



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023, AT 7:00 PM
86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI**

MINUTES

1. **Call to order** by Mayor at 7:00 pm
2. **Roll call:** Present – O'Malley, Naumann, Freeman, Seabert, Walker, Donovan
Absent – North
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Mayor Donovan
4. **Consent Calendar**
 - A. Approval of the March 6, 2023, Agenda
 - B. Approval of the February 21, 2023 Meeting Minutes
 - C. Approval of Water Street Workshop Minutes
 - D. Approval of Invoices in the amount of \$122,499.37

Motion by Seabert, with support from Naumann, to approve the Consent Calendar of March 6, 2023. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those members present.

5. **Public Communication** – Non
6. **Written Communication**
 - A. Letter received from John Thomas
7. **Unfinished Business** – None
8. **New Business**
 - A. Community Pride Event
Seabert reported they are requesting two different options for vendors, one that vendors would be in the field or two, vendors would line up on Center St. They are currently working to locate vendors with food trucks.

Motion by Walker, with support from Freeman, to approve the Community Pride Event Application for Saturday, June 3, 2023, and Sunday, June 4, 2023, contingent upon the applicant scheduling two (2) meetings with the Chief of Police and Director of Public Works to discuss progress, concerns and return to City Council to discuss closing the roads for vendors. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of those members present.

- B. 12th Annual Lakeshore Harvest Bike Ride
Motion by Walker, with support from Freeman, to approve the Special Event Application for the 12th Annual Lakeshore Harvest Bike Ride contingent upon the Douglas Police being notified of any changes to the event route. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

C. Erin Go Bark People & Pet Parade

Motion by Seabert, with support from Freeman, to approve the Special Event Application request for The Erin Go Bark People & Pet Parade event on Saturday, March 18, 2023. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present.

D. 2022-23 Mill & Overlay Road Projects

Two bids were received, council questioned if MDOT would be doing the bridge.

Motion by Seabert, with support from O'Malley to award Michigan Paving and Materials Company of Comstock Park the 22-23 mill and overlay road projects for \$137,383 and amend the budget by \$7,383. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

E. Water Street Workshop Results –

City Manager LaBombard explained to those who did not attend the workshop, that paper had been hung on the wall for residents to write down their concerns, these would then be given to the city engineer. O'Mally would like to have a no large trucks allowed on the street. Seabert approves of a weight limit on the road. City Manager LaBombard stated there were some in house things that could be accomplished first, first add pavement markings, reduce trucks by establishing a truck route, better signage, and maybe paint "SLOW" on the street.

F. Baker Tilly US, LLP Drinking Water Asset Management Grant

Motion by Naumann, with support from O'Malley, to approve the engagement letter provided by Baker Tilly US, LLP of East Lansing, Michigan for \$10,500 plus all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the water rate study defined in the Drinking Water Asset Management grant. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present.

9. Reports

A. Planning – Next meeting on March 9th, 485 Ferry St. request traffic review, will look at the sign ordinance and bylaws, talking about updating them.

DDA – Working on updating the TIFF Plan and discussing the gateway sign

B. City Manager Report – Army Corp of Engineers have received \$895,000 to dredge the channel , City of Saugatuck would like to join back into the Recreation Plan, at the last meeting council charged the manager to work with Dave Barker on the 11' easement, the information is currently at the City Attorney's office.

10. Public Communications

Paul Buszka requested Seabert add looking at the Planning bylaws to his report.

11. Council Comments

Freeman Nice to be back

O'Malley Looking forward to workshops

Seabert Good to be involved with Water St., thanked council for approving Community Pride, appreciates all DPW does, and the new members of council are picking up on the workshop well.

Naumann Looking forward to out-door activities again

Walker Will be holding office hours again, time and place to be determined.

12. Mayor Comments

Thanked Seabert for Workshop support, thanked the CVB for their work, and attended the Saugatuck Police meet and greet.

13. Motion by Walker, with support from Naumann, to adjourn.