Fun Event for Easter in the amount of up to \$700.00 from the DDA and up to \$330.00 from the Line item in the General Account.

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: C. Hutchins

Yays (RCV) L. Wert-Fuller, C. Hutchins, T. Terpening, T. Barnum, B. Barnum

Nays: None

Motion Carried

5. Business Check and Deposit Receipt Order: Usually we order through Deluxe, but clerk was able to find the checks and receipt books a lot cheaper.

Motion to purchase checks and receipt books from Smart resolution and the Bradford exchange for a max total of \$600.00 after shipping.

Motion: C. Hutchins

Second: T. Barnum

Yays (RCV) T. Barnum, T. Terpening, L. Wert-Fuller, C. Hutchins, B. Barnum

Nays: None

Motion Carried

6. Water Ordinance and Resolution: Item Tabled to Ordinance Committee
7. QuickBooks Upgrade: System will not be supported after May 31st, 2021. Went over options for monthly and the standard 3-year subscription that we normally do.

Motion to upgrade to monthly online for total annually of \$1350.00.

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: T. Barnum

Yays(RCV): T. Terpening, T. Barnum, C. Hutchins, L. Wert-Fuller, B. Barnum

8. PFAS Lawsuit : No Action Taken.

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Motion to Extend meeting at past 9:30 pm

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: C. Hutchins

Yays: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

9. Zoning resolution for fee structure to include public hearing and forms: No Action taken

10. Compensation Ordinance:

Motion to Accept Ordinance 307-21 as presented

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: C. Hutchins

Yays (RCV): T. Terpening, C. Hutchins, T. Barnum, L. Wert-Fuller, B Barnum

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Motion to open agenda and add number 11 Zoning Board of Appeals

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: T. Barnum

Yays: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

11. ZBA:

Motion to accept Brian Barnum's recommendation and appoint Steve Fuller and Blain Love on the Zoning Board of Appeals with terms ending March 2024.

Motion: C. Hutchins

Second: L. Wert-Fuller

Yays (RCV): C. Hutchins, L. Wert-Fuller, T. Barnum, T. Terpening, B. Barnum

Nays: None

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Committee Updates:

Ordinance Committee: No updates

Infrastructure Committee: No Updates

Finance Committee: No Updates

Employee Relations Committee (ERC): No updates

Parks and Recreation Committee: No Updates

Downtown Development Association (DDA) Committee: Welcome New Treasurer
Julie McKay

Public Comments Second Session: None

Council Comments Second Session: None

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:38 PM

Motion: T. Terpening

Second: C. Hutchins

Yays: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted

Ashley Goodrich