

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 12, 2021**

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

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Luckey, Conner, Johnson, Williams, Danzy-Yeager and Pedersen
Council Members Absent: Kelly

The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

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

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2021
- B. Workshop Meeting Minutes – March 22, 2021
- C. Closed Session Meeting Minutes – March 22, 2021
- D. Approval of Invoices - \$400,987.69
- E. Resolution 2021-3: 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Conner, Johnson, Williams, Danzy-Yeager, Pedersen and Luckey

Nays:

Absent: Kelly

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

Officer Crilly Introduction

Chief LaValle introduced David Crilly, the new police officer hired in February to replace Officer Kahne.

New Business:

- A. Presentation by T. Gogol: Ted Gogol presented his idea of a floating inflatable water park on Stone Lake to the Council. It would be a recreation experience for ages 7-75. He discussed the benefits of partnering with the Village on this project. It would be privately funded and the Village would receive a portion of gross sales. Council would need to pass a resolution in support of this project in order for Mr. Gogol to request permits from EGLE. There was additional discussion regarding parking, logistics and projected opening date.

Public Comment:

None

Managers Update:

Village Manager Sarratore discussed:

- The Village was removed from the lawsuit with Schwintek and the judge ruled against Schwintek. The Village could potentially be brought back into the lawsuit if Schwintek submitted a new complaint.
- We were awarded the FIT (First Impressions: Assessing your community for tourism) grant through MSU. We think this is timely with what is going on. The advisory board that will be put together will present their findings in the fall and help to implement the suggestions. We will get an outsider's impression of what has been done and what can be done better.

- We applied for some other grants through the State and we will be receiving some additional funding through stimulus funds.
- A meeting she attended for the Village of Marcellus DDA board. She spoke about RRC and the benefits to the Village. We are leading and others want to know how we're doing it.

Miscellaneous: Council Concerns/Items:

Williams wanted to commend Ben Anderson and the Main Street committee for selling the house on O'Keefe; the renovations by Boyles Properties is looking great.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Tonia Betty, Village Clerk

Reviewed by: _____
David L. Johnson, Village President