

**VILLAGE OF PINCKNEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2024 – 7:00 pm**

President Lavey called the meeting to order in Village Council Chambers at 220 S. Howell, Pinckney, at 7:00 p.m. on February 26, 2024.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Spencer and Lavey

Also Present: J. Chapman (Clerk), A. Avigne (Office Staff) J. Durkin (Zoning Administrator)

Absent: Kinczkowski and Matson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public Forum opened at 7:01 p.m.

Marie Butler, who owns Hell Survivors and Terrified Forest came to address the council on issues with zoning and questions about permit parking and parking lots.

Rick Todd, who is the Pinckney Community Schools Superintendent attended the meeting to get clarification on the potential new sidewalk project close to the Pinckney High School. Rick informed the council that in 2018-2019 a group of students applied for a grant to install a new crosswalk and were awarded a \$10,000.00 grant to help fund their crosswalk project. Rick stated that Pinckney School District wants to be a good partner on the new sidewalk project and would like to be kept apprised on the project.

Public Forum closed at 7:16 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Conquest to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Buerman.

Yeas: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Kinczkowski and Matson

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Lavey indicated that the new park purchase is close to being completed.

Lavey also provided an update on the land trust grant through the DNR for the new sidewalk project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Minutes are in the packet.

AGENDA:

1. MML Liability & Property Pool Renewal

Michigan Municipal League (MML) provides insurance to the Village and has been renewed. The cost increased slightly as the Village recently acquired new assets that need to be added to the plan.

Motion by Buerman to approve the MML Liability & Property Pool Renewal; seconded by Bierman.

Yeas: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Kinczkowski and Matson

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

2. Approve Interim Clerk

The Council voted on Interim Clerk approval.

Motion by Conquest to approve April Avigne as Interim Clerk; seconded by Spencer.

Yeas: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Kinczkowski and Matson

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

3. ARPA Fund Allocation Resolution

Allocations for the use of ARPA funding are due this year. Some funds have already been allocated but there is still funding left that needs to be allocated. The group discussed options for spending the ARPA fund balance on sidewalks.

Motion by Buerman to approve the Resolution as amended to include ARPA funding on sidewalks; seconded by Bierman.

Yeas: Bierman, Buerman, Conquest, Spencer and Lavey

Nays: None

Absent: Kinczkowski and Matson

Motion carried in a roll call vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Public forum was opened at 7:35 p.m.

Jennifer Cook, who owns a commercial building at 140 Main Street, spoke to the council about the challenges associated with working with the Village on infrastructure projects. Jennifer would like to see more growth and support for local businesses.

Mike Szafranski, who owns 120 Livingston St. addressed the council about providing support for small businesses.

Julie Amy, who owns For Kid's Sake Early Learning Center informed the council that her business has the potential to grow due to the new subdivision. Julie believes her business will double and that she is looking into using existing buildings to expand her business.

Public Forum closed at 7:41 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 p.m.