

**VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 2019**

Mayor Bird called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 and John Starcher. Dave Redett was excused.

Also present were Fiscal Officer Rhonda Sowers, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Officer Matt Essex, Police Chaplain Fr. Andrew Bartek and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

Visitor was Deb Stephens representing the Marblehead Merchants.

MINUTES

Council approved minutes of the September 11, 2019 meeting as submitted.

VISITOR COMMENTS

Deb Stephens said the Merchants discussed the need for a point person to coordinate events/activities in the village and wonder if council would be willing to share the cost for this position. Mayor Bird said the Parks Committee is working to create a Park Director position with the thought that this person could coordinate village events. Mr. Myers suggested the Chamber director might be able to serve as a point person. Mr. App said the Heart and Soul program being studied by the Community Development Steering Committee could ultimately fill this need but for now, Mr. App said the Parks Committee will discuss this request at its next meeting.

LEGISLATION

President Pro Tem John Starcher read the following legislation by title only:

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 3-2019** – An Ordinance Establishing a Hiring Policy for all Village Departments. This was the second reading; final reading will be October 9, 2019.

REPORTS

Solicitor

No report.

Finance and Records Committee

Mr. Starcher said the Finance Committee will be meeting in the near future to begin work on appropriations and asked department heads to submit budget requests to the fiscal officer.

Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront Committee

Mr. Dorko had nothing to report.

Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee

Mr. App said the Parks Committee continues to meet and work on plans for personnel. Mr. App also presented an update on the headstone cleaning/repair being done by volunteers Ron and Jane Crandall at Clemons Cemetery.

Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee

Mr. Myers had nothing to report.

Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee

No 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. **Update on Ashby property at 106 Perry St.** – Mayor Bird reported the Solicitor mailed a notice to Mary Ann Ashby Witter on September 25 giving 30 days to remove or repair the structure at 106 Perry Street or the village will demolish it and assess the cost as a tax lien against the property.

- B. **Update on safety concerns at Hannes property at 1310 W. Main** – Mayor Bird stated that Bob Hruska and Chief Joy inspected the property at 1310 W. Main and contacted owner Christine Hannes about the open pit remaining after the house was demolished. Mrs. Hannes said she will make sure the fencing is re-secured to the posts.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Complaints** – Mayor Bird reported receiving two nuisance complaints. One is about the location of dumpsters near the front of 130 W. Main and the other is feral cats in the area of 122 W. Main. Chief Joy will look into both complaints.


AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$4,029.97 made by Mr. Dorko and seconded by Mr. App. Vote: Mr. App-yes, Mr. Dorko-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 6:23 p.m.

APPROVED:



Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:



Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer