

SUNFIELD VILLAGE COUNCIL
March 4, 2024
REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL 2023-2024

MEETING HELD SUNFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 PM

ROLL CALL: Present: Beers, Decker, Fox, McCoy, Peabody and Steele. Morris Absent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER lead by President Decker.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wacha reviewed cap on the gas line at \$5000 and discussed the budget meetings recently held to prepare for April 2024 Budget Fiscal year meeting. Motion Peabody to accept the Treasurer report, seconded by Beers. Passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: The council was concerned with the total for the Clorwell Electric bill regarding the new Kohler Generator installed. They have asked to table that bill for further review. All other bills were acceptable and moved forward for vote to pay. Motion made by Fox and seconded by Steele to accept and pay the bills. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Review of the public meeting minutes for Resolutions 24-2 and 24-3. No concerns or questions. Motion was made by Beers and seconded by Peabody to approve the Public Hearing minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Review of the February meeting minutes with a motion made by Beers and seconded by Peabody to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

DPW: Desgranges's report was given to all, and read privately. The conversation was discussed on the recommendation to purchase 3 new stainless-steel tables. A motion was made by Peabody and seconded by Beers to approve the estimate of \$1070 for new tables.

WATER & SEWER: None Given.

OLD BUSINESS: Decker introduced to the council the final candidate for the replacement position of Treasurer. Christina Grosshans has accepted the position of Treasurer. The council was asked for a motion to appoint Christina as Treasurer. Motion made by Peabody and seconded by Steele. Motion passed unanimously.

The salary of the Treasurer will be split between Wacha and Grosshan for the next 3-4 months as the training and transition takes place. Wacha will stay on until May to see the audit completed by Karl Drake, CPA.

Eaton County Treasurer Bob Robinson joined the meeting from teleconference to detail with the council the future building demolition to take place in Sunfield. The Eaton County Land Bank has received grant fund from the State of Michigan to demolish the house at the corner of 3rd Street and Washington; as well as the 3 buildings on Main Street, previously known as Backwoods Bar and Hannah's Meats. It would remove the buildings East of the Museum to Tammy's Salon. The clearing of the home on 3rd Street will take place in March, with the balance of the buildings to be completed by the end of the 2024 year. Fox asked if demolishing the buildings on Main Street would interfere with the Farmers Picnic held in August. Robinson agreed to

distribute a timeline with a start time after the Farmers Picnic. The council members were pleased with this decision. Communications will continue with Decker. Further action is needed by the council in signing the deed over to the Eaton County Land Bank.

NEW BUSINESS: Wacha presented to the council the required statement required by the banks to transition his name off the accounts and add Grosshan, continuing the signature cards to include President Decker and Clerk Snedegar. It reads:

Permission granted by the Sunfield Village Council at this March 2024 Regular meeting to allow Thomas Wacha Treasurer to add Christina Grosshan as Village Treasurer, Tricia Snedegar as Village Clerk, Michelle Decker as President to all the CD Accounts at the Commercial Bank, the CD and Water Department Money Market and General account money market at the Mercantile Bank, as well as all Village checking accounts at the Union Bank and remove Thomas Wacha from the above accounts.

Motion was made by Peabody and seconded by Steele to approve the necessary wording for the transition of Treasures. Motion passed unanimously.

Decker reminded the council that in April there would be 2 meetings. One for Budget and close out the fiscal year of 2023-2024 while the following meeting will be the first meeting for the new fiscal year of 2024-2025.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Fox and seconded by Steele to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Minutes taken and summarized by Tricia Snedegar, Village Clerk. This summary of minutes is not official until approved by Village Council at the April 8, 2024, meeting.