

Village of Sanford Regular Meeting

Jerome Township Hall, 737 Beamish Rd., Sanford

September 7, 2021, 7:00pm

The Regular Meeting of the Village Council was called to order at 7:00pm by Village Council President, Dolores Porte.

Pledge to the American Flag.

Roll Call – Clerk:

Present – Martina Ricards, Lon Wackerle, Carl Hamann, Marc Thrush, Dolores Porte

Public Comment: None

Special Guests: *Sandy Holka presented to the Village Council her research on current Senior Living options that may or may not be a viable interest pursuit. Examples of the Coleman Independent Sr. Living and Midland Independent and Assisted Living were discussed. No action was taken at this time by the Village Council. Considerations include but not limited to types of housing, location, acreage, sewers, septic tanks, fields, drainage.

*Stacey Gannon presented an update on the Mural being painted on the Bigelow Building.

Delta College Board Art Stacey Gannon – Mural Update

Arts/ humanities education. Fund development (experience in)

More murals – on different buildings. Needs a non-profit to be part of.

Village Arts. Some grants go only 501C3. Not Govt. Chamber for the development of the Village.

Chamber could possibly be the non-profit.

Building economy, education

Department/Representative Reports:

Sanford Historical Commission – Founders Day Celebration is this weekend.

Liquor Inspection – Robert McNett: Report Submitted – All inspections completed.

Electrical Inspector – Tom Chritz: Report Submitted – No new permits.

Plumbing & Mechanical – Greg Younk: No report

Water District #1 – Bonnie Whaley/Carl Hamann: Mr. Hamann explained the increase in customer rates.

Building Inspector – Brett Spangler: 2 new permits, \$139.

Ordinance Enforcement – Dolores Porte: *Scott Harris Builders on Railroad St. update, a September 27 court date has been set. Abandoned vehicles are to be removed, flood debris/berm is to be removed and general clean up, dispositions of buildings, etc.

*September 27 court date is set for 305 Lincoln St. (number of dogs)

*Bob Bates property on Saginaw Rd. by the Bait Shop, clean up is underway.

*No communication from the M-30 building owned by the Apostolic Church or the owners of a house on 427 Mitchell St. or Ken Helms property.

*Trailer Park: Carl Hamann & Jerry Cole are working together gathering information on drains and sewer system for the park.

*Ordinance Enforcement Job Position will be posted. Council will be looking at compensation options.

President's Report – Dolores Porte: *The 2017 Hazard Mitigation Grant will be closed out soon, waiting on papers.

- *No updates on the 2020 Hazard Mitigation Grant.
- *Update on Flood Debris Clean Up:
- *Post Office Storm Sewer Project is in Progress, working with involved parties to resolve any foreseeable issues prior to actual start date.
- *Wolverine Property Donation (Porte Park area) to the Village, verifying if there are any underground obstructions.

Treasurer's Report – Travis Raymond: August Financials submitted to Council.
Sanford Area Chamber of Commerce – Meeting is scheduled for September 14 at LL Acct. Office.
Founders Day Duck Race is Saturday at 3:00pm.

Clerk's Report – Aileen Acker

MOTION: Wackerle / Hamann to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from August 9, 2021.

Aye: All

Motion carried.

Review Bills to be submitted.

MOTION: Thrush / Ricards to approve the payment of Bills in the amount of \$27,180.90.

Aye: Ricards, Wackerle, Hamann, Thrush, Porte

Motion carried.

MOTION: Carl Hamann / Lon Wackerle to pass the Village of Sanford Credit Card Resolution No. 2021.05 with three cards issued to President Dolores Porte, Village Project Manager Jerry Cole, and Village Clerk Aileen Acker.

Aye: Lon Wackerle, Carl Hamann, Marcus Thrush, Martina Ricards and Dolores Porte.

Motion carried.

Fall Yard Waste: Schedule a dumpster for two weeks in October, 1 week in November. Mail out notices. (Clerk)

*Note on Property Taxes: At the July 12, 2021 Regular Meeting the Council approved to pay to Jerome Twp. \$434.87 in Property Taxes on properties that the Village had acquired/purchased. The actual amount due that was paid in August 2021 was \$154.90. The reason for the lesser amount was because some of the properties had been removed from the tax roll as the Village has a tax-exempt status.

Council Members Reports:

Marc Thrush – Midland Co. E.M. Advisory Board: John Clayton is currently over the Midland EMS. Paramedic programs, new ambulance shortages because of electronic/computer chips. "Lucas" a life sustaining/saving device was made available for Jerome Twp. through a donation. Thanks to Martina Ricards & Marc Thrush working with the donors to benefit the Sanford Area Community.

No other meetings or reports.

Village Manager & DPW Report – Jerry Cole

*Update on Peterson Dr. drainage – Homeowners have decided not to involve the Village and will take care of driveways on their own.

*Post Office Drain & Parking Lot – starts Monday (9-13-21). Communications with Property Owner and Drain Commission and Village Manager have been successful to come up with the plan to move forward.

*Working with District Court relative to Community Service - one participant at this time.

*Village Park Rebuild Update – Village will accept an alternate time schedule for start date.

*Storm Sewer Project – Checking on Infrastructure Grant availability for each storm system in the Village.

Founders Day Parade 12:00 - Council available to judge floats are Steve Rider, Dolores Porte, Carl Hamann, Jerry Cole and possible Lon Wackerle.

Motion: Marc Thrush / Lon Wackerle to adjourn Council Meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

Aileen Acker, Clerk

Date

Dolores Porte, President

Date