



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL

Monday, December 09, 2024

7:30 PM

Village Hall – 21 East Church Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362

(248) 693-8391 ext. 102

1. Call to Order

The December 9th, 2024 Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Rutt.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

PRESENT

President Teresa Rutt

President Pro Tem Stan Ford

Council member Carl Cyrowski

Council member Nancy Moshier

Council member Michael Lamb

Council member George Dandalides

Council member Alex Comparoni Jr

STAFF PRESENT

Village Manager Darwin McClary

Clerk/Treasurer Sonja Stout

DPW Director Wes Sanchez

4. Presentations

None.

5. Call to the Public

Donald Kindred welcomed the new Council members and thanked the new Police Chief.

Mary Bires spoke about her concerns with the Village's snow removal policy on Longpointe Street.

Bill Martin spoke about the Village's snow removal policy on Longpointe Street in the past and present.

Mike Bires spoke about his concerns with the Village's snow removal policy on Longpointe Street.

Rachel Redmond spoke about her concerns with the snow removal policy on Longpointe Street.

Matt Gibb spoke about the challenges that are faced between the Downtown Development Authority Board (DDA) and the Village.

6. Approval of Agenda

MOTION made by Council member Lamb, Seconded by Council member Dandalides to approve the agenda for Monday, December 9th, 2024, Village Council Regular Meeting agenda with the addition of items : 11.B Special Event Application-New Year's Resolution Run and 11. C Snow Plowing-Longpointe.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Carried

7. Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda are approved by one vote.

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr to approve the Consent Agenda and to pull item B. Correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides requesting a return to detailed meeting minutes for further discussion.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to amend the previous motion to be approval of the Consent Agenda and to pull item B. Correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides requesting a return to detailed meeting minutes and item E. Correspondence from Council Member Lamb regarding DDA funding for public improvements for further discussion.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Carried

A. Correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides requesting return to five-day office hours for Village Hall

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to receive and file the correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides dated November 19, 2024, requesting to resume the five-day schedule of the Village offices.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

B. Correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides requesting a return to detailed meeting minutes

Pulled for further discussion.

C. Correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides requesting consideration for a change in Village Council meeting start time

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to receive and file the correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides dated November 19, 2024, requesting consideration from Village Council for a change in Village Council meeting start time.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

D. Correspondence from Steven M. Samet regarding letter received from Council Member Lamb

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to receive and file the undated correspondence from Steven M. Samet, 245 E. Shadbolt, Lake Orion, Michigan, regarding concerns about a letter he received from Council Member Michael Lamb.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

E. Correspondence from Council Member Michael Lamb regarding DDA funding for public improvements

Pulled for further discussion.

F. Approval of Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2024

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to approve the November 25, 2024, Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

G. Receive and File of Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of November 4, 2024

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to receive and file the November 4, 2024, Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

H. Receive and File of the Parks & Recreation Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2024

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to receive and file the August 20, 2024, Parks & Recreation Committee Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

I. Receive and File of November 2024 Police Department Activity Report

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by Council member Lamb to receive and file the November 2024 Police Department Activity Report.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

B. Correspondence from Council Member George Dandalides requesting a return to detailed meeting minutes

MOTION made by Council member Dandalides, Seconded by Council member Comparoni Jr to request Administration to resume providing meeting minutes that capture the gist of discussion comments for each agenda topic, the gist of public comments, and the gist of council man comments for each meeting.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

E. Correspondence from Council Member Michael Lamb regarding DDA funding for public improvements

MOTION made by Council member Lamb, Seconded by Council member Moshier to direct the Village Manager review Council Member Lamb’s proposed TIF amendment to calculate the estimated final impact to the Village over the next five years.

VOTING YEA: Lamb, Moshier
VOTING NAY: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Failed

MOTION made by President Rutt, Seconded by President Pro Tem Ford to receive and file the Correspondence from Council Member Michael Lamb regarding DDA funding for public improvements .

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

9. Public Hearings

None.

