

Chesaning Village Council Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2016

President Sedlar called the meeting of the Chesaning Village Council to order at 7:30 p.m. on July 19, 2016, in the Village of Chesaning council chambers.

Roll Call: Present- Cicalo, Hoover, Larner, Navarre, Sedlar, Swartzmiller, Vondrasek, Feltman, & Ebenhoeh.

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

Public Statement I – Statements concerning current agenda items. – None.

Consent Agenda –

Receive & file: Utility Billing Survey Results - Recycling Questions; Michigan Public Service Commission Letter - Video Franchise Operations; Michigan Dept. of Public Health Letter - Saginaw County Fairgrounds; and Mid Michigan Waste Authority Community Connection Newsletter.

Approval of the Village Council meeting minutes from July 5, 2016.

Approval of Accounts Payable in the amount of \$81,799.63.

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

Police Department Report – Police Chief Wilburn - Chief Wilburn attending funeral in Redford.

Unfinished Business – none.

New Business

Items for Introduction / Discussion-

Public Hearing – Proposed Ordinance 2016-02 To provide for the Appointment of the Chesaning Village Clerk -

Motion by Hoover, supported by Vondrasek to open public hearing. Motion carried.

Public Hearing began at 7:32 p.m.

Much discussion was held regarding the possible change to appointing the Village Clerk instead of electing the Village Clerk position.

Swartzmiller stated the Village Clerk is an important structure that should be brought through a vote of the people.

Ron Ebenhoeh voiced his opinion in favor of electing the village clerk.

Sedlar stated it would streamline the position if clerk was appointed and worked in the office.

Feltman will research with auditors to see if there is a possible conflict of interest if an employee takes on the appointment of village clerk position.

Ebenhoeh gave her views and those of past clerk Mary Beth Reiber. Ebenhoeh is in favor of keeping it an elected position. Reiber likes the idea of having someone in the office handle the duties as they already know the day to day operations and it would be less of a learning curve for an office person to perform the duties.

Hoover asked what the extra payroll costs would be.

Swartzmiller asked if this appointed position would go to a union employee.

It was decided that more information needs to be provided on changing this.

Motion by Vondrasek, supported by Cicalo to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Public hearing ended at 8:04 p.m.

Back in open session –

Feltman stated he would do the due diligence and seek the opinions of our auditor and village attorney to see if there are any conflicts with having office staff perform the village clerk duties.

Motion by Swartzmiller, supported by Cicalo to table the Ordinance 2016-02 until more information can be obtained. Motion carried.

Items for Action -

Ordinance 2016-04 Amending the Village of Chesaning Zoning Ordinance -

An ordinance to amend the Village of Chesaning Zoning Ordinance adopted August 18, 2009, pertaining to the classification of Property. The Village of Chesaning hereby ordains: The Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Chesaning is hereby amended by amending Article 2. Definitions, Section 2.02 in the following manner:

Adult foster Care Large Group Homes (13 or greater persons): A group home that has an approved capacity to receive at least thirteen (13) or more adults to be provided with foster care.

B. Amending Article 4 – Land Use Districts, Section 4.10 – Table of Uses as Follows: Adult Foster Care Large Group Homes (13 or greater persons) shall be allowed in zoning districts R-3, B-1, & B-2 by special use permit only.

C. Rezoning 3.97 acre lot (parcel number to be determined) of the parent parcel # 13-09-3-08-1203-000 from the current R-4 district to B-2 zoning district.

D. Rezoning parcel # 13-09-3-17-1804-003 from A-1 district to B-2 zoning district.

Motion by Hoover, supported by Cicalo to approve Ordinance 2016-04. Motion carried.

Lease Agreement between the Village of Chesaning & River Rapids District Library -

Discussion was held regarding Lease Agreement. The library has a board meeting scheduled for August 10, 2016.

Motion by Cicalo, supported by Hoover to table discussion on Lease Agreement. Motion carried.

Public Statement –

Village resident asked what is going on with Golf carts in the village. She stated the ordinance has been in effect for years. Council stated discussion was held at last meeting regarding golf cart issues in the Village and the police have been directed to handle the infractions according to the ordinance.

Village resident asked what the speed limit is on Village streets. Speed limit is 25 mph on all Village Streets. He continued and asked if a “Children Playing” sign can be installed near the corner of Chapman & Pine Streets. Since the detour has occurred, traffic has been increased greatly in that area, and drivers are not very cautious of the children that play in that area. Feltman will look into a “Children Playing” sign for that area.

Committee Reports

Infrastructure – Swartzmiller stated a great deal of work is being done on roads. Feltman stated discussion has surfaced on if it’s possible to do angle parking instead of parallel parking at St. Peter Church. This will be looked into further.

Finance & Administration – Committee is looking into the International Property Maintenance Code and a Peddler’s license.

DDA – DDA is looking for cost effective banner hangers.

Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting – Chamber is looking into a digital sign. Fireworks scheduled for June 29, 2017. The Chamber Annual Dinner is scheduled for January 21, 2017. Next meeting is 8/11/16.

Planning Commission – no meeting.

Airport – The Fly-In was successful. Next meeting is 8/8/16.

Parks & Rec – The 5K race and River Days had a good crowd. The campground was full. Parks & Rec recommends huge boulders be placed as bollards for the walking path. A tree has fallen over the path at the Birding Center. The Parks & Rec is planning a work day to take care of this tree.

Fire Board – Lamer reported they had 5 runs since last meeting. A total of 99 runs to date this year. The next meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2016.

Mid-Michigan Waste Authority – The survey sent out to Village residents show residents want Recycling to continue. August 8, 2016 is the next meeting.

Task Force – The next meeting is 8/26/16 at 7:00 a.m.

Presidents Report – no report.

Administrators Report – Feltman submitted a written report.

Feltman reported on discussions held with Chamber of Commerce regarding number of parking spaces Village will need at proposed C of C - Village shared office.

Motion by Navarre, supported by Hoover to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

President Sedlar adjourned the regular council meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Village Clerk Denise Ebenhoeh