

Chesaning Village Council Meeting Minutes  
October 17, 2017

President Sedlar called the meeting of the Chesaning Village Council to order at 7:30 p.m. on October 17, 2017, in the Village of Chesaning council chambers.

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

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

**Public Statement I** – Statements concerning current agenda items. Bryan Lone, Liberty St, was concerned that the animal ordinance was lacking details.

**Consent Agenda –**

Receive & file: Michigan Municipal League Worker's Compensation Fund Letter  
Approval of the Village Council meeting minutes from October 3, 2017.  
Approval of Accounts Payable \$165,378.17

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

**Police Department Report: Chief Wilburn** Submitted a written report.

**Unfinished Business**

**Medical Marihuana Facilities Licenses: Provisioning Centers—Discussion & Action**

Cicalo said that he still doesn't see a need for these businesses in the Village. Vondrasek said that he had looked at the proposals and that he felt the two that stood out were at 101 N Front St and 144 W Broad St. Vondrasek also commended community members for coming forward and voicing their opinions on this subject. Sedlar agreed with Vondrasek choice. Feltman reminded all in attendance that these businesses would still have a lot of work to do before they could open.

Motion by Vondrasek, supported by Larner to approve Medical Marihuana Facilities Licenses for Provisioning Centers on 101 N Front St and 144 W Broad St.

Roll Call Vote- Cicalo-Nay, Hoover-Aye, Larner-Aye, Navarre-Nay, Sedlar Aye, Vondrasek-Aye, Wenzel-Nay  
Motion carried by a 4 to 3 vote.

**New Business**

*Items for Introduction / Discussion-*

**Planning Commission Recommendation for Amending the Village Ordinance Regulating the Keeping of Animals**

Hoover stated that the original intent had been of the ordinance had been about regulating backyard chickens but had taken on other animals. It was agreed that all animal cruelty will be addressed criminally not civilly. Someone asked about allowing pigs as pets. Powell stated that less people would come in and get the permit if they needed to get permission for neighbors. The clause about not producing income was disputed. They felt people should be able to sell eggs if they wish. Feltman asked about GAAMP, Generally Accepted Agriculture and Management Practices. Navarre asked about removal of nuisance animals. Council agreed the schools should be exempt so they can raise animals for the Agricultural Education. Council agreed to send the ordinance back to the Planning Commission for more work.

*Items for Action-*

**WWTP USDA Rural Development Project: Contractor Application for Payment No. 8 for \$2,859.69**

Motion by Vondrasek, supported by Navarre to approve WWTP USDA Rural Development Project: Contractor Application for Payment No. 8 for \$2,859.69

**Public Statement –**

Nancy Piefer, Wahl Rd, St. Charles, said that she had research from reliable sources to help make decisions, and that the Council's decisions have an impact on children. She feels there should be a focus on educating middle school age children about the effects of marijuana. Ed Bishop, Frandsche Rd, asked about the sale of village property by the airport. Feltman explained that there would need to be a public hearing scheduled before any action could be taken. David Hudson, Ferden Rd, asked if the Council would consider designating a specific area of Showboat Park for flying. Pastor Tim Woycik asked about business owners that had spoken in favor of the Medical Marijuana ordinance. Powell said that she would get him a copy of the minutes from the public hearing. Bryan Lone, Liberty St, spoke about necessary road work in his neighborhood.

**Committee Reports**

**Infrastructure** – No meeting.

**Finance & Administration** – No meeting.

**DDA** – Discussed advertising campaign, took bids for sidewalk repair for brick vs stamped concrete, paid bills.

**Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting** – Preparing for Candlewalk, garland and lights were purchased. Serious consideration for discontinuing Candlewalk. Work on Annual dinner in January. Poker room fundraiser beginning again.

**Planning Commission** – No meeting.

**Airport** – No meeting. Preparing to close in December. Meet again after January. More Lyme will be used for the moles in spring.

**Parks & Rec** – Gypsy Goddess fest went well but had low attendance. Halloween camping was a success. More fire rings are needed. Discussed ways to keep them from being stolen. Drone rules will need to be in place for parks by spring, send to the planning commission.

**Fire Board** – There have been 170 runs for the year. FEMA grant will be re-entered next month. There are 2 new recruits till the spring. Next meeting November 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Task Force** – Meets the 24<sup>th</sup> at the Chamber.

**Street Committee**

The Committee recommended we do work on Canal, E Liberty, and E Broad Streets and Volkmer Road. Feltman discussed continuing preventative maintenance and crack and seal. Bids will be gotten for the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Administrators Report –**

Submitted a written report. Feltman said that signs have been placed on the walking path at Showboat Park. Large stones have been delivered. There is a new agreement for the Public House renovations. Feltman has been unable to reach the representative for the playground equipment repairs needed at the park.

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

President Sedlar adjourned the regular council meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Village Clerk Tina Powell