

VILLAGE OF SPARTA

COUNCIL BUSINESS SESSION OF AUGUST 11, 2014

Held at Sparta Township Chambers, 160 East Division, Sparta MI

1.2. The meeting was called to order by President Leonard R. Meyer II at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Roll Call: Council persons Kristi Dougan, Paul Hibbard, Bonnie Koehn, Gary Moody, William Taylor, Robert Whalen and Village Manager Julius Suchy.

4. Additions or corrections to Business and Consent Agendas: Add Item G to New Business: Approve quote from Peerless for replacement of Water Valves at Water Plant.

I. Accept Village Council Regular Business Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2014

II. Accept Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2014

5. Approval of Consent AND Business Agendas:

Moved by Whalen, supported by Moody, to approve Consent and Business Agendas.
Motion carried 7-0.

6. Approval of Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers:

Moved by Moody, supported by Dougan, to approve Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers.
Motion carried 7-0.

7. Public Comment for Agenda Item: None.

8. Public Hearing: None.

9. Unfinished Business: Village Work Session was schedule for Monday, August 25th at 7:00 p.m. Bob Whalen has asked that Gale Taylor and Jayne Paasch (will be the incoming councilmembers) attend this workshop.

10. New Business:

A. Resolution R-14-18: A Resolution Authorizing change to lighting service contract between Consumers Energy and Village of Sparta for removal of overhead suspended light at intersection 12 Mile Rd & M-37.

Moved by Moody, supported by Whalen, to adopt Resolution R-14-18.
Motion carried 7-0.

B. Resolution R-14-19: A Resolution to provide for the designation of September 19, 2014 as Prisoner of War (POW) / Missing in Action (MIA) Recognition Day.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Moody, to adopt Resolution R-14-19.
Motion carried 7-0.

I. Presentation from Muskegon County Wastewater Director Mark Eisenbarth on status of Sparta WWTP.

I. Approve Updated Muskegon County WWTP Interlocal Agreement.

Moved by Moody, supported by Dougan to approve updated Interlocal Agreement between Muskegon County and Village of Sparta. Motion carried 7-0.

I. Wastewater Treatment Plant Staffing Discussion.

Will keep on working with Muskegon at this time to bring our plant up to code and have Village Manager prepare bid and review one plant has stabilized.

Moved by Dougan, supported by Hibbard to authorize Village Manager to prepare bid document for operation of waste water plant including lift stations and collection system as added options. Motion carried 7-0.

I. Traffic Signal at Division & Union Street.

At this time the Council would oppose the removal of the signal and asked Village Manager to see what the cost would be to replace the present pole or what other options are available.

I. Approve quote #51829 from Peerless for replacement of Water Valves at

Water Plant for an amount not to exceed \$154,650.00.

The Council would like the money that was going to be spent on Radio Read Meter to go towards new water valves and then next year budget for new meters.

Moved by Moody, supported by Dougan to fix the valves by using monies allocated for Radio Read Meters. Motion carried 7-0.

11. Committee Reports (attached):

A. Finance Committee:

B. Policy & Personnel Committee:

I. Public Facilities & Recreation Committee:

III. Airport Committee: Our Manager will be leaving on October 31, 2014, everyone on the Council thanked him for a job well done.

III. Public Safety Committee:

III. Fire Board Committee:

12. Manager's Report (attached):

13. Police Chief's Report (attached):

14. Airport Manager's Report (attached):

15. Communications: None.

16. Public Comment:

A. Rudy Plank of 186 Washington Street had suggested to the Council using some of the skate park for a dog park in memory of his daughter. The Council informed him to provide a letter of intent.

B. Mickey Larson of 194 E Division Street had wanted an update on General Formulation.

17. Executive Session:

Moved by Whalen, supported by Moody, to go into Executive Session at 8:25 pm for the purpose to discuss Purchase of Property. Motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote.

Moved by Hibbard, supported by Moody, to return to the regular session 8:40 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

18. Announcements: The property of Trini's was discussed. Some of their property is in a state of disrepair and in non-compliance of ordinance codes. At next month meeting this will be discussed with DDA Director for a time limit put on their properties for repair.

19. Adjournment:

Moved by Hibbard, Meyer adjourned by executive privilege at 8:45pm.
Motion carried 7-0.

Pam Buchanan
Sparta Village Clerk

