

**VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD MARCH 13, 2019**

Mayor Bird called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Redett was excused.

ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Answering roll call were Lynn App, Angie Kukay, Duane Myers and John Starcher.

Also present were Fiscal Officer Rhonda Sowers, Solicitor Jim Barney, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Chief Casey Joy, Police Officer Chris Suppelsa, Police Officer Matt Essex and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

Visitor was Deb Stephens, representing the Marblehead Merchants.

VOTE TO EXCUSE COUNCILMAN DORKO FROM THE CURRENT MEETING

Mr. Starcher moved to excuse Dean Dorko from the March 13, 2019 regular meetings. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Council approved minutes of the February 27, 2019 meeting as submitted.

VISITOR COMMENTS

Deb Stephens reported that the Marblehead Merchants are interested in having directional or wayfinding signs located throughout the downtown as an aid for visitors. Mr. App said signs are one of the goals set by the Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee. Mr. Starcher added that the Merchants would like to continue meetings, perhaps quarterly, with a Council representative to discuss common goals. Mayor Bird asked that Councilman App fill this role.

LEGISLATION

There was no legislation.

REPORTS

Solicitor

Mr. Barney had nothing to report.

Finance and Records Committee

Mr. Starcher stated he will schedule a committee meeting soon to continue discussion on a proposed police K9 unit.

Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront Committee

No report.

Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee

Mr. App reported that beginning March 20 the Beautification/Parks/Cemetery committee will meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm in the fire station meeting room. Mr. App also stated the letter of intent was submitted last month for the Save Our Great Lakes Grant

to assist with work at Clemons Park and added that deadline to apply for a NatureWorks Grant is June 1.

Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee

Mr. Myers had nothing to report.

Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee

No report.

Safety/Insurance Committee

Mrs. Kukay had no committee report but did announce she has learned that the Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure will be taking place in June and will be in the village on June 18. Chief Joy will contact the organizer for more detail.

Fiscal Officer

Mrs. Sowers said the first half real estate distribution has been received. Council members initialed receipt of the February financial reports distributed earlier in the month.

Street Commissioner

Mr. Lucas had nothing to report.

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. **Update on Ashby Properties at 106 and 110 Perry Street** – Chief Joy said he is still waiting for a written report of the property condition from Fire Chief Kahler.
- B. **Update on Police Policies & Procedures** – Mr. Barney stated he and Chief Joy are currently eliminating those sections of the draft that do not apply to small departments and hope to have the policy ready for council review soon.
- C. **Update on Alexander Pike** – Mrs. Sowers reported that Geddis Paving has not yet responded to Engineer Julie Thomas' request for a plan to correct deficiencies in the Alexander Pike paving. Mrs. Thomas has also been in contact with Mr. Barney for advice on this matter. Mr. Lucas added that he is still seeking quotes on the work to repair the sinkhole at the north end of the road.
- D. **Estimates for Gutter/Curb repair at 110 W. Main** – Mr. Lucas is still waiting for quotes from contractors.

- E. **Update on Records Inventory for Retention Schedule** – Mrs. Kukay has been in contact with a number of agencies, both local and at the state level, seeking advice on a person or firm to complete an inventory of village records to facilitate creation of a retention schedule. While she received many suggestions, Mrs. Kukay has not yet found anyone to take on the task. Council members provided names of several local individuals who might be available. Mrs. Kukay will continue the search.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Motion to revise the Credit Card Policy (Section 13.15) of the Village of Marblehead Personnel Policies and Procedures** – Mr. Barney and Mrs. Sowers explained the revised Credit Card Policy which complies with the requirements of HB 312. Mr. Starcher asked for additional time to review the changes. Mayor Bird agreed to postpone action until the March 27 meeting.
- B. **Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program Grant administered by the Ohio Attorney General** – Chief Joy explained the new body armor grant program being offered through the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation and the Ohio Attorney General's Office. Chief Joy said all of the vests worn by his officers need to be replaced this year and he would like to take advantage of this grant program. Each new vest will cost \$720.00 and the grant will reimburse 75% of the expense. Council favors making application for this grant and will have legislation drawn up for approval at the March 27 meeting.
- C. **Options to Obtain Road Salt for Next Winter** – Mr. Lucas reported that he recently learned the Ottawa County Engineer will no longer bid for road salt. As a result, each of the townships and municipalities that participated in the county bid will need to find their own source for salt. Mr. Lucas said the County Engineer plans to participate in ODOT's purchasing contract and participation in that program is an option for the village. Another option is to purchase directly from Holcomb Materials which is currently offering salt at a price of \$98 per ton. Council agreed to join the ODOT purchasing program regardless of whether the village purchases salt through this means.
- D. **Seasonal Banners** – Mrs. Sowers reported that Display Sales has an offer through the end of March that waives set up fee for all banners, including custom designs and pointed out that council noted last year that it is time to replace the summer banners which have become worn and faded. Mr. Myers moved to authorize \$2,500.00 for new banners from Display Sales. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes, Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

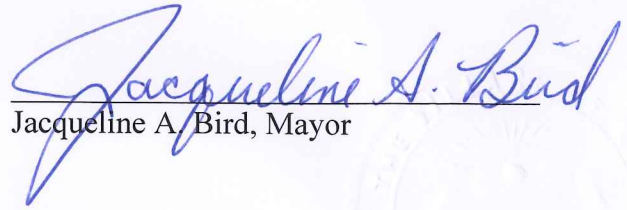
AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$40,987.66 including February payroll made by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mr. App. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mrs. Kukay-yes, Mr. Myers-yes. Motion carried. Mr. Starcher abstained.

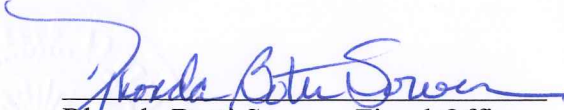
ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Starcher. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:42 p.m.

APPROVED:


Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:


Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer