

Village of Beulah
7228 Commercial St.
Beulah, MI 49617
231-882-4451
7:00 p.m.

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Regular Council Meeting Agenda – Tuesday, February 13, 2024

1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Conflict of interest by any council members
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Approval of Meeting minutes: January 10, 2024
6. Approval of bills for January 2024
7. Brief public comments on agenda items only

Communication to Council:

1. Rhonda Nye
2. Tim Cypher – Zoning Admin
3. Jessica Carland – Benzie Bus Annual Report

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Margaret Lumm

1. Water/Sewer – Chair Smith
2. Law/Finance – Chair Hook
3. Building/Grounds – Chair Browning
4. Parks/Rec – Chair Heniser: 2024 Boat Dock Rules & Application
5. Streets/Sidewalks – Chair Loll
6. Equipment – Chair Downs
7. Maintenance Supervisor – Jeff Cypert

Old Business:

New Business:

Correspondence:

1. Out of Village Sewer Connections Letter

Public Input: Each person allowed (2) two minutes for a total of (10) ten minutes

Adjournment

PUBLIC COMMENT

Purpose: The Beulah Village Council is a public policy setting body and subject to the Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976). It continually strives to receive input from the residents of the village and reserves two opportunities during the monthly scheduled meeting for you the public to voice opinions, concerns and sharing of any other items of common interest. There are however, in concert with meeting conduct certain rules to follow.

Speaking Time: Agenda items may be added or removed by the board but initially at least two times are devoted to Public Comment. Generally, however, attendees wishing to speak will be informed how long they may speak by the President. All speakers are asked to give their name, residence and topic they wish to address. This and the summarized statements/comments will be entered into the public record (minutes of the meeting). Should there be a number of speakers wishing to voice similar opinions, an option for a longer presentation may be more appropriate for the group and one or more speakers may talk within that time frame. The Council will not be accepting public comment via zoom/online.

Group Presentations – 10 minutes
Individual Presentations – 2 minutes

Board Response: Generally, as this is a “Comment” period, the council will not comment or respond to presenters. Silence or non-response from the council should not be interpreted as disinterest or disagreement by the council. However, should the council individually or collectively wish to address the comments of the speaker(s) at the approval of the President and within a time frame previously established, responses may be made by the board. Additionally, the presenter may be in need of a lengthier understanding of an issue or topic and may be referred to a committee appropriate to address those issues.

Public Comment is very important in public policy settings and is only one means for an interchange of information or dialogue. Each trustee represents the village and he/she may be individually contacted should greater depth or understanding of an issue be sought. Personal contact is encouraged and helpful to both residents and the board.

Council Contacts:

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Trustee	Phil Downs	231-882-4847
Trustee	DeAnn Loll	231-590-5430
Trustee	Mark Heniser	210-542-4890
Trustee	Jerome (Jerry) Smith	231-871-8747

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The Village of Beulah met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. by President Jeri VanDePerre at the Village Hall 7228 Commercial Street, Beulah, Michigan.

Present: Trustees Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook, Loll, Smith and VanDePerre
Staff Present: Superintendent Cypert, Treasurer Lumm, Clerk Olney
Public Present: Commissioner Rhonda Nye, Vicki Carpenter, Mary Szwed, Marsha Behm

Conflict of Interest by any council member: None

Agenda: Motion by Downs, seconded by Smith, to approve the agenda as amended, adding New Business #9 Legal Agreement Pre-Approval and #10 Amendment to Gosling Czubak Service Order. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook, Loll, Smith and VanDePerre Nays: None Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Heniser, seconded by Loll, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 budget meeting as presented. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook, Loll, Smith and VanDePerre Nays: None Motion carried.

Motion by Downs, seconded by Heniser, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 regular meeting as corrected on pages 2 and 3. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook, Loll, Smith and VanDePerre Nays: None Motion carried.

Bills:

Motion by Loll, seconded by Browning, to approve payment of the bills for December 2023 as presented. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook, Loll, Smith and VanDePerre Nays: None Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items – None

Communication to Council:

Commissioner Nye reported the Board of Commissioners met in an Organizational meeting last week and elected Bob Roelofs as Chair and Tim Markey as Vice Chair; meetings remain 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m.; Asst Prosecutor Dave Egeler is planning to run for Probate Judge; the Conservation District has outgrown their office space in Beulah and looking to move.

ZA Cypher reported that no land use permits were issued for the month of December 2023 – year-to-date were seven; Eden Brook legal counsel has stated that they are withdrawing all requests to the village; junk storage issue was taken care of and the complainant was notified – junk storage and blight are two different things; two sewer hook ups were not properly done with the village; have received a request for a dimensional variance, attorney John Grogan representing the Cowart's – need to schedule a date and time for a ZBA hearing.