

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 13, 2023**

President Johnson called the Regular Council Meeting of the Cassopolis Village Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Johnson, Williams, Danzy-Yeager and Pedersen
Council Members Absent: Luckey, Kelly (arrived at 6:31pm) & Makay

The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Approval of Agenda: Danzy-Yeager motioned, seconded by Pedersen, to approve the agenda with the addition of the RDBG Resolution added under New Business.

Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda: Pedersen motioned, seconded by Danzy-Yeager, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2023
- B. Workshop Meeting Minutes – January 23, 2023
- C. Approval of Invoices - \$558,079.72
- D. Budget Amendments
- E. Change of Council Meeting time to 6pm

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kelly, Johnson, Williams, Danzy-Yeager, Pedersen

Nays:

Absent: Luckey & Makay

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

New Business:

A. **Resolution for RDBG Grant:** Kelly motioned, seconded by Danzy-Yeager to approve the resolution as presented. This is requesting funding for the design work of phase 2 of the beach.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Johnson, Williams, Danzy-Yeager, Pedersen, Kelly

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

Patricia Curry asked about having 2 chickens in town if they were contained. Village Manager LaGrow responded that it will be discussed at our next workshop meeting.

Managers' Update:

Village Manager LaGrow discussed:

- The Village was awarded the DNR Spark Grant, which gives \$1million toward phase 2 of the beach. This is a \$0 match grant and we can start spending the money on the design work. We are

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looking for more funding for the remaining \$2million needed to complete that project. More resolutions for applications are forthcoming.

- We also received the High Performer Grant for the NEP round 7 grant for completing on time and on budget. We can request up to \$60,000 to complete exterior projects for homeowners.

Miscellaneous: Council Concerns/Items:

Williams asked if Workshops are also moving to 6pm going forward. Village Manger confirmed those will start as 6pm as well.

Danzy-Yeager asked about creating another South Side Park because people are still asking her about that. They are also asking for somewhere on the south side for that has swings, slides and access to water. Johnson stated every option we looked at to create another park didn't work. Williams stated there's a lot of people using the skate park.

Pedersen asked about a crossing light at the log cabin. Village Manager LaGrow stated we will be appealing for that from MDOT again.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Tonia Betty, Village Clerk

Reviewed by: _____
David L. Johnson, Village President