

VILLAGE OF HOLLY

VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

May 10, 2016

The regular meeting of the Village of Holly Council Meeting was called to order by President Pro-Tem Musgrave at 7:00 P.M. in the Karl Richter Center Board of Education Room located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

Councilmembers Present

Bob Allsop
Dave Cruickshank
Robert Kleven
Debra Musgrave
Chris Rankin

Staff Present

Jerry L. Walker
Cathrene A. Behrens
Brian Klaassen
Steve McGee
Andrew Potter
Mike Story

Others Present

Excused Absent

Ryan Bladzick
Suzanne L. Heiple

President Pro-Tem Musgrave called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Clerk/Treasurer Behrens called the roll.

President Pro-Tem Musgrave stated that President Ryan Bladzick and Council Member Suzanne Heiple have requested to be excused from tonight's meeting.

CM 2016-046 Motion by Rankin, second by Cruickshank to excuse President Bladzick and Council Member Heiple from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by a voice vote of all ayes and no nays.

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Agenda Approval
2. Consideration of the Approval of the Council Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2016.
3. Consideration of the Budget study Workshop Minutes of April 23, 2016.
4. Consideration of the Approval of Warrant 2016-009 in the amount of \$85,789.15.
5. Consideration of the Approval of Resolution 2016-016 Setting the Council, Board and Commission

Meeting Dates for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

- 6. Consideration of the Approval of Resolution 2016-017, confirming the Village President’s Appointment of Lori Goldsmith to the Village of Holly Planning Commission.
- 7. Consideration of the Approval of Resolution 2016-018, confirming the Village President’s Appointment of Ryan Shiel to the Village of Holly Parks Commission.
- 8. Special Event Permit
 - a. Andy’s Place Outdoor Seating
- 9. Consideration of the Acceptance of the Draft Copy of the 2016-17 Fiscal Year Village of Holly Budget Document.

CM 2016-047 Motion by Cruickshank, second by Rankin to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried by a voice vote of all ayes and no nays.

PRESENTATIONS

Chief Steve McGee stated this is a good part of his job and this really is fun for him, second only to delivering babies. Drew Hueston, BreAnne Gugin and Ashley Kotalik just completed a long Fire Fighter I and II training class and hazardous materials operations. It is the training according to State standards that all fire fighters have to have. It is over 6 months and approximately 300 hours; goes everywhere from fire behavior to ropes and knots; any part of the fire service that we have to utilize, they have to know about how to do it and be proficient at it. They spend a whole day doing the practical and written test, these three individuals passed on their first try and

we are very proud of them. With that they each get a helmet that says fire fighter on it and they each get a badge.

Captain Dan Ladd and Chief Steve McGee presented the three graduates with their helmets and badges.

Chief Story congratulated the three fire fighters for meeting the challenge which was put in front of them. His other reason for being here is to introduce the newest part-time officer for the Village of Holly and that would be Police Officer Amy Wright. He stated that Officer Wright comes to the Village after serving eight years with the City of Detroit Police Department and she has chosen a different path and now she is with us. Officer Wright has a very large amount of training in her regime and has been within several specialized units with the City of Detroit. Officer Wright just recently moved up to Holly where two of her children attend the Holly School District.

Clerk/Treasurer Behrens performed the Oath of Office on Police Officer Amy L. Wright.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Lauve, 200 N. Saginaw stated that at the last meeting the bike lane was approved and asked about the signage. He has presented the council with a list of 26 signs that would be placed to facilitate this nightmare. It’s just going to junk up the street. You are going to have these distractions from the businesses and people along that street. The traffic is going to be calmed because now they are going to have to watch out for bikes, which lane, whose pulling here, who’s doing this, who’s doing that. He watches trucks going

through town with construction equipment and boats going through town and he is concerned about what’s ahead. Here are the bills for the signs, over \$3,000 that is not going to be facilitated by the striping of the road; this is money that is going to have to be spent out of the budget. There is no money for flowers, there is no money for landscaping, there is no money to beautify the area and that was the number one thing that people asked for. He read in the Oakland Press that woman gets jail time for cyclist death. On the other side a woman gets a \$300,000 settlement over a subway accident which was where she was riding a bicycle because the sidewalks weren’t in good shape, she sued the City. Those are things that haven’t been dealt with. He thinks the goal should be to make the City look better and this isn’t going to make it look better, it is going to look worse. The council needs to change this now instead of waiting to see it junked up.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

#1. Consideration of awarding the bid for the Concrete Slab at the DPW Storage Building.

DPW Director Brian Klaassen stated that once again this is part of a project that was approved during last year’s budget process for a heated storage facility at the DPW for equipment. They have the building shell up and the sides are on and we then received three bids. The low bid received was from a local contractor who we have used for sidewalks in the past.

Council Member Kleven asked how thick the slab was going to be.

