

**VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD JUNE 26, 2019**

President Pro Tem John Starcher 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 Officer Matt Essex and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

Visitors in attendance were Lori Cobbledick and Lee Walker.

VOTE TO EXCUSE MAYOR BIRD FROM CURRENT MEETING

Mrs. Kukay moved to excuse Mayor Bird from the June 26, 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.

VOTE TO EXCUSE COUNCILMAN MYERS FROM JULY 24 MEETING

Mr. Redett moved to excuse Duane Myers from the July 24, 2019 regular meeting. Second by Mr. App. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mr. Dorko-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Redett-yes, Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Council approved minutes of the June 12, 2019 meeting as submitted.

VISITOR COMMENTS

Lori Cobbledick advised Council there are several areas of sidewalk in need of repair. One is near House of Healing, 818 W. Main and the other near Bruno's, 722 W. Main. Mr. Starcher advised that adjacent property owners are responsible for maintaining the sidewalk abutting their property and asked Mr. Lucas to contact the owners about repairs.

LEGISLATION

There was no legislation.

REPORTS

Solicitor

No report.

Finance and Records Committee

Mr. Starcher had nothing to report.

Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront Committee

Mr. Dorko had nothing to report.

Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee

Mr. App will report under old business.

Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee

Mr. Myers will report 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 had nothing to report.

Police Department

Officer Essex had nothing to report.

Zoning Administrator

Mr. Hruska had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Community Development** – Mr. App reported he and Councilman Redett attended a meeting June 21 with a group of Marblehead Merchants, Danielle Steinhauser of CT Consultants and two representatives of the Orton Foundation to learn more about community development programs. The first step will be to establish a steering committee. Recommended makeup of the committee is two council members, two representatives from the merchants' group and two community members. Mr. App said this is not a council sponsored committee but council support is appreciated. He also cautioned it is not a short-term process.
- B. **Records Inventory for Retention Schedule** – Mrs. Sowers looked into the question of compensating a person to inventory records and found that the person would be considered an employee rather than an independent contractor. Mrs. Sowers said the original hope was to find a company that could do the inventory rather than bring on another employee who would need training. Rather than spend time training, Mrs. Sowers said she will attempt the inventory with the help of her assistant Olga Trumpower.
- C. **Alexander Pike** – Mr. Myers reported that Geddis completed the asphalt layer on Alexander Pike. Mrs. Sower said she still does not know what the additional cost for the asphalt will be.
- D. **Assessment of damage caused by high lake levels** – Mr. Hruska stated the village damage assessment was completed and was filed with the Ottawa County assessment sent to the state. Mr. Hruska advised that overtime costs for clearing debris from Main

Street should be eligible for reimbursement but damage to the breakwall at Clemons Park might not be funded if the wall does not qualify as critical infrastructure.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Removal of Pedestrian Crossing Sign at Biro's** – Mr. Starcher said the pedestrian crosswalk sign in front of Biro Manufacturing was removed at Biro's request because cars were not stopping and it was posing a hazard to employees in the walkway. Mr. Dorko said he feels that sign helped slow traffic as it was entering the village but he does not object to removing it.
- B. Discussion on ODOT plan to construct Danbury Twp. roundabout in 2021. Consider Resolution if support of township** – Mr. Starcher said ODOT has plans to construct a roundabout at the intersection of North Shore, Englebeck and East Harbor roads in 2021. The Danbury Twp. Trustees have passed a resolution opposing this plan and are asking Council to do the same. Mr. Starcher opened discussion on the topic by saying there is overwhelming data showing roundabouts improve traffic safety and are more efficient than four way stops or traffic lights. Mrs. Kukay and Mr. Myers agreed adding that more and more roundabouts are being constructed. Mr. App and Mr. Redett both favor a roundabout at that intersection. Mr. Dorko said the key is making sure it is engineered to accommodate boats on trailers. Mr. Myers questioned why the Township Trustees oppose a roundabout. Following a lengthy discussion council declined passing a resolution opposing ODOT's plan to construct a roundabout in Danbury Township.
- C. K9 Handler Agreement** – Mrs. Sowers stated the Fair Labor Standards Act requires the village to have a contract with its K9 handler specifying how the handler will be compensated for off the clock work such as grooming, feeding, exercising and training the dog. Solicitor Barney will prepare a contract for Council's consideration.

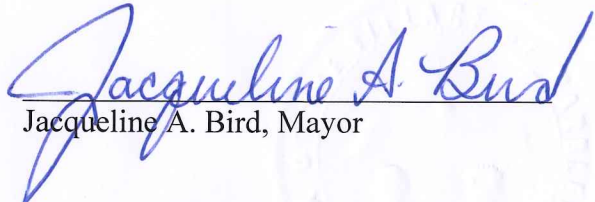
AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$14,059.24 made 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 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED:


Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:


Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer