

**VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD NOVEMBER 14, 2018**

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, Solicitor Jim Barney, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Chief Casey Joy, Police Officers Chris Suppelsa, Matt Essex and Lisa Simmons, Police Chaplain Fr. Andrew Bartek and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

Visitor in attendance was Jennifer Buch.

MINUTES

Council unanimously approved Minutes of the October 24, 2018 regular meeting.

VISITOR COMMENTS

In keeping with the orthodox tradition of blessing water each January, Fr. Andrew of Holy Assumption Church announced he will conduct a community service to bless Lake Erie on January 12, 2019. Council gave approval to use Clemons Park for this service.

Jennifer Buch, manager of the Marblehead Peninsula Branch Library was present representing the Marblehead Merchants but took a moment to express thanks for the recent passage of the library replacement levy.

APPOINT "ZORRO" JOY AS POLICE DEPARTMENT MASCOT

Mayor Bird introduced Zorro, a Chihuahua pup adopted by Chief Joy to help reduce the pet influx in the Carolinas immediately following Hurricane Florence. Chief Joy's goal is to have Zorro certified through the American Kennel Club as a therapy dog to work with the department as well as visit places like schools, nursing homes and hospitals. Mr. Dorko moved to appoint "Zorro" Joy as the Police Department mascot. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes. Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

LEGISLATION

There was no legislation.

REPORTS

Mayor

Mayor Bird asked Chief Joy for an update on the Witter properties. Chief Joy said he was told that Chief Kahler can condemn the structures but it would then become village property. Solicitor Barney said there is a process by which the village can have the structures repaired or demolished and the cost put on as a tax lien but title to the property does not transfer to the village. Mr. Barney will meet with Chief Joy to review the process to proceed.

Solicitor

Mr. Barney had nothing to report.

Finance and Records Committee

Mr. Starcher said the Finance Committee will meet at 5:00 pm on November 21 to work on 2019 appropriations.

Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront Committee

Mr. Dorko reported on the November 13 BPA meeting.

Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee

Mr. App reported briefly on the library focus group meeting he attended November 13. Mr. App also said the Parks Committee will meet December 3. Danielle Steinhauser, grant specialist with CT Consultants will be present to discuss grant opportunities as well as information on the Ohio Main Street program.

Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee

Mr. Myers had nothing to report.

Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee

Mr. Redett stated the Planning Commission had two informal hearings during the regular meeting on November 7.

Safety/Insurance Committee

Mrs. Kukay had nothing to report.

Fiscal Officer

Council members initialed receipt of the October financial reports distributed by the Fiscal Officer prior to the meeting.

Street Commissioner

Mr. Lucas said built up soil and grass were removed from the Boytim's curve sidewalk which is now open to its full four foot width. Mr. Lucas said one of the sidewalk sections might need replacement next spring.

Police Department

Chief Joy had nothing to report.

Zoning Administrator

Mr. Hruska had nothing to report.

Board of Public Affairs

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Fire Station Vacated by DTFD** – Mayor Bird announced that Danbury Township Fire Department removed all remaining equipment from the bays at the Marblehead station as of November 7.

- B. **Appoint Danbury Township Fire Chief Keith Kahler as Marblehead Fire Prevention Officer** – Based on Council discussion at the October 10 meeting, Mayor

Bird contacted Danbury Twp. Fire Chief Keith Kahler who stated he is willing to serve as Marblehead Fire Prevention Officer and would do so without compensation. On the recommendation of the Mayor, Mr. Redett moved to appoint Keith Kahler to the uncompensated position of Marblehead Fire Prevention Officer effective January 1, 2019. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

- C. **Clemons Park Breakwall** – Mr. Lucas received a quote from Bruce Brockert of Marblehead Dredging for repair of the Clemons Park breakwall. Cost to reclaim rock from the lake and place it back on the breakwall is \$5,500.00. Cost to add armor stone to reinforce the wall is \$68.00 per ton with a minimum of 100 ton needed.
- D. **LWCF Grant Application** – Mr. App said there was insufficient time to compile the necessary documentation to meet the November 15 application deadline for the Land and Water Conservation Grant. The Parks Committee will discuss future funding applications when they meet December 3.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Authorize Purchase of 75 Tons of Road Salt from Holcomb Materials** – Mr. Lucas said Ottawa County has not received any bids for road salt this year due to a salt shortage so all townships and villages that receive salt through the county's bid need to find their own suppliers. Mr. Lucas reserved 75 tons of salt from Holcomb Materials, Port Clinton at a cost of \$125.00 per ton. Mr. Starcher moved to authorize the purchase of 75 tons of road salt from Holcomb Materials at a cost of \$125.00 per ton. Second by Mr. Myers. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.
- B. **Update Engineering Contract with CT Consultants** – Mr. Barney is reviewing a proposed update to the 2014 engineering contract with CT Consultants to revise rates for services and establish monthly billing. Mr. Barney plans to have a contract ready for Council action in December.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. App moved to go into executive session at 6:42 pm to discuss pending litigation with the Solicitor and to discuss appointment of a public employee. Second by Mr. Starcher. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Bird reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

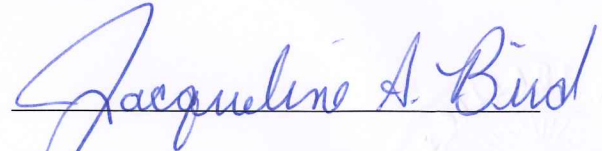
AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$47,208.15 including October payroll made by Mr. Redett and seconded by Mr. Dorko. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes. Motion carried. Mr. Starcher abstained.

ADJOURNMENT

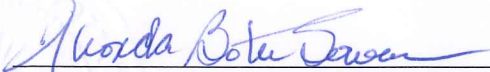
Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Starcher. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 7:12 p.m.

APPROVED:



Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:



Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer