

**VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD JULY 12, 2017**

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 Dean Dorko, Angie Kukay, Duane Myers, Dave Redett and John Starcher.

Also present were Fiscal Officer Rhonda Sowers, Solicitor Jim Barney, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Sergeant Loren Welch and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

There were no visitors in attendance.

**COUNCIL VOTE TO EXCUSE COUNCILMAN ROYHAB**

It was moved by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mrs. Kukay to excuse Ron Royhab from the July 12, 2017 regular meeting. Vote: Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the June 28, 2017 regular meeting were approved as submitted.

**VISITOR COMMENTS**

There were no visitor comments.

**LEGISLATION**

Mr. Starcher read the following legislation by title only:

- A. **Ordinance No. 8, 2017** – An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 7, 2010 and Allowing Under-Speed Vehicles and Low-Speed Vehicles on Certain Roads and Streets in the Village of Marblehead. This was the second reading; third reading will be July 26, 2017.

Mayor Bird reported that Chief Joy has reviewed the proposed legislation and stated that he is happy with the way it is worded. Chief Joy does not want to implement a sticker/inspection for golf carts because of the additional burden it would place on his staff and the fact that it would be redundant since there is already a county system in place inspecting under-speed and low-speed vehicles.

**COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Solicitor**

Mr. Barney reported that the submerged land lease for the Lifesaving Station (Clemons Park) property has now been transferred to the village.

**Finance and Records Committee**

Mr. Starcher reported that Mark Dilley of MAD Scientist is still working on a development plan for Clemons Park.

**Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee**

Mr. Dorko had no committee report.

**Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee**

No report.

**Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront**

Mr. Myers stated he was unable to attend the July 11 BPA meeting and had nothing to report.

**Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee**

Mr. Redett stated the Planning Commission met July 6 during which they approved a setback variance and reviewed an informal request.

**Safety/Insurance Committee**

Mrs. Kukay noted there are low hanging tree branches along Frances Street that need to be trimmed.

**Fiscal Officer**

Council members initialed receipt of the June financial reports which Mrs. Sowers distributed prior to the meeting.

Mrs. Sowers announced that Board of Public Affairs members voted at the July 11 meeting to move the location of Board meetings from the Water Plant to the Fire Station beginning with the August 8, 2017 meeting.

**Street Commissioner**

Mr. Lucas said he will meet with a representative of 7L Construction at 8:00 am July 17 to discuss what work needs to be corrected in order to complete the James Park basketball court. Mr. Lucas will notify Parks Committee Chair Ron Royhab of the meeting.

Mr. Lucas also reported that he has authorized the property owner to replace a domed grate catch basin with a flat grate catch basin at 114 Lakeshore Drive due to the fact that the domed catch basin restricts vehicular access to the property. Mr. Lucas will supervise and inspect the work which will be done by Dave Shrock at the cost of the property owner.

**Police Department**

Sgt. Welch said the department has been asked whether bicycles are allowed to be operated on the sidewalks in the village. Mayor Bird said she is aware several business owners who are upset that they have had to remove their sandwich board signs from the edge of the road and sidewalks are now complaining that bicyclists shouldn't be allowed on the sidewalks either. Mayor Bird stated that for safety reasons cyclists, particularly families with children, will not be barred from riding on the sidewalk. The Mayor added that all complaints regarding this issue should be referred to her.

**Zoning Administrator**

Mr. Hruska had nothing to report.

**Board of Public Affairs**

No report.



## OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Keller Property at James Park** – Mr. Barney contacted the Keller family about the donation of a small section of property adjacent to James Park but was told that the family is going to transfer the parcel to another adjacent property owner, Steve Monak instead. Mr. Hruska said he was contacted by an engineer about the process to transfer from Keller to Monak but the transfer would not include the section at the south end of Robert Bird Drive which was offered to the village. Mr. Barney will contact the Keller family to clarify which property is going to Steve Monak.
- B. **Volleyball Court/RED HORSE Division – August Start Date** – Mr. Lucas said the RED HORSE personnel will begin moving equipment to James Park on August 2 and 3 and plan to have the sand volleyball court completed within a week. Mr. Lucas said he has been unable as yet to open the emailed spec sheet to know what materials the village will need to provide for this project.
- C. **125 Alexander Pike** – Mr. Dorko reported that he and Street Commissioner Lucas viewed the sidewalk in front of 125 Alexander Pike and determined that there is no existing sidewalk to either the north or the south of the property and the broken concrete running along the front of this lot is not a functional sidewalk. Mr. Dorko recommends granting the property owner permission to remove the broken sections of sidewalk remaining on the lot.

Mr. Dorko moved to make an exception to the sidewalk ordinance and allow the property owner at 125 Alexander Pike to remove the sidewalk in front of his house due to the fact there is no existing sidewalk on either side of his property. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

- D. **Set Public Hearing for July 26, 2017 at 5:45 PM on Zoning Ordinance Amendment in Regard to Setbacks** – Reminder that Council will hold a public hearing at 5:45 p.m., Wednesday, July 26, 2017 on text amendments initiated by the Planning Commission regarding building setback requirements. The hearing will be held in the meeting room of the Fire Station.
- E. **Village Rental Property/Boardwalks/Status Report** – Mr. Lucas said the decking has been tightened and is in good repair. He will be applying a protective coating soon to finish.
- F. **Lake Erie Island Water Trail Access Point Sign** – The access sign designating Clemons Park as stop #9 on the Lake Erie Islands Water Trail has been installed on the beach at Clemons Park.

## NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Council Authorization to Continue Membership in the Ottawa County Safety Council** – It was moved by Mr. Starcher with a second by Mrs. Kukay to continue membership in the Ottawa County Safety Council at a cost of \$120.00 per year and to retain Bryan Lucas as Village representative to attend Safety Council meetings. Vote:

Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes.  
Motion carried.

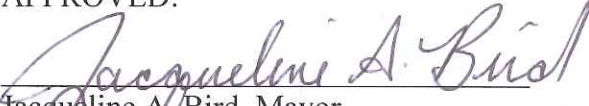
**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion to authorize payment of bills in the amount of \$65,340.90 including June payroll was made by Mr. Redett and seconded by Mr. Dorko. Vote: 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 6:31 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:

  
Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer