

Minutes
Village of Kingsley
Village Council Meeting
November 13, 2023

Village Hall, 207 South Brownson Ave, Kingsley, MI 49649- (231) 263-7778

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Lajko.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

President Lajko X, Trustee McPherson X, President Pro Tem Weger X, Trustee G. Bogart X, Trustee Wallace X, Trustee Bott AB, Trustee Weber X

Also Attending: Clerk Forro X, Manager Aldrich X, DPW Supervisor Almquist X.

Motion by Weger, seconded by McPherson, to accept the agenda as presented.

1. Any person wishing to address the Board shall state his or her name and address.
2. Public comment will only pertain to agenda items listed. Any comments will be taken into consideration by the Board at a later date. No person shall be allowed to speak more than once on the same matter. The Chairperson shall control the amount of time each person shall be allowed to speak, which shall not exceed three (3) minutes. Chairperson may, at his or her discretion, extend the amount of time any person is allowed to speak.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Announcements from the Village Manager:
See Report Attached
2. Announcements from the Village Clerk:
None
3. CPO Dustin Stickler:
Report given orally.
4. County Commissioner Scott Sieffert:
Reiterated financial policy change for negative fund accounts.
5. GT County Road Commission:
Ready for winter, New facility is coming along, will reconvene after the 1st of the year on the capacity study.
6. Paradise Township:
No one in attendance.

7. Other:
None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

All matters listed under the consent calendar are considered to be routine by the Village Council and will be acted upon by voice vote -- no discussion. Council members and/or the public may remove any item and have it placed elsewhere on the agenda for discussion.

1. Consideration of approving the minutes of the September 25, 2023, Joint DDA Study Session (Approval Recommended).
2. Consideration of approving the minutes of the October 9, 2023, regular meeting (Approval Recommended).
3. Consideration of approving the minutes of the October 23, 2023, special meeting (Approval Recommended).

Motion by Bogart, seconded by Weger to accept the consent calendar as presented. All in Favor: Yes: All. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Draft Water and Sewer Agreement for the Grand Traverse County Road Commission

Village Council discussed. Final draft will be presented at December 11th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of appointing Whitney Specker to the Planning Commission

Motion by Weber, seconded by McPherson to accept Eric Weger's resignation from the Planning Commission effective November 10, 2023 and to appoint Whitney Specker to the vacant seat with the term ending December 2026. All in Favor: Yes:All. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.

2. Consideration of entering into a contract with Artist Ivan Iler to provide a sculpture in Brownson Memorial Park as part of the MEDC Grant Award

Tabled until December 11th meeting. Village Manager to seek additional information.

3. DDA Financial Report by Treasurer Marc McKellar

Presentation from DDA Treasurer Marc McKellar. Brief discussion followed.

4. Consideration of entering into an agreement with Wade Trim for the 4" watermain replacement project.

*Motion by Bogart, seconded by Weger to authorize an agreement with Wade Trim in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000 for (survey, design, bidding, and/or construction phase services) for the 4-inch watermain replacement project, with funds available in the Water Fund (Michigan Infrastructure Grant).
Roll Call Vote: Yes: Lajko, Weger, McPherson, Bogart, Wallace, Weber. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.*

5. Consideration of entering into an agreement with Double Haul Solution to provide financial forecasting and operational assessment services.

Tabled until other proposals are received.

6. Consideration of adopting water and sewer rates for the next five years

Mike Engels, Director of Training with Michigan Rural Water Association presented. Village Council discussed.

Motion by McPherson, seconded by Weger to adopt an \$18.594 per month water rate, plus \$2.583 per 1,000 gallons above the flat 2,000 gallons per month for 2024-2025 fiscal year and to increase sewer rates to \$40.93 per REU per month for 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Lajko, Weger, McPherson, Bogart, Wallace, Weber. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.

Motion by Bogart, seconded by Weger to set a public hearing on December 11th to hold a discussion on new 2024 water/sewer rates. All in Favor: Yes: All. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.

7. Consideration of waiving the water and sewer fee for the building formerly known as Auto Tech located at 115 W. Main Street.

Died for lack of motion.

REGULAR REPORTS:

1. **Financial Fund Balance Report:**

Motion by McPherson, seconded by Weger, to accept the Financial Fund Balance Report as presented. All in Favor: Yes: All. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.

2. **Bills:**

Motion by Bogart, seconded by Weger, to accept the bills and additions as presented to include Elmer's \$1,440 out of Major Street Fund (formula error on Excel spreadsheet).

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Lajko, Weger, McPherson, Bogart, Wallace, Weber. No: None. Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.

3. **Planning Commission: Working on chicken ordinance.**

4. **DDA: None**

5. **Parks & Recreation:**

6. **Zoning Administrator: None.**

7. **Clerk: Report by Christina Forro.**

8. **DPW: See attached.**

9. **Treasurer: See attached.**

10. **WWTP: Report by Josh Hall. See attached.**

11. **Manager: Given during announcements.**

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1. Reserved.
2. General.
3. Mayor and Trustees.

*President Lajko will be attending the 2023 MAM Mayor's and President's Institute this week.
Trustee Weber and DPW Supervisor Almquist briefly discussed DPW and Sewer Plant needs.*

ADJOURNMENT

*Motion by Bogart, seconded by Weger, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm. All in Favor: Yes: All. No: None.
Absent: Bott. Motion CARRIED.*

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