



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, APRIL 03, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER - By Mayor

2. ROLL CALL - By Clerk

PRESENT

Mayor Pro-Tem Cathy North
Mayor Jerome Donovan
Councilmember Neal Seabert
Councilmember Robert Naumann
Councilmember John OMalley
Councilmember Randy Walker
Councilmember Gregory Freeman

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Mayor

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve the April 3, 2023 Meeting Agenda
- B. Approve March 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- C. Approve the March 20, 2023 Closed Session Minutes
- D. Approve the March 20, 2023 Workshop Minutes
- E. Approval of Invoices in the amount of \$29,555.15
- F. Appointments, Resignations

Reappoint to Planning: Gregg Freeman, Kelli Heneghan, Paul Buszka - Term Ending 2026
Reappoint to Assessing Board of Review: Maria Droz - Term Ending 2026
Reappoint to Douglas Brownfield Authority: Rob Naumann, Mary Fechtig - Term Ending 2026

Motion to approve the April 3, 2023 Consent Calendar. - roll call vote

Motion made by Councilmember Freeman, Seconded by Councilmember Naumann.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES)

Tracey Shaffroth thanked council for holding the Water St. workshops.

6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - WRITTEN

Mayor Donovan noted written communications have been received.

A. John Thomas letter dated March 22, 2023

B. Interurban Pensions (No Council Action Required)

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ordinance 04-2023 Ethics - 1st Reading (No Council Action Required)

First reading of ordinance 04-2023 - Ethics Policy. Second reading will be April 17, 2023.

B. Social District Permit - Wild Dog Grille LLC

Motion to approve the Wild Dog LLC application for a Social District Permit as required by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Liquor Control Commission (MLCC). - roll call vote

Motion made by Councilmember Seabert, Seconded by Councilmember Naumann.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

C. Special Event - Town Crier Race

Motion to approve the special event application for the June 17, 2023 Town Crier Race, with the condition the organizers meet at least twice with the Chief of Police and Director of Public Works to discuss any changes or updates to the event. - roll call vote

Motion made by Councilmember Seabert, Seconded by Councilmember OMalley.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

D. Award Blue Star Highway Storm Drain/Sidewalk Project

Motion to award Compton, Inc. of South Haven, MI the 333 Blue Star Highway storm drain and Sidewalk project for \$98,327 and amend the budget by \$11,327. - roll call vote

Motion made by Councilmember Naumann, Seconded by Councilmember OMalley.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

E. Aquatic Weed Control Contract

Motion to approve Aquatic Doctor's 2023 contract in the amount of \$71,875 for treatment of invasive aquatic weeds from Douglas Harbor from Schultz Park to Union Street Boat Launch. - roll call vote

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem North, Seconded by Councilmember Naumann.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

F. Five Year Recreation Plan - Council Discussion Item

Motion to appoint an ad hoc Parks and Recreation Committee to represent the City of Douglas with the development of the 2024-2029 Parks and Recreation Plan. - roll call vote

An ad will be placed for those who would like to be appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee.

Motion made by Councilmember OMalley, Seconded by Councilmember Naumann.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

9. REPORTS

A. Commission/Committee/Boards

1. Planning Commission
2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water
3. Downtown Development Authority
4. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority
5. Douglas Harbor Authority
6. Douglas Brownfield Authority
7. Fire Board
8. Community Recreation -

DDA - Close to completion on the Gateway Sign. John Thomas and John Leben will place temporary signage for the summer. Kabri will sponsor the holiday market this year.

Douglas Harbor Authority - Met two week prior regarding the Aquatic Doctor's contract and discussed the water taxi.

City Manager - Last week of April there will be a joint meeting between the City Council and Brownfield to listen to Ryan Kilpatrick presentation on affordable homes. The exit 41 bridge will be closed for repair. Looks as if the city may have a new Planning Zoning Admin.

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

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Naumann	Noticed the new walkway at the Douglas Beach.
Seabert	Attended the CVB meeting on increasing workers.
North	Thanks to Rich and Staff for Budget information.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT/COMMENTS

13. CLOSED SESSION

Motion to enter into closed session per the Open Meetings Act, section MCL 15.268(d) and MCL 15268(h) to consider the purchase of real property up to the time an option to purchase real property is obtained, and to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute. - roll call vote

Motion to enter from closed session and revisit the regular meeting of City Council. - roll call vote

Motion made by Councilmember Seabert, Seconded by Councilmember OMalley.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem North, Mayor Donovan, Councilmember Seabert, Councilmember Naumann, Councilmember OMalley, Councilmember Walker, Councilmember Freeman.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

(Motion to enter from detailed in closed session minutes)

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Walker, supported by Seabert. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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