

Village of Fife Lake
Council Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

Roll call: Present: B. Hayes, M. Hayes, Kelley, Tornow, Deike, and McGough.
Absent: Menzies,
Others: Johnson-Village Clerk, Housour- Village Treasurer, Eby- Deputy Clerk,
Stocking- DPW, and Bob Johnson- Grand Traverse County Commissioner.

Approval of Agenda: Under new items the addition of the letter N for the approval of the Village Budget, and under letter O adding the schools Seeds Grant. Deike made a motion to accept the agenda with the additions, M. Hayes seconded it. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Pledge of Allegiance

Special Order of Business: None

Consent Agenda Items A-D: M. Hayes made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Motion seconded by B. Hayes. **Roll Call:** Kelley-Y, B. Hayes-Y, M. Hayes-Y, Deike-Y, Tornow-Y, McGough-Y. **Motion Carried.**

Police/Public Safety Report: no report. McGough said that he talked to the new officer and said that he would start sending in a report.

Guest: Bob Johnson- Grand Traverse County Commissioner: He mentioned that the county is having a planning session to set up goals for the county. They are still working on the pension program. COA has excess money in the general fund. It was voted to give some of that money back. The Deputy Director of COA was relieved of her duty this week. Comfort Keepers has pulled out. These changes have not affected the services provided to the seniors. Things are getting better with the COA. Tom Menzel is to resign at the end of the year.

Public Comment: Sharon Brown- 10992 Vans Lane: said that there are several other property owners present with her tonight. She gave a handout to the Village President. She discussed how upset she is about the treatment she received about the sewer going in. She said she was never notified that she had to hook up to the sewer. She asked for additional time to hook up as it was a large cost since she and her neighbors were not aware that they had to hook up. She was told in an e-mail that she read to the council that she has had enough time to prepare. She is very upset about the treatment she has received.

Trevor Howard the Assistant Medical Director with Fife Lake area EMS- He introduced himself saying he has been newly appointed to the position. He said he would send a report or come to the meetings to give a report of how many calls were done in the

previous month. He said that the EMS just received a grant from Grand Traverse Band Casino for the purchase of some equipment.

Linda Forewerk, Fife Lake Township Supervisor- 134 Morgan Street. She said that the township and village jointly received a grant for about \$23,000.00 for a sidewalk to go from the church on Boyd down to Vans lane. Grand Travers Band provided the grant for the sidewalk. Linda also mentioned at the township about getting a mountain bike for the deputy here to ride during events within the village. She is said it would be about \$10,000 to 12,000. She was asking if the village would pitch in for the cost.

New items

Bata Presentation: Eric the Communication Manger from BATA gave a presentation of what BATA does for the Community. There will be a Mileage coming up on May 2nd for 0.5 mills. He described where they go and how they serviced the area. Current millage rate is 0.3447 and it expires at the end of 2017. The 0.5 mills will be for 5 years.

DDA Appointment to term ending 2019: one application was received from Stan Patrick. Stan is currently the president of the Chamber of Commerce. McGough made a recommended that Stan Patrick to be appointed to the DDA board term ending 2019 M. Hayes seconded the recommendation. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Reappoint Broering to Planning Commission: Tornow made a motion to reappoint Ron Broering to the Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Kelley. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

RFP responses and recommendations for Village Attorney: Three applications were submitted. Johnson –Village Clerk said that the current attorney did not respond and he charged \$160.00 an hour. B. Hayes made a motion to accept Montney Isles PLC bid for \$165.00 an hour and \$55.00 an hour for all paralegals to represent the Village in all legal matters for the duration of the contract. Deike supported the motion. **Roll Call:** B. Hayes-Y, M. Hayes-Y, Kelley-Y, Tornow-Y, Deike-Y, McGough-A. **Motion Carried.**

Exhaust in shop- bids in packet: tabled till next month, waiting for more bids to come in.

