



Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council
January 25, 2023
Regular Meeting
1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI 48893

Village President Torgerson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon & Torgerson.

Members Excused: Cueny & Kiel

Agenda Approval:

The meeting agenda was accepted without objection or amendment.

Consent Agenda:

Davis made a motion, seconded by Laraway, to adopt the Consent Agenda. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon, & Torgerson. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0.

Election of Officers & Committee Assignments:

As required by Section 5.07 of the Village Charter, the Village Council selected its officers and filled committee appointments.

Davis volunteered to fill the role of Village Treasurer. The Council discussed his interest in the position, and the additional time requirements that accompany the role, noting that the only compensation the Council receives is for attending the Regular Monthly meeting.

Peavey asked if anyone currently serving in various roles wanted to step down and shared that he feels the current slate works well.

Peavey made a motion, seconded by Davis, to keep the current slate of officers, which are:

- Dave Torgerson – Village President
- Robert Laraway – President Pro-temp
- Carol Shannon – Village Clerk
- Charles Kiel – Village Treasurer
- Paul Cueny – Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon, & Torgerson. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0.

Without objection, Laraway was appointed to the Planning Commission until the next organizational meeting of the Village Council or until he is no longer serving on the Village Council, whichever comes first.

Without objection, Council members selected to serve on the Liaison Committee were as follows:

- Paul Cueny
- Carol Shannon
- Al Davis
- Dave Torgerson - Alternate

Without objection, Council members secluded to serve on the Lake Restoration Committee were as follows:

- Dave Torgerson
- Robert Laraway
- Brent Peavey
- Carol Shannon - Alternate

Reports:

- Village President:
Torgerson discussed the need for younger people to become more involved and hopefully become interested in serving on the Village Council.
- Village Manager:
Wolff discussed the data from Central Dispatch showing the calls for service in the Village for 2022. He also discussed the status of the update to the Building & Use Restrictions in Lake Isabella North. He shared that the Central Michigan District Health Department has approved the agreement, and all that is needed is for the Isabella County Board of Public Works to approve the agreement before sending it to EGLE. He stated that the ICBPW would likely meet at the end of February.
- Sherman Township:
Sherman Twp. Trustee Grey stated that for 2022 the Fire Department handled over 530 runs. He also discussed the Township Board's action to enter into an agreement for engineering and professional services without going out for bids for the Weidman sewer project. He stated that budget talks have begun, but at this time, the Township does not know what costs they have agreed to on the sewer project.
- LIPOA:
Wolff shared that the LIPOA Board of Directors held a Special Meeting on January 18th and voted to seek a millage for the multi-year lake restoration project this summer. Shannon attended the meeting with Wolff, and both shared that it was a very positive discussion on working together.

Public Hearings: None

Public Comment: None

Existing Business:

1. Isabella County Road Commission 2023 Chip & Fog Contract:
Laraway made a motion, seconded by Davis, to approve a contract with the Isabella County Road Commission in the amount of \$147,641.13 to Chip and Fog Seal 2.8 miles of Major Streets. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon, & Torgerson. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0.
2. Proposed Millage Agreement with the LIPOA:
Laraway made a motion, seconded by Peavey, to approve an agreement with the LIPOA to seek a millage at a Special Election this summer to fund a multi-year lake restoration project. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon, & Torgerson. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0.

3. Village Police Power Ordinance Regulations Review:

The Council reviewed the first sections of the update to Article VI of the Village's Codified Ordinances. The Council reviewed sections on Trespassing, Fireworks, Open Burning, Yard & Rummage Sales, and Outdoor Free-Standing Furnaces. The Council agreed with all changes presented in the sections reviewed.

New Business:

1. Proposed Ordinance 2023-01; Coldwater Road Rezoning:

Without objection, Davis introduced the proposed Ordinance 2023-01 and a public hearing scheduled for the February meeting.

2. Resolution 2023-01; Act 51 Map Amendment:

Davis made a motion, seconded by Shannon, to adopt Resolution 2023-01, which seeks to amend the Village's Act 51 map by adding 325 feet to Eagle View Drive. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon, & Torgerson. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0.

3. Receipt of 2022 Planning & Zoning Report:

The Council received the annual Planning & Zoning Report from the Planning Commission. Wolff discussed the goals for the year highlighted by the Planning Commission. Specifically, completing the Village's RRC certification and reviewing the Master Plan in the second half of the year.

4. Revize Website Proposal:

The Council reviewed a proposal from Revize LLC to update the template used for the Village's website. One feature of an updated website would allow residents to sign-up for email or text alerts when items are updated on the Village's website.

The Council discussed the added cost of this feature, which would increase the Village's annual maintenance fees by \$900. Peavey discussed that with the email and text alerts, the Village could reduce the number of print newsletters to offset the added costs.

Davis made a motion, seconded by Peavey, to approve the proposed agreement with Revize LLC for \$4,100. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Davis, Laraway, Peavey, Shannon, & Torgerson. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0.

5. Nonmotorized Project Discussion:

Wolff briefed the Council on the need to complete a project meeting MDOT's nonmotorized requirements by the end of the fiscal year. He discussed the formula in Act 51 that requires local road agencies to spend roughly 1% of the Act 51 funds received annually on nonmotorized expenses.

Wolff discussed that with the defeat of the recreation bond proposal last November, the Village would need to complete a project before July 1st to be included on the Village's 2023 Act 51 Report.

The Council reviewed the eligible projects and agreed with Wolff that there are few options for the Village. Council members offered several suggestions, but none would

qualify under MDOT's criteria. One project that Wolff recommended was to pave the shoulder of Queens Way across from the LIPOA office, north of Pequena Drive.

The Council approved Wolff seeking a proposal for this work and requested that he send correspondence to the Village's State Representative and State Senator highlighting that this requirement is a unique challenge for the community.

Public Comments:

- Jeff Grey of Pequena Drive discussed the most recent MTA meeting and voiced support for including text and email updates from the Village's website.

Council Comments:

- Torgerson shared that he would not be able to attend the February meeting. Wolff asked if there were any objections to holding the public hearing for proposed Ordinance 2023-01 in March since there would, at best, only be four Council members available on the February date. There were no objections to this request.

Adjournment:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Approved: February 21, 2023

Carol Shannon

Carol Shannon, Village Clerk

Dave Torgerson

David K. Torgerson, Village President