

**VILLAGE OF COLUMBIAVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
HELD ON MARCH 7, 2016
4605 PINE ST. COLUMBIAVILLE MI 48421**

Village President Pro-Tem Barb Harris called the meeting to order at 6:30 in the evening, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Trustees: Todd Deweese, Kim Goldorf, Barb Harris, Joanne St. Pierre and Paul Milka. Village President Tom Wood arrived at 6:45 p.m.

COUNCIL ABSENT: All present.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk/Administrator Denise Baker; DPW Superintendent Greg Baker was absent.

GUESTS PRESENT THAT SIGNED IN: Lynnae Millard, Steve Millard, Charles Riley, Brock Millard, Kathy LaGasse, Justin Church, Aaron Baker, David R. Willis, Scott Dann, Joe Sheetz, Christian Hart and Jodi Strother.

MINUTES presented by Clerk Denise Baker:

R16-03-001 *Motion by T. Deweese seconded by P. Milka to accept the minutes from the February 10, 2016 regular Council meeting and the February 24, 2016 Budget Hearing as presented on paper. All in favor, motion adopted.

BILLS:

R16-03-002 *Motion by P. Milka seconded by T. Deweese to accept the payment of the bills from February 11, 2016 through March 3, 2016 as presented on paper. Roll Call Vote: Roll call unanimous, all in favor. Motion adopted.

TREASURERS REPORT by Tonia Plumb:

R16-02-003 *Motion by P. Milka seconded by B. Harris to accept the Treasurers Report with the February ending balances as presented on paper. All in favor, motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Village President Tom Wood presented Firefighter Justin Church with a Certificate of Appreciation for the rescuing of a dog in the village lagoon.

Lynnae Millard apologized to the Village Council about not investigating the DTE Smart Meters ahead of time.

David Willis stated his Aunt in Flint Township has experience health problems since the installation of the smart meter.

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Brock Millard presented documents to the Village Council regarding the DTE Smart Meters and the negative health effects that is caused from the radiation the meter submits. Also privacy issues, higher DTE bills and possible fire hazards.

Village Clerk Denise informed the residents and Council that she has begun researching and found the same testimonies on the Smart Meter Educator Website. She has also researched the DTE website. Uncertain why the legislatures and DTE would allow such meters to be installed on residents homes with all safety issues that supposedly can be created by these meters.

Brock will look up resolutions from Marysville and Romeo that urge our legislatures to pass bills allowing residents throughout the state to opt-out of DTE installing these smart meters on their homes.

Joe Sheets on Central Street stated he had a water leak one year ago and the ground had not been repaired in front of his home, village right-of-way. Greg will handle.

Scott Dann on Central Street mentioned the drain in his neighbor's back yard that floods his yard. Greg told him what the State Law was and basically as long the tubing is allowing water to discharge on the residents own personal property there is nothing he can do about it.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Denise Baker: Denise provided the council with the 2015/2016 Budget Amendments and informed them that the water bills would be \$77.50 not \$77.87 as approved at the February meeting. She also received more floor bids but could not justify spending \$6000.00 plus dollars on the office flooring. The PILT money had been distributed and the mail carrier issue is still going on.

Permission to Camera the Village Drain:

R16-03-004 *Motion by T. Wood seconded by T. Dewese to allow the Southern Links Trail way board to hire someone to camera the village drain at the trail head. All in favor, motion adopted.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: by Greg Baker, Dpw Superintendent

General Information: Information regarding the Cemetery, Streets, Water, Sewer, Parks, Buildings and Equipment were presented to the Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Authority: No report.

Rails to Trails: Tom informed council of a lawsuit regarding a tree on the trail.

DDA: No meeting prior to Council Meeting.

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Planning Commission: No meeting.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Ray Davis' request to allow rental units in Marathon Meadows and the Holloway Reservoir Permit.

NEW BUSINESS:

Southern Links Financial Reports including Budget:

R16-03-005 *Motion by T. Wood seconded by P. Milka to accept the Southern Links Financial Reports and Budget into record and to recommend that the DDA pay the annual contribution of \$4000.00 to the trailway. Roll call vote; roll call unanimous. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: *Motion by T. Wood seconded by T. Dewese to adjourn. The regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectively,

Denise C. Baker, CMC
Columbiaville Village Clerk/Administrator