

Approved

February 28, 2022

REGULAR MEETING VILLAGE OF PIGEON COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Village of Pigeon Council was held on Monday, February 28, 2022 at the Municipal Building, 29 S. Main St., Pigeon MI 48755.

President Michael LePage called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Members Present: President Michael LePage, Trustees Shelly Gunden, Michael Wehner, Kent Shetler, Matthew Esch and Marc Hill.

Members Absent: Kent Tibbits

Also in attendance: Village Police Chief Eric Wissner, DPW Superintendent Thomas Buschlen, Village Superintendent/Clerk Steven Corrion and Ken Licht.

A motion was made by Shetler; second by Hill to approve the minutes of January 17, 2022 Regular Meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Input: none

Police Operations Report:

Chief Wissner reported highlights of the month's activities by the department.

DPW Operations Report:

DPW Superintendent Thomas Buschlen reported the month's activities.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Hill; second by Esch to approve allowing the Cooperative Elevator co. to build a building over the 36 inch Storm Sewer under the condition that the pipe be changed to concrete pipe from basin to basin. 5-Ayes. 1-Abstain (Wehner). Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Gunden; second by Wehner to close the regular session and hold a Public Hearing to review the 2022/23 Budget and Millage Rates. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 7:15pm

Public Hearing, 2021/22 Budget and Millage Rates:

Village Superintendent/Clerk Steven Corrion presented the 2022/23 Proposed Budget income and expenses for each of the village funds and reviewed the proposed Millage Rate to be levied of General Fund 11.9170, Historical 0.4856, Local Streets 4.8560, Water 1.4570 and Storm Sewer 4.5000. A total Millage Rate of 23.2156.

Following Review

A motion was made by Wehner; second by Esch to close the Public Hearing and return to regular session. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 7:25pm

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Shetler; second by Gunden to approve and levy a total Millage Rate of 23.2156 to support the budget. Breakdown of the millage rate is: General Fund 11.9170, Historical 0.48560, Local Streets 4.8560, Water 1.4570 and Storm Sewer 4.5000 and approve the Water Rate of \$16.24 per thousand gallon and the Sanitary Sewer Rate of \$8.63 per thousand gallon to support the approved budget effective April 1, 2022. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Wehner; second by Hill to approve the 2022/23 Budget as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Finance Report:

President LePage explained that to be in compliance with the State Auditing Rules, council needs to pass a motion at the beginning of every budget year pre-approving payments of payroll, payroll taxes and any other such bills that would be past due before they can be approved for payment by the council.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Hill; second by Wehner to pre-approve payment of payroll, payroll taxes and any other such bills that would be past due before they can be approved for payment by the council for the 2022/23 Fiscal Year. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Shetler; second by Gunden to approve transferring \$10,000.00 from the Municipal Street Fund to the Trunkline Fund. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable:

Corrion emailed the Accounts Payable Report of \$29,088.42 to council for January 18, 2022 to February 28, 2022.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Gunden; second by Hill to accept the Accounts Payable of \$29,088.42 to council for January 18, 2022 to February 28, 2022. All Ayes. Motion Carried. (See Accounts Payable Ledger)

Other Business:

President LePage explained that the HVAC Unit that handles the main office for the village and township quite last week. After investigation the unit is 25yrs old and not repairable. After a lot of searching a unit was found. The total cost of the unit installed is \$10,500.00. The village and township offices are currently using electric heating which is not reliable.

Following Discussion

A motion was made by Esch; second by Wehner to approve purchasing a roof mount HVAC Unit from Shetler Plumbing & Heating at a cost of \$10,500.00 installed. 5-Ayes. 1-Abstained (Shetler). Motion Carried.

President LePage explained that T-Mobile is interested in putting a Cellular Antenna on the Village Water Tower and would like to conduct a study with a possible proposal to be brought to council. Currently the village does not have any type of antenna on the Water Tower.

Following Discussion

Council is okay in having the study completed.

A motion was made by Gunden; second by Wehner to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.

Michael LePage, President

Steven Corrion, Clerk