

Village of Beulah  
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7:00 p.m.

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#### Regular Council Meeting Agenda – Tuesday, March 14, 2023

1. Roll Call: Loll excused
2. Pledge of Allegiance -- Voiced by all.
3. Conflict of interest by any council members: None
4. Approval of the agenda: Motion by Downs, seconded by Heniser, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.
5. Approval of Meeting: Motion by Downs, seconded by Browning, to approve the minutes of February 14, 2023 as corrected:  
STR: Hook made wording/language correction and provided copies for Council. The published ordinance was correct, regarding Section 7.2C trash disposal.  
Wade Trim communication to council by Jeri – page 2, 1<sup>st</sup> line strike out “and need to hear from EGLE for funding if Village could do a second loan.”  
Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.
6. Approval of bills for February 2023: Motion to Hook, seconded by Heniser, to approve the Bills for February 2023 as presented. Roll Call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.
7. Brief public comments on agenda items only: None

#### Communication to Council:

1. Rhonda Nye: business loans available through Venture North, School Resource Officer has a black lab which is a ‘liaison’ for kids and SRO, donated by Gaylord Jowett. 24/12 patrol officer efforts moving and hope by summer. County working on funding: Broadband work/ public safety communication being established on Tower Hill in Frankfort coverage, Point Betsie lighthouse (owned by County) is funding repairs on apron around lighthouse, Wade Trim presentation was well received and Brian Sousa shared the feasibility study and process/timelines and costs.
2. Tim Cypher – Zoning Admin: 1 land use application, asked if council felt report was helpful; complaint received on 239 Leonard street/set-back and used recently developed complaint form/he reported back to complainant; W/S fees weren’t addressed by builder/Margaret sent a letter and they will pay, Planning Commission canceled due to no quorum/he’s reviewed items for Master Plan that should be addressed, he also supports changes with S/W , he will keep a working file in his desk drawer in the office info on what’s he working on & complaints.

#### Committee Reports:

Treasurer’s Report – Margaret Lumm: late deposits for Darcy Library is now zeroed out; payments for W & S coming in; CLWA has paid \$10,000 for Non-Point Source Grant.

Motion by Downs, seconded by Browning, to accept the Treasurer's report for February 2023 as presented. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.

Cross-connections survey will go out in April, STR registrations are coming with payment, newsletter will be sent with the village tax bill this summer and need it by June 1 to the County Treasurer; will be single sheet-double sided (Vicki needs to get it in mid-April).

1. Water/Sewer – Cross-connection update, video of sewer-lines being done for funding information and vendor bid which Jeri shared bids. Motion by Hook, seconded by Heniser, to award to Waste Recovery System bid (cap at \$35,000). Discussion regarding current status of system, Jeff will be involved. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.
2. Law/Finance – Chair Hook: if funding is approved for aforementioned Sewer project, that cost can be included in larger project fees...nothing on law & finance.
3. Building/Grounds – Chair Browning: Planning Commission Minutes; No March meeting/no quorum, next mtg is 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues in April, on-line training for P/C, working on getting another bid for settling pond dredging which will need a permit.
4. Parks/Rec – Chair Heniser – Crystal Resort Services Fence Quote in the amount of \$1,080.00, Affordable Fence TC in the amount of \$2,049.00 and Trademark Landscape of \$1,600.00. Motion by Heniser, seconded by Downs, with Crystal Resort Services in the amount of \$1,0080.00 as presented. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Abstain: Heniser (CRS is a relative). Motion carried.  
Peshek Dock – will not be continuing use of space.  
Handelman/Gaudino Dock Switch: Motion by Heniser, seconded by Hook to authorize the switch of Dock 9N to 18N. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried. Hook shared discussion about dock rules about who has to approve as current rules.  
Cottage Pros necessary hardware for T-dock arrived; cost of new bumpers for boat launch which Cottage Pros will install at no cost/discussion on inside & outside bumpers; buoys for park area need upgrades; Kerby's will be contacted re: seawall repair; another lot may be rentable; RV park manager position has been posted/corrections will be needed; Mark is now our BVTM appointee and has been sworn in; bids for beach sand need to be done and repair wheelchair access on the accessible ramp.
5. Streets/Sidewalks – Chair Loll: Jeri shared that county sent info about asphalt for repair earlier today. Snow removal expectation for downtown businesses worked well with the snow pickup. The few who didn't comply will be notified.
6. Equipment – Chair Downs: truck has been repaired; new truck is arriving in pieces/parts.
7. Maintenance Supervisor – Jeff Cypert: Kerby's Backhoe Quote: Motion by Hook, seconded by Heniser, to accept Kerby's bid for new hydrant at North St/Benzonia in the amount of \$1,850.00 and for Village pipe behind building needs 2<sup>nd</sup> flushing lines in the amount of \$5,600.00 as presented. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.  
EGLE visit about water went well, small repairs. Asset management ongoing. Brody taking last CDL class. Jeff shared that Manistee DPW equipment was vandalized. Lift station generator arrival later this summer, seeking other resources. Cold patching will start as weather settles.

Old Business:

New Business:

1. Waste Recovery Systems quote: Handled under Water/Sewer.
2. Card RV Park Refund for Lot 6: Motion by Heniser, seconded by Hook, that refund from lot 6 to apply to lot 7 as requested by lot renter. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.
3. Request for Broadband Expansion letter of support: Rhonda Nye provided letter on behalf of Beulah.
4. VanDePerre explained the changes as they applied to both amendments. The definition of residential units was explained. The changes for both water and sewer incorporate the same language to be consistent in both ordinances. It was explained that the Short-Term Rental Ordinance also includes the same language and definitions. This should help by removing conflicting words in each.  
Sewer Service Ordinance Amendment: Motion by Hook, seconded by Browning, to adopt the Amendment to the Village of Beulah Ordinance 2021-001 Sewer Service as presented, effective March 22, 2023. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.
5. Water Service Ordinance Amendment: Motion by Browning, seconded by Heniser, to approve the amendment to the Village of Beulah Ordinance 2017-01 Water Service as presented, effective March 22, 2023. Roll call. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.

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

Jim Kilgus 92 S. Center: why no snow stakes installed and seeking a response.

Letter from Sunrise Rotary on Bike event June 3, details on race, they will be coming in Beulah.

Lucy Auguston introduced herself, she is seeking manager position at RV park.

Public Comment Closed.

Motion by Downs, seconded by Browning, to adjourn. Ayes: Browning, Downs, Heniser, Hook and VanDePerre Nays: None Exc: Loll Motion carried.

Minutes by Vicki Carpenter