



**VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 15, 2024**

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Vanderstelt at 5:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call – Council present: Roger Vanderstelt, Jeff Guiles, Chris LeFaive, Bill Overkamp, and Carl Rothenberger.
Staff Present: Amy Haack, Clerk; Ann LaCroix, Treasurer; Jacob Griffis, DPW Supervisor; Gary Goerbig, DPW Team Member; and Zach Thier, DPW Team Member.
Public present: Jen DeBrot, 6330 Timberland Drive, from 1M Project; Rachel Nagorsen from LGROW; and Cara Decker from LGROW.
3. Consent Agenda - The consent agenda includes the April 15 Council Meeting Agenda, the March 25, 2024 Council Budget Meeting Minutes, the March 25, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes, and Payment of Bills. Motion made by Overkamp and supported by Rothenberger to add two items to the April 15 agenda which are a 21 Gun Salute and Pavement Markings and to approve the remaining consent agenda. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
4. Public Comment – Comment was made from Jen DeBrot, 6330 Timberland Drive, representing the 1 M Project regarding reserving Pomona Park for Saturday, September 21 for an event that would include a farm animal petting zoo, games, and activities that include a tractor hayride. Council requested more details in writing to review.
5. Report from Clerk / Correspondence – Haack read a thank you note from Sue Halter addressed to the Council for supporting Dancing into the Sunset.
6. Report from Treasurer – LaCroix reported that the Bridge Street Bridge Project closed out under budget, she completed ARPA reporting, worked with MML insurance rep on related policies, and is preparing for the year end audit.
7. Reports from Officers –
 - a. Guiles asked about plan review for 220 8th Street.
 - b. LeFaive reported that the Planning Commission continues to work on a revised zoning ordinance regarding the size of garages and accessory buildings, is working on an ordinance for the keeping of chickens, and also gave a brief update on the Third Avenue bridge

lighting project. LeFaive also asked the council to consider raising the compensation for the Planning Commission secretary.

- c. Overkamp reported that he has reviewed Village setback requirements as they relate to the library in Pomona Park and gave a brief update of progress on a potential new library building.
 - d. Vanderstelt reported on progress of various projects and DPW activities.
8. Presentation from the Lower Grand River Organization of Watersheds (LGROW) – Rachel Nagorsen and Cara Decker presented on their organization and storm water information.
 9. Stormwater Resolution - Motion by Vanderstelt and supported by Rothenberger to approve the president to sign the stormwater resolution as presented. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
 10. 21 Gun Salute – Motion by Guiles and supported by Rothenberger to approve an Honor Guard to perform a 21 Gun Salute in Pomona Park on July 4th during Dancing into the Sunset’s Military Themed Night as requested by Sue Halter. Overkamp emphasized that the Honor Guard be dressed properly for the occasion. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
 11. Pavement Markings – Motion by Vanderstelt and supported by Rothenberger to approve the quote from Advanced Pavement Markings in the amount of \$4,983.00 (Major Streets). Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
 12. Personnel Manual Updates – LaCroix presented updates regarding PTO time calculation and DPW supervisor and/or team members attending council meetings. Motion by Guiles and supported by Rothenberger to approve PTO calculation update. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried. Motion made by Rothenberger and supported by Guiles to approve the DPW attending council meetings update. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
 13. Bank Account Authority – Motion made by Rothenberger and supported by Vanderstelt to add Amy Haack, Clerk as an authorized signature on the Village bank account. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Overkamp, Rothenberger, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
 14. Trees at Fourth and Park Streets – Motion made by Vanderstelt and supported by Guiles to accept quote from RV Tree in the amount of \$7,500.00

(Major Streets) to remove the two trees hindering the sidewalk on the southeast corner of Fourth and Park Streets. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.

15. Public Comment – No public comment was made.
16. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Haack, Clerk