

VILLAGE OF SPARTA

COUNCIL BUSINESS SESSION OF DECEMBER 14, 2015

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

1-2. The meeting was called to order by President Kristi Dougan at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Roll Call: Council persons Jayne Paasch, Gale Taylor, William Taylor, Robert Whalen, Scott Christie, Bonnie Koehn, Kristi Dougan, Village Manager Julius Suchy and Finance Director Sharon DeLange.

4. Additions or corrections to Business and Consent Agendas:

Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve Special Village Council Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2015
- b. Accept Downtown Development Authority Minutes of November 10, 2015
- c. Accept Downtown Development Authority Minutes of December 8, 2015
- d. Accept Regular Planning Commission Minutes of December 7, 2015
- e. Accept Fire Board Minutes of November 19, 2015
- f. Accept Sparta Recreation Authority Minutes of November 5, 2015
- g. Resolution 15-24: Appoint Village Manager as GVMC Representative
- h. Resolution 15-26: Village Council Meeting Schedule for 2016
- i. Resolution 15-27: Planning Commission Meeting Schedule for 2016
- j. Resolution 15-28: Re-appointments to Planning Commission
- k. Resolution 15-29: Deputy Clerk Appointment

5. Approval of Consent AND Business Agendas:

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

6. Public Comment for Agenda Items:

Please note: This Public Comment portion of the meeting is reserved for comment on agenda items.

State Senator Peter MacGregor attended the meeting and asked if anyone had any questions for him. He also wanted to update everyone with his cell # 616-581-2025.

7. Public Hearing:

a. FY 2016 Budget, Millage Rate & 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Plan.

The hearing opened at 7:06 p.m. and closed at 7:09 p.m. Manager Suchy indicated that the budget and capital improvement plan were based on the previous special meeting to discuss the budget.

8. Old Business: None.

9. New Business:

- a. Resolution #15-17: A Resolution Amending the 2015 Budget.
Moved by Whalen, supported by Gale Taylor, to adopt Resolution 15-17. Motion carried 7-0.
- b. Resolution #15-18: A Resolution Establishing Sewer User Charges (Ready to Serve).
Moved by Paasch, supported by William Taylor to adopt Resolution 15-18.
Motion carried 7-0.
- c. Resolution #15-19: A Resolution Establishing Water User Charges (Ready to Serve).
Moved by William Taylor, supported by Christie, to adopt Resolution 15-19.
Motion carried 7-0.
- d. Resolution #15-20: A Resolution Establishing Sewer Commodity Charges.
Moved by Gale Taylor, supported by Paasch, to adopt Resolution 15-20.
Motion carried 7-0.
- e. Resolution #15-21: A Resolution Establishing Water Commodity Charges.
Moved by Paasch, supported by William Taylor, to adopt Resolution 15-21.
Motion carried 7-0.
- f. Resolution #15-22: A Resolution Adopting the Village Budget for 2016 and Determining the Number of Mills to be Levied.
Moved by Whalen, supported by Gale Taylor, to adopt Resolution 15-22.
Motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote.
- g. Resolution #15-23: A Resolution Adopting the 2015 Village of Sparta Master Plan.
Moved by Paasch, supported by Whalen, to adopt Resolution 15-23.
Motion carried 7-0.
- h. Resolution #15-25: A Resolution Approving A Tentative Agreement Between the Village of Sparta and the Sparta Public Employees Association Bargaining Unit For A Period of Three Years And Authorizing Execution Of The CBA With Those Terms.
Moved by Gale Taylor, supported by Paasch to adopt Resolution 15-25.
Motion carried 7-0 with the correction of employer to employee under the Letter of Understanding. Correction should read – *When the last current work leader workers is no longer an employee, reference to lead worker will be eliminated from the contractual terms.*
- i. Resolution #15-30: A Resolution Adopting the Top Ten Goals for the Village of Sparta for 2016.
Moved by Whalen, supported by William Taylor, to adopt Resolution 15-30.
Motion carried 7-0.
- j. Resolution #15-31: A Resolution to Adopt Traffic Control Order 15.01 A Traffic Control Order Controlling Weight Restrictions on Village Streets/Highways & Bridges.
Moved by Whalen, supported by Christie, to adopt Resolution 15-31.
Motion carried 7-0 with the correction to eliminate sign posted on Olmstead Street.

k. Sparta Airport Logo Contest.

Councilmembers would like to have the word Municipal added to Sparta Airport. Sparta Municipal Airport in larger font and also have Paul C. Miller in smaller font. After the corrections have been made it will be on our new website and have people vote for their favorite selection.

l. Award Village Hall Façade Repair Bid to Northern Restoration and Waterproof Systems for an amount to not exceed \$19,600 with \$5,000 contingency requiring Village Manger approval.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Koehn, to award Northern Restoration and Waterproof Systems for an amount not to exceed \$19,600 with \$5,000 contingency.

Motion carried 7-0.

10. Committee Reports

11. Village Manager Report

12. Communications:

13. Payment of Bills:

Approval of Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers.

Moved by Gale Taylor, supported by Paasch, to approve Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers. Motion carried 7-0.

14. Public Comment:

15. Executive Session:

Moved by Whalen, supported by William Taylor to go into Executive Session at 7:58 p.m. to discuss sale of real estate property.

Motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote.

Moved by Paasch, supported by Gale Taylor to return to the regular session 8:12 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0.

16. Council Member Announcements:

17. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by President Dougan at 8:13 p.m. by executive privilege.

Pam Buchanan
Sparta Village Clerk

