

VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 1, 2017

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday May 1, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present included President Jordan, Treasurer Hussain, Clerk Somers and Council Members Healy, Mahalak, Putsky, Somers and Zielinski. Council Member Gauthier was absent. Also present were several guests and Attorney David Cook. The minutes of the April meeting were approved on a motion from Healy with support from Mahalak. The treasurer's report was approved subject to audit on a motion from Healy with support from Zielinski. Holly stated that she attended training for the area Treasurers last week. She is looking forward to working on the tax bills using the new system. She also is going to be sending out a sewer billing schedule with the next sewer bills. During a conference call recently with the State of Michigan Department of Treasury Holly, Linda and Phil were given some suggestions for taking care of concerns with our audit process. Concerns were also addressed about a couple of areas where we spent more than had been budgeted for. The officials asked for an explanation of what has been done and what will be done in the future. One of the areas we needed to look at was with the Equipment Rental Fund that was in the red. That occurred because a new roof needed to be put on the maintenance building. We need to make some fiscal year end amendments/adjustments to the budget. A list was given to Council Members. A motion was made by Healy with support from Mahalak to adjust the budget as follows: Move \$7,000 from Village Raised to Local Streets to cover budget. In Equipment Rental to use fund equity/checking account to cover deficit of \$7,085.69 that occurred in Maintenance & Repairs. In Major Streets to move \$487.85 from Routine Maintenance Salaries to cover deficits in SS (162) Administration fee (225) and Winter Maintenance Salaries (100.85). To move \$331.00 from Routine Maintenance Salaries to cover deficits in SS (156) and Administrative Fee (175). General Fund take \$7604.19 from Capital Outlay to cover deficits in Miscellaneous (4489.26) and Office Supplies (3114.93) and in Fire Department to take \$3305.76 from Salaries to cover deficits in Maintenance (2735.67) Other (.09) and Miscellaneous (300.00). In Medical First Responders to take \$920.04 from FD Salaries to cover MFR Salaries deficit. Linda explained that these are not having to use any savings or CD's, it's simply a matter of moving money that was left over in one line item to another that needed funds to balance. DDA Treasurer Evelyn Good presented the proposed DDA budget for approval. Their budget year runs from May 1st through April 30th. A motion was made by Healy with support from Zielinski to approve the DDA budget. It follows:

DDA BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2018

INCOME

Estimated balance from 2017	\$360,000.00	
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Interest	500.00	
TIFFA Alcona County	40,000.00	
TIFFA Gustin Township	5,875.00	
TIFFA Gustin Township Fire Millage	8,500.00	
TIFFA Village of Lincoln	63,750.00	
SUBTOTAL		118,450.00
TIFFA Passthrough		

MSU Extension	1,380.00	
Library	4,930.00	
Gustin Township Road	18,000.00	
ACCOA	4,930.00	
Ambulance	9,000.00	
	SUBTOTAL	38,240.00
	TOTAL INCOME	\$516,690.00
EXPENSES		
Administrative	500.00	
Beautification	3,000.00	
DDA Consultant	30,000.00	
Economic Development	100,000.00	
Financial Audits	2,200.00	
Fire Department	4,000.00	
Legal Fees	500.00	
Membership Per Diem	3,600.00	
Village Administrative Fee	20,000.00	
Web Site		
	SUBTOTAL	163,800.00
Passthrough Reimbursements	1,380.00	
MSU Extension Office	4,930.00	
Gustin Township Road	18,000.00	
ACCOA	4,930.00	
Ambulance	9,000.00	
	SUBTOTAL	38,240.00
	TOTAL EXPENSES	202,040.00
	TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$314,650.00

Bids were opened for Lawn Mowing services for the three year period of 2017-2019. 1. Stout's Lawn Mowing Service/\$1,100.00 per cut. 2. Chosen Ranch \$950.00/per cut. Haglund's All Outdoor \$1,050.00/per cut. Following a discussion a motion was made by Zielinski with support from Healy to award the Lawn mowing bid to The Chosen Ranch. Motion carried.

