



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024 AT 7:00 PM
86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: By Mayor

2. ROLL CALL: By Clerk

PRESENT

Mayor Cathy North

Councilmember Jerome Donovan

Councilmember Neal Seabert

Councilmember John O'Malley

Mayor Pro-Tem Randy Walker

Councilmember Gregory Freeman

Councilmember Matt Balmer

Also Present City Manager Lisa Nocerini

City Clerk Laura Kasper

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve the Council Meeting Agenda for December 16, 2024

B. Approve the Council Regular Meeting Minutes for December 2, 2024

C. Approve Invoices in the Amount of \$157,080.32

D. Appointments - Cathy North: Fire Board of Appeals

Motion by O'Malley, second by Balmer, to approve the Consent Calendar of December 16, 2024 – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL: None

6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – WRITTEN: None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sue Chaitin - Power Generator Presentation

B. Ordinance No. 09-2024 - Surplus Property Ordinance Amendment #2 - Second Reading - Public Hearing (L. Nocerini)

Motion by Seabert, second by Balmer, to open the public hearing for Ordinance No. 09-2024. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1. Administration Comments – City Manager Nocerini commented that the amendment was needed to clean up the some of the language in the ordinance.
2. Public Comments – No comments
3. Council Comments – No comments

Motion by Seabert, second by O'Malley, to close the public hearing for Ordinance No. 09-2024. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Freeman, second by O'Malley, to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2024, approving the Surplus Property Ordinance amendment #2 for the City of Douglas. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- C. Ferry Street Project - Budget Amendment (L. Nocerini) Lucas Timmer with Prein & Newhof joined remotely to address questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Balmer, second by Freeman, to approve a budget amendment for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$285,337.00 for water main, sanitary sewer, and surface restoration on Ferry Street. – Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

9. REPORTS

A. Commission/Committee/Boards

1. Planning Commission – Master Plan draft approved for public review
2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water – report provided in packet
3. Downtown Development Authority – passport program extended till January 31st
4. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority – no meeting
5. Douglas Harbor Authority – no meeting
6. Douglas Brownfield Authority – no meeting
7. Fire Board – calls up 18%, will be meeting twice monthly
8. Community Recreation – no meeting
9. Playground Committee – no meeting
10. Tri-Community Wildlife Committee – public deer survey released, next meeting is in February

- B. Administration Report – City Manager Nocerini comments – Tri-Community Wildlife Committee is working on a balanced approach to the area deer nuisance, January 21st groundbreaking ceremony at 415 Wiley, congratulated Planning Commission for moving the Master Plan forward, beginning in 2025 Council will meet at 6:00 PM, and wished everyone happy holidays.

10. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL: Allegan County Clerk Bob Genetski commended City Clerk Kasper for work on the General Election, provided updates and the annual report.

Charity Nosse asked if there were any updates on the Westshore PUD site plan.

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmembers wished everyone happy holidays. Donovan recognized the Wildlife Committees published letter and mentioned the Police possibly holding a community informational seminar on scams to watch out for. Balmer mentioned that there were no updates or additional information on Westshore at this time.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT/COMMENTS: Mayor North wished everyone happy holidays and liked the idea of having a community seminar or workshop to inform about scams.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Seabert, second by Balmer, to adjourn the meeting.

Approved on this 6th day of January 2025

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Cathy North, Mayor

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Laura Kasper, City Clerk

Certification of Minutes

I hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of the Village of Douglas held on December 16, 2024, I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Laura Kasper, City Clerk