



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2022, AT 7:00 PM
86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI**

MINUTES

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** - By Mayor Donovan at 7:00 pm
2. **ROLL CALL** – Present – Naumann, North, O’Malley, Seabert, Walker, Donovan
Absent – Toepper
Also Present – City Manager LaBombard, City Clerk Aalderink, Deputy Clerk Kasper
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Led by Mayor
4. **Election of Officers**
Vote Mayor – Jerome Donovan voted by unanimous vote.
Vote Mayor Pro-Tem – Cathy North voted by unanimous vote.
5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
 - A. November 21, 2022, Agenda
 - B. November 7, 2022, Meeting Minutes
 - C. Approve Invoices in the amount of \$151,703.12
 - D. 2023 Council Meeting Schedule
 - E. *Open Douglas Harbor Authority seat
*Open Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority seat
*Open Fire Board Representative seat – Appoint Cathy North

Motion to approve the November 21, 2022, Consent Agenda as amended adding agenda item Sect. 8 (a) to Closed Session. - roll call vote

Motion by Naumann, Second by Seabert
Voting Yea: North, O’Malley, Walker, Donovan
Motion carried by roll call vote.

6. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES)**
Dan Urquhart, 119 Chestnut Lane, KLSWA Representative – Spoke about the purchase of a back truck, will probably be ordered in the next 60 days, expected to receive in 2024. Also, a sampling of sludge ponds will be taken.

7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - WRITTEN - No written communication

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – No unfinished business.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 38-2022 Michigan Spark Grant Application

Motion to approve Resolution 38-2022 Approving the submission of the Michigan Spark Grant Application for the Michigan Department Natural Resources. - roll call vote

Motion by Naumann, Support by Seabert
Voting Yea: North, O'Malley, Walker, Donovan
Motion carried by roll call vote

B. 749 Golfview Dr. Well Request

Motion to approve the well to be constructed on the parcel located at 749 Golfview Drive, subject to the approval of the ACHD, and based on the finding that the well is only for irrigation purposes and to fill the man-made pond on the property. - roll call vote

The City Manager gave a synopsis of the procedural process and EGLE to approve. Owner Mr. Smith addressed council questions regarding interference with anything else, and the shallow well will only be used to fill the man-made pond and will not be used for watering.

Motion by Seabert, Support by North
Voting Yea: Naumann, O'Malley, Walker, Donovan
Motion carried by roll call vote

10. REPORTS

A. Commission/Committee/Boards

1. Planning Commission – No meeting for this month, will have items on next agenda
2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water
3. Downtown Development Authority – Meeting on November 23. 2022
4. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority – Meeting canceled
5. Douglas Harbor Authority – Meeting Canceled
6. Douglas Brownfield Authority – No report
7. Fire Board – No report
8. Community Recreation – Seabert reports inquiries about adult programs. Mentioned Hiking club meets Monday mornings, Adult Fitness and Yoga class meet for free at Blue Star Gym, Pickleball classes meet indoors at school, and Adult Basketball group meets on Sunday nights till March. All paid through mileages. Information can be found on their Facebook page.
9. Recycle Committee – North stated the group is over.
10. Tri-Community Bike Trail Group – Donovan Stated the group is done.
11. Playground Committee – Fundraising, Spark Grant

B. Staff Reports

Councilmember North appreciates the detailed written reports.

11. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES)

Mr. Smith – Member of Saugatuck Wild Hearts questioned if Douglas will have a letter of support for the group. Donovan questioned if he was aware that the Army Corps of Engineers ruled against the marina project.

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Seabert- Congratulations to new members and Mayor/Pro Tem, thanks for voting him back on city council, mentioned upcoming tree lighting event.

Naumann- Congratulations to new members and Mayor/Pro-Tem

Walker – Thanks for having me

North – Great job DPW with recent snow cleanup

O'Malley – Thanks for having me, spent weekend going over all the information

13. MAYOR'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Wonderful job on the election, and Happy Thanksgiving.

14. Closed Session

Motion to enter into closed session per Section 8 (1)(h) to discuss with the City Attorney material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state and federal statute. - roll call vote

Motion by Seabert, Support by North

Voting Yea: Naumann, O'Malley, Walker, Donovan

Motion carried by roll call vote

Motion to leave closed session and enter back into the regular session of the City Council meeting. - roll call vote

Motion to engage Taft for cost recovery regarding 200 Bluestar. – roll call vote

Motion by Seabert, support by North

Voting Yea: Naumann, O'Malley, Walker, Donovan

Motion carried by roll call vote

Motion to accept recommendation of the City Manager to separate employment with Mr. Matt Vogel. -roll call vote

Motion by Seabert, support by Naumann

Voting Yea: North, O'Malley, Walker Donovan

Motion carried by roll call vote

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Seabert, second by Naumann, Mayor adjourned the meeting by gavel.

Submitted by Laura Kasper

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