



**VILLAGE OF CHESANING
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 7, 2019**

1. Call To Order: 7:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present: Chludil, Cicalo, Hoover, Larner, Powell, Sedlar, Wenzel
Absent: None

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Hoover, supported by Larner to approve. Motion carried 7-0

5. Public Statement I:

None

6. Consent Agenda

A. Receive and File:

- a. Michigan Retailer April/May Edition: Ed Rehmann & Sons Article
- b. National Park Service Email: National Water Trails Program
- c. Mosquito Abatement Commission Letter: 2019 Spring Larvicide Program

B. Approval of the Village Council Meeting Minutes

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2019

C. Approval of Accounts Payable: \$311,772.93

Motion by Hoover, supported by Larner to approve. Motion carried 7-0

7. Department of Public Works: Superintendent Trzil

DPW asked the Council if designated parking areas in Showboat Park was still being considered. Construction on N. Main Street has resulted in large rocks and boulders being unearthed and the owner of the property has offered them to the Village at no cost. Council agreed that we would take the material for future use in the park.

Superintendent Trzil notified the Council that the pump for the Vector Truck has broken and is not repairable. It was explained that the truck is 30 years old, and that this is a critical piece of equipment. He will come back to the Council with pricing on new/used equipment and Administrator Feltman will contact nearby communities to potentially cost share.

8. Unfinished Business

a. (None)

9. New Business

A. Items for Introduction/Discussion:

a. Social Media Platform Presentation

Administrator Feltman presented the new community engagement website, <http://michesaning.org>. This is a new tool to reach members of the community for feedback and ideas for the Village. The site is moderated by Bang the Table who runs the software. All members of the community can sign up on the site, all that will be needed is a valid email address. All ideas and/or issues will be directed to Administrator Feltman directly. The site is set up in a tile format and some of the information on the site include:

- Projects
- Community Board
- Public Notice
- True or False
- Community Polls
- Staff Shout Outs
- Connect with Council
- Community Calendar.

On the backend the Village will have a dashboard that will provide the metrics and drive the content moving forward. It will also provide an area for the Community Blueprint teams to communicate without having to hold a meeting. The sites ultimate goal is to increase dialogue in the community.

B. Items for Action:

a. Handmade Music Festival September 26-29th Event: Showboat Park Rental Request

Cheri Thiel asked to rent Showboat Park for the 2nd Annual Handmade Music Festival. Last year the event had 300 attendees.

Motion by Hoover, supported by Chludil, motion carried 7-0

b. Burn Permit Request: 726 E. Broad Street

Tim Weisenberger requested that he be allowed to burn tree branches that he had trimmed last fall. The Council denied this request on 4/16/19 as the pictures provided also showed leaves and logs. Mr. Weisenberger assured the Council that only the twigs would be burned.

Motion by Chludil, supported by Hoover to approve the burn. Motion carried 7-0

c. Burn Permit Request: 1005 Pine Street (creek bank)

This is an annual burn.

Motion by Chludil, supported by Hoover to approve the burn. Motion carried 7-0

d. **Kiwanis Club Campground Proposal: Fire Ring Replacement**

George Detwiler approached the Village to see if the Council would be interested in sharing the costs for new fire pits for the campground at Showboat Park. Je explained that he had contacted the Cadillac Culvert Company and found the pricing to be very good. In all, the Kiwanis Club and the Village would buy 60 new fire pits. These pits will be made of double steel and concrete and weigh roughly 450 pounds. This will eliminate the new fire pits coming up missing. The total cost will be roughly \$8100.

Motion by Hoover, supported by Cicalo to split the cost of the new fire pits with the Kiwanis Club. Motion Carried 7-0

10. Public Statement II:

None

11. Committee Reports (Village President: Committee Assignments)

a. **Infrastructure (Larner, Cicalo, Powell)**

No Meeting

b. **Finance & Administration (Hoover, Wenzel, Chludil)**

No Meeting

c. **DDA (Sedlar, Feltman)**

No Meeting

d. **Chamber of Commerce Board (Hoover, Feltman)**

No Meeting

e. **Planning Commission (Hoover, Chludil)**

No Meeting

f. **Airport (Wenzel, Hoover)**

No Meeting

g. **Police Committee (Sedlar, Cicalo, Chludil)**

No Report

h. **Fire Board (Larner, Cicalo)**

There were 3 runs since the last meeting

i. **Task Force (Sedlar, Powell)**

The Task Force held the elections of officers. All will remain the same.

12. Administrator's Report

President Sedlar thanked Lippert Components for the work done in the Park during their community involvement day. He stated that he is thankful for the wonderful people at the plant locally, and that it was nice to see their commitment to the community.

Administrator Feltman mentioned that more automation will be added to Council Chambers. Video equipment will be installed to tape and broadcast future meetings.

13. Adjournment

Motion by Hoover, supported by Wenzel to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm EST.

Motion carried 7-0

Minutes respectfully submitted by Village Clerk Trent Vondrasek