The Fire Department Report was given by Bill Cordes, Assistant Fire Chief. There were 6 fire runs and 13 First Responder calls in the past month. There have been quite a few calls for downed power lines due to high winds. Village resident Andrew Wright introduced himself to the Council and stated that he would like to join the Fire Department. A motion was made by Healy with support from Zielinski to allow Andrew to join the fire department. Carried. The department has been kept busy with various training seminars. Safety Days will be held at Alcona Schools on May 5 & 6th. They will also be working with the local Headstart children at the school on May 18th. Many repairs have been made on the department's equipment. In Public Comment time, Marlene Castleman stated that she has received a letter that stated she needs to clean up her yard within 30 days but she stated that she needs some help. President Jordan stated that we have a blight ordinance in the Village and things need to be cleaned up and

we are obligated to enforce our ordinances. He further stated that we have volunteers and our maintenance man going around cleaning up and picking up garbage along the roadways. Frank Dimercurio of the Chosen Ranch offered to go with President Jordan and see what can be done. President Jordan thanked Mary Rivera, Village Resident for all her hard work in keeping her property up so nicely.

The Sewer report was not presented as it has not been turned in by Alpena Septic yet for the month. The groundwater discharge permit is still being worked on. The Street report was fairly quiet as well. The equipment is being repaired and pot holes are being filled.

We received a check from Lapeer County for \$447.79. It appears it is for vandalism that occurred several years ago at the Flights of Imagination playground. Linda will look at the file and compare the names of the individuals to be sure before it is deposited.

Sara Healy gave 4 options for the new Master Plan. They range in price from \$9301 to \$8241. Council Members agreed that the #2 option was the best choice for our community. Sara will bring a contract for approval to the next meeting. It was noted that we have budgeted to pay for part of the new Master Plan over a 2 year period. Bill Putsky stated that he managed to fix 36 sets of the Christmas lights that he had taken home to try to salvage. The water is turned on for the trees downtown and they will be re-mulching the tree/flower boxes soon. There is one broken water line that will be repaired in front of Durfee's Restaurant. The new swim platforms and slide will be put in at the Brownlee Lake Beach within the next month hopefully. Raleigh Potts will be attending the Lincoln Lions meeting on Wednesday to speak with members about her efforts to raise funds for the project. Amanda Zielinski stated that Inspiration Alcona is working with Teresa Hart and Naomi Potter to ensure that the Chili Cook-off can continue in the fall. The Easter Egg Hunt was very successful, 16 bikes and helmets were given away. The County wide clean-up will take place at the ARA site on May 20th. The Website is in the process of being revamped. Holly stated that she hopes to put property tax information on the site. Sara asked about the Memorial Day ceremony that will be done at the park. Mike Serafin is putting things together and Phil will contact her with the details. May 24th at 6 p.m. Council Members will do their annual clean up event along Barlow Road near the DDA site.

President Jordan gave his report. He presented a new contract from Charter Spectrum regarding the franchise agreement with their company. A motion was made by Mahalak to charge Zero franchise fees to area residents as had been allowed by the agreement and allow Phillip Jordan to sign the agreement. Healy offered support. Motion carried. The broken light pole is still a work in progress. There have been problems due to the fact that approximately 5 years have passed since the poles were set in place during the Streetscape Project. In order to match our existing poles we may have to have one shipped from Canada. Phil will let us know as things unfold. President Jordan thanked Treasurer Holly Hussain for her hard work on the Groundwater Discharge Permit and also on the Act 51 Road Funding from the State of Michigan. We will be putting an ad together for bids for resealing and striping of parking lots in the Village. Attorney Cook suggested that a committee needs to be formed to assess the condition of each sidewalk within the Village. Bill Putsky and Marsha Mahalak will work with Phil and Linda to take a look at each sidewalk and rate them according to conditions for consideration of repairs. Several people have expressed concerns about parking on the sidewalks. It is impeding those who are trying to walk or those individuals who are handicapped. Language will be put together to

address the offenders. Parking near stop signs is also becoming an issue. State law says that it is illegal to park within 30 feet of a stop sign. Curb corners will be painted yellow and no parking will be strictly enforced.

A motion was made by Healy with support from Mahalak to pay the bills as presented. Carried.
A motion to adjourn was made by Zielinski with support from Mahalak. Carried.

Linda K. Somers

Village Clerk

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