Farmacy in packet: paperwork is in packet. Discussion among council members about past issues regarding this. This has already been discussed with Planning that the current ordinance forbidding it will not be changed. It was brought up that he has a web page with the State Street address. **Discussion on legal actions to take. Johnson will contact the proper authorities with the information.**

Treasurer Training- info in packet: Houser said that the MMTA is offering further training. This will be week-long training. This will help her to get her CFO (Chief Financial Officer); the cost will be \$550.00 for the first year. She said the training will be in Mt Pleasant. Deike made a motion to deny the expenses for the MMTA training and advise her to further inquire on scholarship opportunities. B. Hayes seconded the motion. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Up North Prevention Proclamation: In the packet are the Up North Prevention information sheet and the Proclamation saying that April is Social Host Responsibility Month. This is done every year. Deike made a motion we adopt the Proclamation that April 2017 is Social Host Responsibility Month. M. Hayes supported the motion. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

131 Corridor information and Representation: No representative present at the meeting. McGough said the meeting was on Thursday at 9am in Kalkaska. Handout in packet.

Appoint Kelley and Johnson to community Parks Committee: Johnson said that this was the joint committee with the township and the trail committee. She said the Community Recreation Plan needed to be updated. Deike made a motion to appoint Kelley and Johnson to the Community Parks Committee. Motion seconded by Tornow.

Motion carried with all yeas

Deputy Clerk and Clerk Reappointments for term ending March 2017: tabled till March Meeting

DDA Budget Approval: Deike discussed the breakdown on the budget to Council: M. Hayes made a motion to adopt the Downtown Development Authority Budget for 2017, seconded by B. Hayes. **Roll Call:** M. Hayes-Y, Deike-Y, Tornow-Y, Kelley-Y, B. Hayes-Y, McGough-Y. **Motion carried.**

Drop Box Purchase bid in packet: several bids for a drop box were in packet. Deike made a motion to purchase the white large lock sturdy wall mount drop box for \$50.58 from Amazon. B. Hayes supported it. **Roll Call:** Kelley-Y, M. Hayes-Y, B. Hayes-Y, Deike-Y, Tornow-Y, McGough-Y. **Motion carried.**

Approval of Village Budget: M. Hayes made a motion to approve the Fife Lake Village Budget for 2017 as presented, seconded by Tornow. **Roll Call:** B. Hayes-Y, Deike-Y, Kelley-Y, Tornow-Y, M. Hayes-Y, McGough-Y. **Motion carried.**

School Seeds Grant: Deike discussed the grant programs for students for summer employment and other programs. Deike said she was approached by the principle to possible support the program on behalf of the Council. She said she signed the paper on behalf of Council in support to this. M. Hayes made a motion to authorize Deike to signs and support the SEEDS program. B. Hayes supported the motion. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Updated Items

Appoint Zoning Administrator- recommendation from personnel: Houser discussed the recommendations from the Personal Committee meeting. Reviewed the job description at the meeting. 4 candidates applied for the position and upon their review it narrowed down to two people who met the qualifications for the job. The Personal Committee reviewed each individual. The board recommended Ron Broering for the position for \$4,000 yearly. B. Hayes made a motion to accept the Personal Committee recommendation to hire Ron Broering as Zoning Administrator with yearly salary of \$4,000 dollars' contingent on him resigning on the ZBA. Motion seconded by Tornow.

Roll call: B. Hayes-Y, M. Hayes-Y, Kelley-Y, Tornow-Y, Deike-Y, McGough-Y.

Motion carried.

Post DDA seat vacancy Term ending 2018: Posting going out.

Post Planning Commission seats 1-2020, 1-2018, and 1-2019: Kelley showed interest in one of the vacant seats. M. Hayes made a motion to appointment Kelley to the Planning Commission as Council representative with the term ending 2020. B. Hayes seconded the motion. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Communication: a letter was read from Bob Menzies resigning from the Road Committee.

Public Comments: Linda Forewerck- 117 Front Street: thanked the council for fixing the street light and the snow piled up on Boyd and Front Street. She also commented on how nice the building looked.

Stan Patrick 7461 Blue Road: Reported on how successful the Fishing Derby was this year. He said that he received many compliments on how nice it was. There were 353 entries this year.

Board Comments: Deike mentioned that Stocking was present at the meeting and that he has not been able to give a Street Report. McGough said it would be added on the agenda every month. Stocking reported that he is repairing the pot holes with cold patch. He said that he was looking on getting it from the hardware instead of going into Traverse. Kelley said that she feels good that people of this community can voice their concerns weather happy, sad or angry to this board without problems from this board. He is happy to be on this board. **She**

Motion by Deike to adjourn at 8:44pm

Respectfully Submitted
Marcia Eby