10. Financial Matters

A. Invoice Approval - December 9, 2024

MOTION made by Council member Dandalides, Seconded by President Rutt having been presented with the December 9, 2024 bills, been given the opportunity to question any of the specific bills, and with the understanding that Administration has reviewed the detail and verified each expenditure to be a valid Village expense and within the current fiscal year budget, I move to request Administration to process for payment bills in the amount of \$173,030.01 of which \$33,459.89 are DDA bills for a net total of \$139,570.12 and to receive and file the December 9, 2024 DDA bills.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: Moshier, Lamb
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

B. Financial Reports - November 2024

MOTION made by President Rutt, Seconded by President Pro Tem Ford to receive and file the Financial Reports for November 2024.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

11. Other Items

A. Adopt Resolution 2025 Village Council Meeting Schedule

MOTION made by Council member Lamb, Seconded by Council member Moshier to adopt resolution #24-038 establishing the 2025 meeting schedule of the Village Council for the Village of Lake Orion and to authorize the Clerk to post the schedule pursuant to the Open Meetings Act with the meeting time starting at 6:30 PM and with the change of May 26, 2025 being changed to May 27, 2025 due to the Memorial Holiday schedule.

VOTING YEA: Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides
VOTING NAY: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Comparoni Jr
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Failed

MOTION made by President Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by President Rutt to adopt resolution #24-038 establishing the 2025 meeting schedule of the Village Council for the Village of Lake Orion and to authorize the Clerk to post the schedule pursuant to the Open Meetings Act with the change of May 26, 2025 being changed to May 27, 2025 due to the Memorial Holiday schedule.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

B. Special Event Application- New Year's Eve Resolution Run

MOTION made by President Rutt, Seconded by Council Member Cyrowski to approve the Special Event New Year's Resolution Run.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

C. Snow Plowing- Longpointe

MOTION made by Council member Lamb, Seconded by Council member Dandalides to form a committee to review the snow plowing police before snow season begins.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by Council member Lamb, Seconded by Council member Dandalides to amend the current motion to form a committee that includes Council Member Lamb, Council Member Comparoni Jr, and Council Member Dandalides to review the snow plowing policy for a period not to exceed 90 days that will include meetings with Village Manager, Administration, and residents.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Carried

12. Call to the Public

Donald Kindred spoke about the importance of good infrastructure within the Village.

Rosemary Ford spoke about the Christmas parade.

Jeff Signer spoke about community involvement.

13. Council Comments

Pro Tem Ford spoke about the lighted Christmas parade, the Lumberyard project, and opportunities for the public to share thoughts on the DDA Downtown Dollar and Paint Creek Trail.

Council Member Comparoni Jr. thanked Council Member Lamb and President Rutt for their input on the DDA discussion and thanked the DPW for their work.

Council Member Lamb provided a brief synopsis of his personal and professional background, spoke about citizen requests, the Christmas parade, the DDA public comment, and coordination with the Police.

Council Member Dandalides stated his view on the Village and DDA and also his goals for being on the Council.

Council Member Moshier shared her disappointment in Council for the lack of changes being made over the current year.

Council Member Cyrowski stated he wanted more information on Cityhood that includes pros and cons.

President Rutt stated she would forward her PowerPoint on Cityhood to the Village Manager to be shared with Council. She also mentioned leaf pickup, opposition is healthy, and spoke about the Christmas parade and community service.

14. Village Manager Comments

Village Manager McClary stated that the Village is financially stable. He also touched on: Council Orientation work sessions, Board of Ethics questions, Holiday closures, upcoming January work sessions and Important dates.

15. Closed Session Items

16. Business From Closed Session

17. Adjournment

MOTION made by Council member Cyrowski, Seconded by President Rutt to adjourn the December 9, 2024 Village Council Regular Meeting.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Cyrowski, Moshier, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Carried

The December 9, 2024 Village Council Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:59 PM.

Teresa Rutt
President

Sonja Stout
Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: as presented on January 13th, 2025.