



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MAY 05, 2025 AT 6:00 PM
86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** By Mayor North
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Clerk Kasper
PRESENT
Mayor Cathy North
Councilmember Jerome Donovan
Councilmember Neal Seabert
Mayor Pro-Tem Randy Walker
Councilmember Gregory Freeman
Also Present City Manager Lisa Nocerini
City Clerk Laura Kasper
ABSENT
Councilmember John O'Malley
Councilmember Matt Balmer
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor North
4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
 - A. Approve the Council Meeting Agenda for May 5, 2025
 - B. Approve the Council Regular Meeting Minutes for April 21, 2025
 - C. Approve Invoices in the amount of ~~\$232,004.18~~ (removal of Carbon Six invoice) \$31,194.38
 - D. Appointments - Sue Guevara: DHA
 - E. Special Events - Lakeshore Fall Pickleball Tournament, Memorial Day Parade, Garden Club Walk & Plant Sale

Motion by Seabert, second by Freeman, to approve the Consent Calendar of May 5, 2025, as amended. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
5. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL:** Members of the public were present, comments received.
6. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - WRITTEN**
 - A. CVB Thank You Letter
7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None
8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Emergency Ordinance No. 06-2025 - Temporary Restriction on Vessel Size at Union Street Boat Launch (L. Nocerini)

Motion by Walker, second by Seabert, to open the public hearing for emergency ordinance no. 06-2025. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1. Administration Comments – Nocerini; The Union Street Boat Launch has sustained recent damage due to repeated use by vessels that exceed the infrastructure’s intended capacity. This has created hazardous conditions for the public, compromised the integrity of the launch, and hindered necessary remediation efforts. The launch was not designed to accommodate vessels longer than thirty-four (34) feet. This will be enforced by extra patrols, cameras, and signage.
2. Public Comments - None
3. Council Comments - None

Motion by Freeman, second by Seabert, to close the public hearing for emergency ordinance no. 06-2025. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Walker, second by Freeman, to adopt emergency ordinance no. 06-2025, a temporary restriction on vessel size at the Union Street Boat Launch with an effective date of May 6, 2025. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- B. City Treasurer Appointment (L. Nocerini)

Motion by Freeman, second by Seabert, to approve the appointment of Dawn Raza to the position of City Treasurer effective May 7th, 2025. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- C. Food Trucks - Discussion Item Only

9. REPORTS

- A. Commission/Committee/Boards

1. Planning Commission – meeting on 5/8
2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water – no meeting
3. Downtown Development Authority – Derby Day event was successful
4. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority – no meeting
5. Douglas Harbor Authority – no meeting
6. Douglas Brownfield Authority – no meeting
7. Fire Board – budget public hearing will take place on 5/19
8. Community Recreation – no meeting
9. Playground Committee – no meeting
10. Tri-Community Wildlife Committee – meets on 5/7

- B. Administration Report - City Manager Nocerini provided updates on several matters.

10. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL: None

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmembers made final comments.

12. MAYOR’S REPORT/COMMENTS: Mayor North stated final comments.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved on this 19th day of May 2025

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Cathy North, Mayor

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 May 5, 2025, I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Laura Kasper, City Clerk