Village of Pinckney Joint Meeting with Village Council and Planning Commission July 10, 2023

President Lavey called the meeting to order in Village Council Chambers at 220 S. Howell, Pinckney, at 7:00 p.m. on July 10, 2023.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Kinczkowski, Matson, Spencer and Lavey for

Village Council

Grischke, Hartman, Kinczkowski, D. Oliver and C. Oliver for Planning

Commission

Also Present: J. Chapman (Clerk), J. Garrison (Police Chief), D. Moma (DPW Director) and

D. Stoker (Village Attorney)

Absent: Brown and Wagner from Planning Commission

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public Forum opened at 7:01 p.m.

No one wished to speak.

Public Forum closed at 7:01 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

President Lavey added a No. 4 to the Agenda, "Water Line Installation Update."

Motion by Kinczkowski to approve the amended Consent Agenda; seconded by Buerman.

Yeas: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Kinczkowski, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Navs: None

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

No big news to report.

Two grant applications have been sent in. The MDNR grant has a third round available if this one is not successful.

Discussed with Stoker a claim on a heater supplied by Reliance. They offered the Village \$3,500 for supplemental heating and want an answer by Friday. Stoker agreed we'll take the \$3,500 but only for the heater.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee meetings since the last Council meeting.

AGENDA:

1) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION

Marcia Gebarowski and Nick Joblonski presented a quick slide show updating Council on what the Economic Development Council of Livingston County has been up to. Established in 1983, the EDCLC partnered with Ann Arbor SPARK in 2012. Their mission is to strengthen the economic base for Livingston County through the retention, expansion, attraction and development of jobs and capital investment. Examples of businesses that have benefitted from EDC's services were provided, and Council was given a chance to ask questions. Council was encouraged to alert the EDC if they knew of any businesses that were struggling in the Village.

Each Trustee/Planning Commissioner was then asked to give their view of the businesses in the Village and what changes they'd like to see in the future. Much discussion was had as to what changes would be best and how to go about making them happen.

2) SIGN ORDINANCE

Kinczkowski explained that the Planning Commissioners are on the same page regarding the sign ordinance. They wanted to bring to Council specifically the issue of temporary signs. There seems to be three choices: 1) Not allowed; 2) Allowed with limits and regulations; and 3) Allowed with no limits.

It was mentioned that tracking temporary signs would be a lot of work. Permitting, on the other hand, would make tracking easier to enforce. Stoker mentioned there is a lot of grey area when dealing with signs and we must be careful when categorizing different kinds. He said other communities are currently dealing with the same issue.

Each Trustee selected one of the three choices above, the majority choosing to allow temporary signs with no limits. Planning Commissioners will take this information with them and discuss it at their next meeting. Council can expect to see this item on an agenda in early August.

3) C&D HUGHES PAY ESTIMATE

Motion by Kinczkowski to approve payment of Pay Estimate No. 4 in the amount of \$133,768.07; seconded by Bierman.

Yeas: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Kinczkowski, Matson, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

4) WATER LINE INSTALLATION UPDATE

No word back from Bonk. President Lavey asked the engineers what the cost would be to bore under M-36. (\$45,000 - \$50,000) Whether Bonk is part of it or not, it's already part of the plan. The connection will go across the road but not to the building, as reflected in the current contract.

PUBLIC FORUM

Public forum was opened at 9:08 p.m. No one wished to speak. Public forum was closed at 9:08 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Approval Date

Jill Chapman
Village Clerk

Christine Oliver
Planning Commission Chair