# VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 22, 2019

Mayor Bird called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

# ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Answering roll call were Lynn App, Dean Dorko, Angie Kukay, Duane Myers, Dave Redett and John Starcher.

Also present were Fiscal Officer Rhonda Sowers, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Chief Casey Joy, Police Officer Chris Suppelsa and Police Officer Matt Essex.

There were no visitors.

## **MINUTES**

Council approved minutes of the May 8, 2019 meeting as submitted.

# VOTE TO EXCUSE PRESIDENT PRO TEM STARCHER FROM THE AUGUST 14, 2019 MEETING

Mrs. Kukay moved to excuse President Pro Tem John Starcher from the August 14, 2019 regular meeting. Second by Mr. Redett. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mr. Dorko-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Redett-yes, Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

# EXCUSE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR BOB HRUSKA FROM THE CURRENT MEETING

Mayor Bird announced the Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska is excused from the current meeting.

#### VISITOR COMMENTS

There were no visitor comments.

#### LEGISLATION

There was no legislation.

## **REPORTS**

Mayor

Mayor Bird received a thank you from a citizen grateful for the assistance provided by the Marblehead Police Department following a recent theft.

The Mayor showed a picture of a mouse building a nest in a paper drawer of the copy machine in the police department and stated there appears to be a serious problem trying to rid the Town Hall of mice and occasionally raccoons. Chief Joy contacted an exterminator who trapped many mice but finally declared the problem impossible to solve until repairs are made to prevent access. Mayor Bird asked for council approval to appoint a sub-committee to study the Town Hall assessment recently completed by CT Consultants and look into various options and funding sources for handicapped accessible, rodent-free village offices. With Council authorization, Mayor Bird appointed Dean Dorko, Angie Kukay, Casey Joy, Bob Hruska and Rhonda Sowers to the sub-committee. Dean Dorko will serve as chair.

#### **Solicitor**

No report.

#### **Finance and Records Committee**

Mr. Starcher had nothing to report for his committee but did announce the Marblehead Merchants will once again sponsor Farmers Markets – which have been renamed Community Markets – beginning the second Saturday in June. The location has been moved to the grounds behind the Russian Orthodox Church.

#### **Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront Committee**

Mr. Dorko reported briefly on the May 14 Board of Public Affairs meeting where the subject of whether the water superintendent should be involved with interviewing and hiring was debated. Board member Jim Keys said the superintendent should participate in the process but President Bob Boytim adamantly opposed, stating the superintendent has never been involved in the process. Mrs. Sowers informed Board members that the village's insurance provider recently reviewed policies and recommended adopting a uniform hiring policy for all departments. Mayor Bird will consult with Solicitor Barney to see if a uniform hiring policy adopted by Council would also apply to the Board of Public Affairs.

# Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee

Mr. App said the Parks committee met with Erin Sandvick at its May 15 meeting. Mrs. Sandvick has 11 years of experience with park programming and presented ideas for the committee to consider for the Park Director position.

## Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee

Mr. Myers reported his committee met May 20 regarding road projects. He will report specifically on Alexander Pike under old business.

## **Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee**

Mr. Redett had nothing to report.

## Safety/Insurance Committee

Mrs. Kukay had nothing to report.

# Fiscal Officer

Mrs. Sowers had nothing to report.

## **Street Commissioner**

Mr. Lucas reported that Janet and Dick Monak asked him to have the village fill the swale abutting their property along Elliott Street. Council asked Mr. Lucas to consult with Engineer Julie Thomas to verify whether the swale is in the road right-of-way and if it is needed for drainage purposes.

## **Police Department**

Chief Joy reported Fr. Andrew recently completed Police Chaplain training. The Chief also reported that Officer Chris Suppelsa would be going to Los Angeles as one of the DRE experts representing the State of Ohio.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Council Approval of Police Policies and Procedures Mr. Myers moved to approve the Police Policies and Procedures, which includes the Canine Policy. Second by Mr. Dorko. Vote: Mr. app-yes, Mr. Dorko-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Redett-yes, Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.
- B. **Records Inventory for Retention Schedule** Mrs. Kukay contacted Donna Lueke who expressed interest in assisting with the records inventory once she has recuperated from her recent surgery.
- C. **Alexander Pike** Mr. Myers said he met on site recently with Julie Thomas, Bryan Lucas and representatives of Geddis Paving to discuss options for completing the Alexander Pike paving in compliance with the specifications. Mr. Myers said the most reasonable solution would be to have Geddis apply a top coat of asphalt so the final pavement depth will be a minimum of 3 inches. The committee is waiting for final costs from the village engineer.
- D. **Seasonal Park Maintenance Position** No decision has been made yet on hiring a seasonal park maintenance employee.
- E. Compliance Audit Mayor Bird reminded all that representatives from the State Auditor's office would begin the biennial compliance audit for 2017 and 2018 on May 28.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Appoint Ken Thellmann and Leonard Mazzolla as Seasonal Police Officers On the recommendation of Chief Joy and Mayor Bird, Mr. Starcher moved to appoint Kenn Thellmann and Leonard Mazzolla as 16 hour per week seasonal officers with the Village of Marblehead police department effective June 2, 2019. Second by Mr. Dorko. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mr. Dorko-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes. Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Redett-yes, Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.
- **B.** Camp Patmos Council agreed to let the staff from Camp Patmos continue to use the parking area across from the Town Hall as well as the public parking area west of the conveyor to register campers on Monday and Saturday mornings from June 17 through August 10.
- C. Assessment of Damage Caused by High Lake Levels Mr. Hruska will complete the paperwork to assess damage to village property caused by high lake levels. The assessment will be included in Ottawa County EMA's financial assistance claim. Included in the village's assessment will be damage to the break wall at Clemons Park.
- **D.** Lakeside Memorial Day Parade/Service Mayor Bird reminded all that this year's Memorial Day parade and service will be hosted by Lakeside on Monday, May 27. The

parade will begin at 10:30 am and proceed from Wesley Lodge to the Veteran's Memorial in Bettinger Park.

# **AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$8,720.37 by Mr. Dorko and seconded by Mr. App. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mr. Dorko-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Redett-yes. Motion carried. Mr. Starcher abstained.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Starcher. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:47 p.m.

APPROVED:

Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:

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