

Chesaning Village Council Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2017

President Sedlar called the meeting of the Chesaning Village Council to order at 7:30 p.m. on May 16, 2017, in the Village of Chesaning council chambers.

Roll Call: Present- Cicalo, Hoover, Lerner, Navarre, Sedlar, Vondrasek, Wenzel, Feltman, & Powell.

Motion by Hoover, supported by Cicalo to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Public Statement I – Statements concerning current agenda items.

Consent Agenda –

Receive & file: None

Approval of the Village Council meeting minutes from June 6, 2017.

Approval of Accounts Payable in the amount of \$84,441.14.

Motion by Hoover, supported by Lerner to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Police Department: Chief Wilburn

Submitted a report for May 15-June 18

New Business

Items for Introduction / Discussion-

Public Hearing: Proposed Ordinance 2017-05: Medical Marijuana Facilities Act & Corresponding Proposed Zoning Ordinance

Motion by Hoover, supported by Lerner to move into public hearing at 7:35 pm. Motion carried.

Public comments- Rachel Court, Peet Rd, said that it would be careless and negligent to ignore federal laws. She expressed concerns about carbon footprint, electrical demand, and undesirable microorganisms from Marijuana facilities. Kent Greenfelder, Line St, said that he had no objections to the ordinance. Donna Craft, Clark St, discussed her husband's passing due to cancer and stated that she wished there had been a local store front so that they may have had more time together. Joe Greenfelder, McKeighan Rd, said as a local business person, he's all for it. Tommy McFarlan, Anders Dr, said he is in favor of the ordinances and believes it will help the tax base. Bob Thurston, Gary Rd, said that Marijuana is already here, just not on the tax base. He also explained that Medical Marijuana can medicate without getting people high. Denise Navarre, Line St, sits on the Planning Commission and asked everyone to pay attention to public safety. She feels there is not enough security in the town for these sorts of businesses. President Sedlar stated that all these types of businesses would require a special use permits and will be looked at individually. Sandra McCormick, Executive Director Michigan Cannabis Development Association, Lansing MI, said that local law enforcement can make decisions about the amount of security each business should have. Dennis McDonagh, Center St, said that the ordinance should talk about specific emergency personnel and that public safety needs to be addressed. He would like to see the issues go to a public survey or vote for all residents. Joe Greenfelder said that Chesaning has to grow to make possibilities for the community. He said that you can't hold back for fear and that you have to try. President Sedlar said that we cannot over restrict businesses and that we need businesses to create jobs. Troy Feltman, Chesaning Village Manager, said that if Council decided to move forward, there was nothing that we couldn't regulate with this ordinance. Lisa Bohn, Clark St, said that Marijuana should be taxed and regulate like alcohol and tobacco. Councilman Lerner said that human trafficking is a much bigger problem than Marijuana. Councilman Vondrasek thanked the Planning Commission for all their work preparing the ordinances.

Motion by Hoover, supported by Cicalo to close the public hearing at 8:10 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Vondrasek, supported by Hoover to approve proposed Ordinance 20170-5: Medical Marijuana Facilities Act.

Roll Call Vote- Cicalo-Nay, Hoover-Aye, Lerner-Aye, Navarre-Nay, Sedlar-Aye, Vondrasek-Aye, Wenzel-Aye.
Motion carried 5 to 2.

Motion by Vondrasek, supported by Hoover to approve proposed Ordinance 2017-06 to amend zoning.

Roll Call Vote- Cicalo-Nay, Hoover-Aye, Lerner-Aye, Navarre-Nay, Sedlar-Aye, Vondrasek-Aye, Wenzel-Aye.
Motion carried 5 to 2.

Items for Action-

Sir John A MacDonald—Canada Day Proclamation Request-

Motion by Wenzel, supported by Navarre to declare July 1st as Sir John A MacDonald Day. Motion carried.

Contractor Payment Request for USDA Rural Development WWTP Project: \$230,074.02-

Motion by Hoover, supported by Navarre to approve Contractor payment request for USDA Rural Development WWTP Project: \$230,074.02. Motion carried.

July 4th Regular Meeting Date: Reschedule or Cancel-

Motion by Hoover, supported by Cicalo to cancel the July 4th meeting and call a special meeting, if necessary.
Motion carried.

Public Statement – Joe, Deitring Rd, asked for assistance with a property line dispute because of neighbors sub pumps flooding fields. Nancy Krause, Garden Club, discussed the flowers that they planted on the boulevard and asked about the sprinkler system. Feltman told her that they would have to work with the DDA. Kent Greenfelder commented that Showboat Park is looking nice.

Committee Reports

Infrastructure – Will be scheduling a meeting.

Finance & Administration – Meeting was canceled next meeting scheduled for July 18th.

DDA – Met on June 14th.

Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting – Discussed the new building, lifelong lease with the transfer of property including near the sign and the parking lot behind Neurich's, would also like lease for sign.

Planning Commission – Next Meeting will discuss fences and chickens on July 25th.

Airport – Will have camping on the 8th and 9th of July with fireworks on the 8th and Dawn Patrol breakfast on the 9th. Meets August 14th.

Parks & Rec – Amphitheater clean up went well. Playground equipment needs updating and possible campground updates. Questions about online reservations. Meeting on July 5th.

Fire Board – Had 19 runs since the last meeting, 15 in the last weekend. A truck went go to Big Rock for the last day of school celebration. Next meeting is July 12th.

Task Force – Next meeting is June 27th at the Chamber building at 7am.

Administrators Report –

Motion by Hoover, supported by Navarre to accept the low bid for sanitary sewer repairs from Fox Construction for \$31,983.50. Motion carried.

Motion by Navarre, supported by Hoover to adjourn the regular council meeting.

President Sedlar adjourned the regular council meeting at 8:59p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Village Clerk Tina Powell