

Village of Pentwater

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Special Meeting of Village Council MEETING MINUTES MARCH 23, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. PARK PLACE 310 NORTH RUSH STREET

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Jeff Hodges called the regular meeting of the Pentwater Village Council to order at 2:01 P.M. from the Park Place Meeting Center at 310 North Rush Street.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Michelle Angell-Powell, Dave Bluhm, Jared Griffis, Dan Nugent, Don Palmer, Claudia Ressel-Hodan, Jeff Hodges.

Absent:

Also, present: Village Manager Chris Brown, Clerk/Treasurer Rande Listerman.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – On the agenda

Sue Johnson, 318 East Hanover Street – She reminded the Council the employee must request to go into Closed Session.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Hodges requested an approval of the agenda. *Motion* Ressel-Hodan supported by Bluhm to approve the agenda as presented.

VOICE VOTE: YES: 7. NAYS: 0. ABSENT: None.

Motion approved 7 - 0.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Comments from the President.

This meeting was necessary to get our Annual Reviews completed and let the public know that we may be going into Closed Session. You are welcome to stay, and you will be let back into the building when we are finished. We will receive Public Comments at that time. The Council will not take any action after the Closed Session.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Appointment of Zoning Official.

Motion by Nugent, supported by Bluhm to approve Keith Edwards acting as the Interim Zoning Official for six months at 14 hours a week.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YES: Bluhm, Griffis, Nugent, Palmer, Ressel-Hodan and Hodges. NAYS: Angell-Powell.

ABSENT: None.

Motion approved 6 – 1.

B. Resolution No. 2022 - 03 - 07

Motion by Palmer, supported by Griffis to approve Resolution No. 2022 – 03- 07 Annual Salaries as presented.

Discussion was held.

Trustee Palmer rescinded his motion and Trustee Griffis agreed.

Motion by Palmer, supported by Griffis to approve Resolution No. 2022 - 03 - 07 Annual Salaries as presented with Keith Edwards listed as the Zoning Official on a six month interim basis at the Township hourly rate and the removal of the Zoning Administrator Assistant line.

Discussion was held regarding the Zoning Officials Salary increase being at 5% versus the current Village employees' salaries being at 3.5%. Discussion was also held regarding Village Manager Chris Brown salary should reflect a 3.5% increase. The Village Manager Chris Brown respectfully declined the 3.5% increase he felt his salary is in line for others in the County in his position.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Griffis, Nugent, Ressel-Hodan. NAYS: Angell-Powell, Bluhm, Palmer, Hodges. ABSENT: 0.

Motion failed: 3 - 4.

Motion by Palmer, supported by Ressel-Hodan to approve Resolution No. 2022 - 03 - 07 as presented with the following change with Keith Edwards listed as the Zoning Official on a six-month interim basis at the township hourly rate of \$30.26 for 14 hours a week and the removal of the Zoning Administrator Assistant line.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Palmer, Ressel-Hodan, Bluhm, Nugent, Hodges.

NAYES: Angell-Powell and Griffis. ABSENT: 0. Motion approved 5 - 2.

President Hodges suggest the Council should look at the Per Diem for the various boards. He also reviewed all the Capital Improvements that have occurred in the Village over the last five years and fiscally we are still in good shape.

Council is at ease at 2:44 P.M.

IX. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Palmer, supported by Angell-Powell to go into Closed Session at the request of Clerk/Treasurer Rande Listerman and Village Manager Chris Brown to discuss the annual evaluations, goals, and objectives.

All ayes 7 - 0.

Closed Session Opened at 2:50 P.M.

Motion by Palmer, supported by Ressel-Hodan to go out of Closed Session.

All ayes 7 – 0.

Closed Session Adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Re-opened the Special Council Meeting at 4:31 P.M.

The Village Council thanked Village Manager Chris Brown and Village Clerk/Treasurer Rande Listerman for their hard work and dedication to the Village of Pentwater over the past year and recognized areas of achievement for each. Specific measurable goals and objectives were developed and agreed upon as a part of the annual evaluation. The Personnel Committee will meet with Brown and Listerman quarterly, or more frequently toward achieving agreed upon goals and objectives and will report progress back to the Village Council.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

President Hodges adjourned the meeting at 4:32 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rande Listerman, MiCPT, CPFA, CPFIM, MiPMC
Clerk/Treasurer

Date