# **Approved**

# September 18, 2023 REGULAR MEETING VILLAGE OF PIGEON COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Village of Pigeon Council was held on Monday, September 18, 2023 at the Municipal Building, 29 S. Main St., Pigeon MI 48755.

President Michael LePage called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Members Present: President Michael LePage, Trustees Shelly Gunden, Michael Wehner, Kent Tibbits, Kent Shetler, Matt Zimmerman and Marc Hill.

Members Absent: none

Also in attendance: Police Chief Adam Csanyi, DPW Superintendent Thomas Buschlen, Village Superintendent/Clerk Steven Corrion, Ken Licht & Todd Talaski.

A motion was made by Gunden; second by Zimmerman to approve the minutes of August 21, 2023 Regular Meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

## **Public Input:**

Todd Talaski Huron County District 3 Commissioner highlighted activities of the county

## **Police Operations Report:**

Chief Csanyi reported highlights of the month's activities by the department, presented the new Village of Pigeon Police Department Patch and reviewed the proposed 2023 Halloween Trick-or-Treat Hours.

#### Following Discussion

A motion was made by Hill; second by Wehner to approve the 2023 Village Trick-or-Treat hours for Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Also set a Curfew of 9:00pm for anyone 17 and under Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday, November 1, 2022 All Ayes. Motion Carried.

## **DPW Operations Report:**

DPW Superintendent Thomas Buschlen reported the month's activities.

## Following Discussion

A motion was made by Wehner; second by Zimmerman to approve Superior Tree Service to remove the Pine Trees and grind the stumps located along the south property line of Veteran's Park at a cost not to exceed \$3,800.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Zimmerman; second by Hill to approve Yaroch Asphalt to do asphalt patch work in multiple locations in the village for a cost of \$10,580.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

## **Finance Report:**

Corrion reviewed the Water Deficit Reduction Plan.

#### Following Discussion

A motion was made by Shetler; second by Tibbits to approve the Water Fund Deficit Reduction Plan as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Corrion explained that the City of Caseville is increasing the Water Rate from \$6.00 to \$9.00 (7.20 to \$10.80) per thousand for the Village of Pigeon effective with the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter billing.

# Following Discussion

A motion was made by Hill; second by Gunden to increase the Water Rate to \$20.70 per thousand gallon effective with the October 2023 billing to cover the cost of the increase from the City of Caseville. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Council reviewed a letter from Emterra Environmental USA asking the village increase the Trash Pickup by \$0.69 per household for the remainder of the contract. The letter sighted rising cost as the reason for the increase.

#### Following Discussion

Council does not understand why the cost issues were not taken under consideration when we signed our new 5 year contract in July 2023, which saw an increase. They understand the cost of doing business has increased but we have been doing our part by paying fuel surcharges. At this time the council does not agree to split any cost increase.

#### **Accounts Payable:**

Corrion emailed the Accounts Payable Report of \$53,217.24 to council for August 22, 2023 to September 18, 2023.

## Following Discussion

A motion was made by Wehner; second by Gunden to accept the Accounts Payable of \$53,217.24 to council for August 22, 2023 to September 18, 2023. All Ayes. Motion Carried. (See Accounts Payable Ledger)

#### Other Business:

President LePage updated council that the counter tops have been installed at the Lion's Pavilion, the walk in cooler at the Pigeon Event Center has been repaired and is up and running, Pyramid Paving has started working on the Municipal Parking Lot and Nicol & Sons will be starting on the parking lot extension at the Pigeon Event Center tomorrow.

	A motio	on was mad	e by Gunden;	second by	Wehner to	adjourn tl	he meeting.	All Ayes.	Motion
Carriec	l. Meeti	ng adjourne	ed at 7:29pm.						

Michael LePage, President	Steven Corrion, Clerk