

**VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 17TH, 2021**

1. Call to Order

President Roger Vanderstelt called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Roger Vanderstelt, Amy Haack, Carl Rothenberger, Bill Overkamp, Jeff Guiles and Ann LaCroix

3. Approval of May 17th Meeting Agenda

Motion made by Amy to approve the May 17th meeting agenda, supported by Jeff. With a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

4. Approval of the April 19th council meeting minutes

Motion made by Amy to approve the April 19th council meeting minutes, supported by Jeff. With a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Correspondence

Ann advised that all went well with the off-year audit of the Village. She advised that LGROW will be hosting a family fishing and craft event at the Park on Saturday June 12th.

7. Reports from Officers.

- 8. Amy** advised that Prein & Newhof continue to work on the kayak launch and managing the donation of materials. The Playground kickoff event took place on May 13th. Information was provided to the many guests that attended. Our goal is to raise \$100,000.00 of the \$157,000.00 cost through fundraising and grants. Volunteers will be needed for the community build and a variety of tasks. Amy advised that the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that the village is a member of, has received state transportation funding as part of the federal stimulus package. The Village share is expected to be about \$80,000.00. The funds need to be used on a road project. Amy investigated using the funds to resurface 2nd Avenue. She found that the MPO Policy only allows the money to be spent on national functional roads which are 3rd Avenue, Park Street and Pontaluna. She is suggesting building a bike path on 8th Avenue between Pontaluna and Beech. This bike path was listed as a preferred project idea in the Safe Routes to School grant project that was a partnership of the village, the township of Fruitport, Fruitport Community Schools, and MSU.

Carl advised that if resurfacing 2nd Avenue isn't allowed through the funding Amy discussed that we could use regular street funds for the repairs. Carl advised that our current 457 retirement plan was not set up for employee loans. An employee would like to get a loan. Ann advised that we could amend the 457 plan to allow for loans and she can facilitate them. Motion made by

Carl to allow 457 loans, supported by Amy. Roll call AYES: Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp, Guiles and Vanderstelt NAYS: None

Carl suggested that the Clerk be the point of contact for all correspondence to the State of Michigan and other professional organizations. Council agreed. Carl suggested we pursue hiring a part-time Village manager or Administrative employee to assist with the continually increasing workload of staff.

Bill advised all is running well at the Library. Bill advised the seal coating should be done in the next 10 days.

Jeff questioned looking into widening the side of Bridge Street bridge. Amy responded with information about the call for projects and possibly looking into the possibility in the future. Jeff advised that the Planning Commission has ordered the pots with flowers and they will be placed on 3rd Avenue soon.

Roger advised that Alex Vickers has resigned from the Planning Commission. The clerk will post the position on Facebook and the Marquee. Roger received a call from a representative of the Lions Club stating that the carnival company for Old Fashioned Days would like to hold a carnival on June 3-6 in Pomona Park. This would not be a Lions Club sponsored event. The Carnival has not contacted the Village directly no action will be taken.

9. Garbage

Ann requested approval to have the delinquent garbage bills placed on the upcoming tax bills. Motion made Jeff to approve the delinquent garbage bills being placed on the tax bill, supported by Carl. Roll call AYES: Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp, Guiles and Vanderstelt. NAYS: None
Ann reviewed the proposed rates for the 2021-2022 garbage bills. Motion made by Carl to approve a yearly rate of \$135.72 if paid by July 31st, 2021 and a rate of \$169.65 if paid after 7-31-21, supported by Jeff. Roll call AYES: Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp, Guiles and Vanderstelt. NAYS: None

10. Master Plan resolution

Council discussed the Master Plan. See attached resolution.

11. End of South Brooks

Council reviewed the bids for the project. Motion made by Roger to contract M&M to complete the work in an amount not to exceed \$900.00, supported by Jeff. Roll call AYES: Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp, Guiles and Vanderstelt. NAYS: None

12. Park Street

Summary sheet for bids was reviewed by council. Council would like to see the detailed bids. Tabled til next month.

13. Motto

Amy discussed the motto. She wants council to submit their ideas for a motto and we can discuss next month.

14. 7th & Peach

Summary sheet was reviewed by council. Council would like to see the detailed bids. Tabled until next month.

15. Public Comment

None

16. Warrants

Ann added the bill for the audit to the warrant. Motion made by Amy to approve the warrants and the additional bill of \$8895.00 for Calvin Meeusen, supported by Jeff. Roll call AYES: Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp, Guiles and Vanderstelt. NAYS: None

17. Adjournment

Motion made by Amy to adjourn the meeting at 8:02pm, supported by Jeff. With a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ann LaCroix
Clerk

**VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
MUSKEGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

At a meeting of the Village of Fruitport Council held on May 17th, 2021 at 7pm

PRESENT: Vanderstelt, Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp and Guiles

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Amy Haack and supported by Jeff Guiles.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISTRIBUTION OF THE 2021 MASTER PLAN
UPDATE AND TO ASSERT THE RIGHT TO APPROVE THE PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the Village of Fruitport has prepared the draft 2021 Village of Fruitport Master Plan Update (“2021 Master Plan Update”); and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2021, the Planning Commission recommended distribution of the draft 2021 Master Plan Update to neighboring communities and relevant agencies, as required by Section 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, as amended.

IT IS, THEREFORE, RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Village of Fruitport Council asserts its right to approve or reject the Master Plan revisions and updates.
2. The Village of Fruitport Council hereby approves the distribution of the draft 2021 Master Plan Update prepared by the Planning Commission and submitted at this meeting of the Village Council to neighboring communities and relevant agencies, as required by Section 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act.
3. The Village Clerk is authorized and requested to distribute of copies (or an emailed link) of the draft 2021 Master Plan Update to the neighboring communities and relevant agencies entitled by law to receive copies of the draft plan.

4. Neighboring communities and relevant agencies shall be asked to submit comments within 42 days of receipt and shall be provided the date of the official public hearing.

AYES:Haack, Rothenberger, Overkamp, Guiles and Vanderstelt

NAYS:None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



Village of Fruitport Clerk