

**Village of Pinckney
Regular Council Meeting
March 27, 2023**

President Lavey called the meeting to order in Village Council Chambers at 220 S. Howell, Pinckney, at 7:00 p.m. on March 27, 2023.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Buerman, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Also Present: J. Chapman (Clerk), D. Moma (DPW Director - REMOTELY) and J. White
(Village Engineer)

Absent: Bierman and Kinczkowski

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public Forum was opened at 7:00 p.m.

No one wished to speak.

Public Forum closed at 7:01 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

President Lavey wishes to add Item No. 6 "ACO Property" to the agenda.

Motion by Matson to accept the Consent Agenda with the addition of Agenda Item No. 6; seconded by Spencer.

Yeas: Buerman, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Bierman and Kinczkowski

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Lavey reported that the St. Patrick's Day Parade went well. She was working at the library book sale, giving books away to people dressed in green. The snow squall held off until after the parade went through.

The bucket truck purchase did not go through. When DPW went to pick up the truck, it was discovered that the transmission fluid was leaking and there was a significant amount of body rust. The search continues.

After this month's Township meeting, Val let Lavey know Fire Chief Ruf is asking for everyone's emails so he can blast community information and keep us better informed on things happening in our area.

Saturday is Cemetery Clean Up from 9 to noon. It will mostly involve picking up wreaths and branches.

Utility bills are going out this week with the increased water rates for depreciation and the sewer debt service fee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No committees met since the last Council meeting.

There should be a personnel committee meeting next week.

AGENDA:

1) BID RECOMMENDATION

Joe White, Village engineer, spoke to Council. The bid opened on Tuesday, March 21. The Village received one bid, which was unfortunate. There seems to be more work out there than contractors can handle. The bid came in fifteen percent above Joe's estimate. He says it could have been worse, as chain supply issues seem to be getting better but contractors are still struggling to hold onto employees. C&D Hughes is the same company we're using for the N. Howell and sidewalk project this year. Joe feels they're a highly qualified, capable and competent contractor. We've used them before on our Mann Street project and they've gotten good reviews from Fowlerville, with whom they just wrapped up a project about the same size as the project we're about to do. After talking to our accountant, Joe feels the project is doable and the money is in the budget, although he does have some cost-saving measures that would save around \$200,000 if the Village felt it was necessary.

Motion by Buerman to accept the bid Recommendation of Award from C&D Hughes, Inc. in the amount of \$2,649,531.25; seconded by Spencer

Yeas: Buerman, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Bierman and Kinczkowski

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

2) WOLVERINE INVOICES

Motion by Matson to pay the Wolverine invoices totaling \$11,089.58; seconded by Buerman.

Yeas: Buerman, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Bierman and Kinczkowski

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

3) THE MEANS PROJECT FUNDING OPTIONS

Chris Bonk spoke to Council about his part in the northwest quadrant infrastructure improvements project. The funds he was expected to pay have increased significantly, and he was under the impression the Village was going to offer him other options for funding. There was some disagreement as to what had been agreed to in the past. At this time, Chris says he cannot come up with the money. Discussion was had as to the different options available to both The Means and the Village as far as the scope of the project is concerned. The Village will do some research and plans to call a sewer and water committee meeting soon.

4) INVESTMENT POLICY

President Lavey explained that we want our investment policy to comply with all the State regulations on investing, and we want our risk to be less. This is like our old policy with additional investment authorization given to the Village Treasurer.

Motion by Buerman to accept the Investment Policy as presented; seconded by Spencer.

Yeas: Buerman, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Bierman and Kinczkowski

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

5) BANK RESOLUTION

The Investment Policy just adopted requires us to adopt this Resolution every year. We don't want our money to be uninsured by the FDIC. Michigan CLASS and CIBC were added to the list of financial institutions used by the Village.

Motion by Spencer to accept the Village of Pinckney Bank Resolution as presented; seconded by Matson.

Yeas: Buerman, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Bierman and Kinczkowski

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

6) ACO PROPERTY

Discussion was had as to the Purchase Agreement presented to Council. It was decided to hold off on voting until the Village attorney could give Trustees some feedback.

Motion by Buerman to table this discussion until questions can be answered by the Village attorney; seconded by Matson.

All in Favor: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

PUBLIC FORUM

Public forum was opened at 8:15 p.m.

No one wished to speak.

Public forum was closed at 8:15 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Approval Date

Jill Chapman
Village Clerk

Linda E. Lavey
Village President