EDWARDSBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

January 21, 2019

The meeting of the Edwardsburg Village Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Scott Mackling, those in attendance were Paula Ralph (Clerk), and Trustees Jacque Tighe, Dennis Peak, Terry Bidwell, Jay Penny, Laura Hughes, and Kellen VanHulle. Absent: Lisa Withers (Treasurer).

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Peak, seconded by Tighe to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comments: County Commissioner Roseann Marchetti provided the board with topics of interest within the county. A complete transcript of the minutes can be found at www.casscountymi.org

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Bidwell, seconded by Hughes to approve the minutes of the 12/17/18 Regular board meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Revenue/Expenditure Report: Motion made by Peak, seconded by Tighe to approve the Revenue/Expenditure Report for the period of 04/01/18 to 12/31/18 as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Check Register Report: Motion made by Tighe, seconded by Bidwell to approve the Check Register Report checks #32835-32918. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The December 2018 (unaudited) report indicated that for the month receipts totaled $51,937.43, and the status of the certificates of deposit and savings accounts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Presidents Report: None

Cemetery Board: None

Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator: Mr. Krempec gave an update on current and previous violations, what has been done and what further action is being taken.

Building/Electrical/Plumbing/Mechanical Reports: Building Permits: 1 permit issued, $250.00 fees collected. Mechanical Permits: 1 permit issued, $180.00 fees collected.

Police Board: Representative VanHulle provided the statistics for the month of December 2018 within the village, they are as follows: Calls for Service totaled 180, total Traffic Crashes 13. Year-to-date figures, Calls for Service 2,031 and Traffic Crashes 124, with the remaining stats 0. A complete transcript of the police board minutes can be found at www.edwardsburg.net Motion made by Peak, supported by VanHulle for the Village to hold the Fines & Cost Fees from tickets written inside the Village to be used by the Village for street maintenance. All in favor. Motion carried.

Fire Board: None

Ambulance Board: Representative Hughes provided the Agency Activity Summary report for the month of December 2018. Total number of incidents was 72. Edwardsburg 15, Ontwa 31, Milton 2, Mason 1, Jefferson 1, Porter 1, Dowagiac 1, Niles Twp. 2, Cassopolis 3, Howard Twp. 2, City of Niles 3, Bremen 7, and Other 3. A complete transcript of the ambulance board minutes can be found at www.edwardsburgambulance.org

Parks Administrator: None

Water Commissioner: None

Street Administrator: Chris Powers has been hired as the new Street Superintendent. Motion made by Peak, supported by Bidwell to approve doing away with contracted uniforms and going to a $200.00 a year each clothing allowance for the Water & Street Employees. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion made by Peak, supported by VanHulle to pay the South Bend Tribune $490.00 (101-215-900 & 591-205-900) for the ad placed for the street position opening. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion made by Peak, supported by Hughes to approve payment of the 2018 special Drain Assessment in the amount of $1,034.84 (101-104-818). Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Building & Grounds: None

Equipment Supervisor: Motion made by Bidwell, supported by VanHulle to approve putting the old snow plow up for bids. The minimum bid will be $6,000.00 and the deadline for submitting bids will be Friday, February 15th at 4:00 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Recycling/Refuse Administrator: None

Planning Commission: Scheduled to meet on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce: March 13th is the Annual Chamber Dinner.

NEW BUSINESS

Adopt – Proclamation Commemorating School Choice Week: Motion made by Tighe, seconded by Bidwell to declare by Proclamation and recognize January 20-26, 2019 as the Village of Edwardsburg **School Choice Week**, and call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens. Motion carried.

Budget Amendments:

Jan-19

	Orginial Budget	Amended Budget	Change
101-000-691.000 Debt Proceeds-Snow Plow	$ -	$ 170,775.48	$ 170,775.48
101-441-970.000 Capital Outlay-Snow Plow	$ -	$ 170,775.48	$ 170,775.48
101-441-991.000 Debt Principal-Snow Plow	$ -	$ 8,200.00	$ 8,200.00
101-441-991.100 Debt Interest-Snow Plow	$ -	$ 750.00	$ 750.00

Motion made by Tighe, supported by Peak to approve the budget amendments. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution Number 19-01: Street Millage Proposal – May 7, 2019 Special Election:

VILLAGE OF EDWARDSBURG
RESOLUTION NUMBER: 19-01

Be it hereby resolved that the Village of Edwardsburg Council authorizes that a Special Election be held in Ontwa Township on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 for the purpose of the electors deciding the following millage proposal:

VILLAGE OF EDWARDSBURG
MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the Village of Edwardsburg, Cass County, Michigan, be authorized to increase the total millage on all real and personal property located within the Village by two (2) mills for the next twenty (20) years for the purpose of providing additional revenue for street repair and maintenance? The estimated additional revenue for the first year that the millage is authorized and levied is $43,981.00.

Motion made by Peak, supported by Tighe to approve Resolution Number 19-01 approving the ballot language for a street millage. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Budget Work Session: Saturday, March 9th @ 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Motion made by Peak, seconded by Tighe to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Next board meeting will be on Monday, February 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paula S. Ralph, Clerk
Village of Edwardsburg