Director Klaassen stated it would be 6”.

John Lauve, 200 N. Saginaw stated he thinks some of this money should be spent on improving the quality, appearance and beautification of the town and he thinks that should be a priority and put this off and use the ground or something. The priority should be to make this community look better and not make it look like a junk street.

CM 2016-048 Motion by Rankin, second by Allsop to approve the bid for the DPW Storage Building concrete slab to Browns Concrete for \$37,300.

Roll call vote was as follows:

**Voting for: Cruickshank, Kleven, Musgrave, Rankin, Allsop
Voting against: None
Absent: Bladzik, Heiple
Motion carried.**

REPORTS

Village Manager

Manager Walker stated that he spoke with Patrick Caulley, who is the Traffic Engineer from the Traffic Improvement Association, as we previously discussed in Council, while he is out here setting up for a traffic study before the road diet is implemented, he is going to do a secondary study on the right turn on red at N. Saginaw and E. Maple Street. He will be taking a look at that also.

Attorney

Excused Absent

Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk/Treasurer Behrens stated that Village Attorney is continuing to work on obtaining the legal authority to make entry to the property at 302 North Street. The Smith's, who are the legal owners of this property, have been served with the paperwork and are aware of the Villages intentions. Additionally, she has learned the Oakland County has started the process of repossessing the property through property tax sale due to non-payment of taxes.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Council Member Kleven stated the Holly Area Community Coalition is going to have its Champions of Youth dinner on Thursday evening at 7:00 pm. They are giving out awards to people who have given to our youth to keep them off drugs, alcohol and tobacco; they are also awarding a scholarship to a student.

Council Member Rankin stated the Parks clean-up is this Sunday. They are meeting at 9:00 am at Lakeside Park. They generally work until 3:00 pm although no one is obligated to stay for that length of time if you are not able. At their last meeting they discussed their park walk through and came up with lists that need to be addressed at Lakeside and Ganshaw and tried to work as many of those into the schedule on Sunday's clean-up day as we could.

Council Member Allsop stated that the car show begins tomorrow night.

Council Member Cruickshank stated that this Saturday they are doing their Historic District tour of the proposed new boundaries for the Historic District and their next meeting is next Thursday. The Blight Task Force has scheduled their first meeting on May 25, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Village offices.

President Pro-Tem Musgrave stated that HAYA met last Thursday and they are working on some fundraisers and at Maple and Saginaw on this Saturday they will be out there collecting donations. They had a Euchre party this last Saturday but she has not heard the outcome of that event at this time.

CM 2016-049 Motion by Rankin, second by Cruickshank to excuse the Village Attorney from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by a voice vote of all ayes and no nays.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Allsop stated that he talked to John Lauve a week ago about Coleman's corner like a dump and asked the Village Manager to explain the situation to John Lauve as it currently exists.

Manager Walker stated there is a cement apron that acts as a sidewalk along Maple Street from S. Saginaw which is more than sufficient for a walkway.

Council Member Kleven stated last year Shirley Campbell passed away and he thinks people would like to see some type of

memorial. He talked to Jerry Walker today and he has come up with a pretty good idea.

Manager Walker stated they talked about other options besides just adding a bench to a park. We talked about the possibility of a memorial placard and we have the large pavilion where a placard could be placed. There would be no expenditure of any tax dollars for this purchase, it would be funded through a fundraising effort which he would chair.

CM 2016-050 Motion by Kleven, second by Allsop to approve the placement of a placard in Shirley Campbell’s honor on Lakeside Pavilion at Lakeside Park.

Motion carried by a voice vote of all ayes and no nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Lauve, 200 N. Saginaw stated he owns two properties on Saginaw Street. In talking about the park cleanup on Sunday he would like to see Ganshaw Park cleaned up. At the north end of that park, there is a house on the corner of the park property that has debris and a dead canoe on the property and the whole thing is overgrown so he thinks that would be a good place to start.

Council Member Rankin stated it was one of the parks scheduled to be addressed.

Mr. Lauve stated on the Coleman’s Corner sidewalk issue there is a sidewalk strip that ends in the front of Coleman’s property which forces you to divert yourself to walk down the driveway apron. This isn’t somewhere of an insignificant location, this strip of sidewalk is missing on the Village easement. It should be

used as a sidewalk not forcing people to walk in the gutter and that is an inappropriate response to this lack of a sidewalk. That is unacceptable and you need to step up to this and do something. There should be some white lines, demarcations and should put some strips in there and it should have a floodlight on that crossing. Someone was arguing with him because he was crossing in the sidewalk section because they had stopped, blocking the sidewalk. It’s unacceptable.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, Village President Pro-Tem Musgrave adjourned the meeting at 19:33.

Ryan Bladzick, Village President

Cathrene A. Behrens, Clerk/Treasurer