

Village of Cement City Council Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Village Hall

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Cement City Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance: 4 Citizens present. Members present: Jeff Cratsenburg, Carrie Shafer, and John Weber were present. Clerk Carol Ladd and Treasurer Chari Cure were present. Senkewitz was absent.

Oath of Office- Zach Karnaz took the Oath of Office.

Departments

Police: Interim Chief Niles reported. Chief Niles reported on an arrest that took place on Peninsular Street due to a felony arrest warrant out of Hillsdale County. The Michigan State Police and EMS were called to assist.

Guest Speaker-none.

Minutes Reviewed- Regular Meeting minutes of the 1-14-21 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Cratsenburg, second by Weber to accept the Regular minutes. Ayes all, motion passed.

Receipt of Treasurer's Report-Report reviewed by all. Motion made by Weber, second by Cratsenburg to accept the January Report subject to audit. Ayes by all, motion passed.

Presentation of Existing Bills- Motion made by Cratsenburg, second by Weber to pay existing bills. All ayes, motion passed.

Staff Progress Reports-

DPW: Wheaton submitted a report. Wheaton working on snow removal/salt and repair of vandalized Christmas decor.

Zoning: Terry Earley is working with Interim Chief Niles to move forward with ticketing of blight areas in the village.

Planning: Polyblank informed Council of a citizen's interest in serving on the commission. Gerard Bouchard will be added to a list of prospects to be presented at the March meeting for an April appointment to the Planning Commission.

Old Business – Council entertained nominations for election of officers among councilmen. Motion made by Weber, second by Cratsenburg to nominate Zack Karnaz for the position of President. Karnaz accepted the nomination. Karnaz asked if there were any other nominations. Motion by Weber, Cratsenburg declined the nomination. No other nominations. Roll call vote: Cratsenburg, yes; Weber, yes; Hart, yes; Shafer, yes. All ayes, motion passed.

Motion made by Weber, second by Karnaz to nominate Shaffer for Vice President. Shafer accepts the nomination. Roll Call Vote: Cratsenburg, yes; Weber, yes; Hart, yes; Shafer, yes. All ayes, motion passed.

On the issue of 4 year vs. 2 year term for a tied vote in the general election combining Jackson and Lenawee County votes, Weber flipped a coin for the 4-year term assigning heads to Karnaz and tails to Shafer. Coin flipped to heads. Karnaz will serve a 4-year term (Nov. 2024) and Shafer will serve a 2-year term (Nov. 2022).

New Business –None.

Public Participation- None.

Good & Welfare Motion made by Weber, second by Cratsenburg to adjourn at 7:25. Ayes all, motion passed.

Submitted by Carol Ladd, Clerk

Approved by Zach Karnaz, President