



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026 AT 6:00 PM  
415 WEST WILEY RD, SUITE 103, DOUGLAS, MI  
49406**

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**MINUTES**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER:** By Mayor Pro-Tem Walker

**2. ROLL CALL:** By Clerk Kasper

PRESENT

Councilmember Neal Seabert

Councilmember John O'Malley

Mayor Pro-Tem Randy Walker

Councilmember Gregory Freeman

Councilmember Matt Balmer

Councilmember Jeff West

Also Present City Manager Lisa Nocerini

City Clerk Laura Kasper

ABSENT - Mayor Cathy North

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker

**4. MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Howard Schultz

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. Approve the Council Meeting Agenda for March 16, 2026 – *amended; addition of item 9. I. DES PTO Color Run*

B. Approve the Council Meeting Minutes for March 2, 2026

C. Approve Invoices in the Amount of \$151,837.27

D. Reappointment - Maria Droz: BOR

E. Special Events - Memorial Day Parade, ODC Krazy for the Kazoo, ~~DES PTO Color Run~~

*Motion by Seabert, second by O'Malley, to approve the Consent Calendar of March 16, 2026, as amended. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

**6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL:** Public comments were received.

**7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - WRITTEN**

A. Debbie Larsen - Letter

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Art Coast Food & Wine Festival - Presentation

B. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority (KLHA) Economic Benefit Study (L. Nocerini)

C. Road System Status and Funding Presentation (L. Nocerini)

D. Special Event Detour Sign Purchase (L. Nocerini)

*Motion by West, second by Seabert, to approve the purchase of the recommended detour signs and fund the detour signs from the general fund. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

E. Resolution 05-2026 - Interurban Transit Authority Articles Amendment

*Motion by Freeman, second by O'Malley, to adopt Resolution 05-2026, approving the amended and restated Articles of Incorporation of the Interurban Transit Authority to add the City of Fennville as a member of the Authority. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

F. 2026 Storm Drainage Improvements and Union Street Boat Launch Erosion Control (L. Nocerini)

*Motion by Balmer, second by Seabert, to award Site Works Solution, Inc. the 25/26 Storm Drainage Improvements and the Union Street Boat Launch Erosion Control Project for \$293,351.30. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

G. Ordinance No. 01-2026 - Amending Chapter 4 - Animals, Article 2 - Chickens - Second Reading (S. Homyen)

*Motion by Balmer, second by O'Malley, to adopt Ordinance No. 01-2026, to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of the Village of Douglas by amending Chapter 4 - Animals, Article 2- Chickens, Section 4-39, regarding Chicken Permits. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

H. Resolution 06-2026 - 938 Center St. Lot Split (S. Homyen)

*Motion by Freeman, second by Balmer, to adopt Resolution 06-2026, approving the lot split for parcel #03-59-017-061-00, located at 938 Center St. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

I. DES PTO Color Run Event (moved from consent for discussion of event v. park reservation)

*Motion by West, second by Balmer, to approve the DES PTO Color Run Event. Motion failed by unanimous roll call vote.*

**10. REPORTS**

A. Commission/Committee/Boards

1. Planning Commission
2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water
3. Downtown Development Authority
4. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority
5. Douglas Harbor Authority
6. Douglas Brownfield Authority
7. Fire Board
8. Community Recreation
9. Tri-Community Wildlife Committee

B. Administration Report– City Manager Nocerini provided updates.

**11. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL:** Public comments were received.

**12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:** Councilmembers provided final comments.

**13. MAYOR'S REPORT/COMMENTS:** Mayor Pro-Tem Walker provided final comments.

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion by Seabert, second by Freeman, to adjourn the meeting.*

Approved on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Randy Walker, Mayor Pro-Tem

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Kasper, City Clerk

#### **Certification of Minutes**

I hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of the Village of Douglas held on March 16, 2026, I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Kasper, City Clerk