

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 11, 2022**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Consent Agenda: Williams motioned, seconded by Pedersen, to approve the consent agenda with a change to the wording in the last line of the public hearing minutes.

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes – June 13, 2022
- B. Public Hearing Meeting Minutes – June 13, 2022
- C. Workshop Meeting Minutes – June 27, 2022
- D. Approval of Invoices - \$587,519.39
- E. Resolution for Interest & Penalty on Taxes 2022-16

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

Presentation from Dr. Ritzler

The Superintendent of Cassopolis Public Schools, Dr. Ritzler, spoke with Council about their upcoming ballot proposal for the August 2nd election. This is a replacement for the school sinking fund, funds are mainly used for emergencies, but can also be used for technology and security measures.

Managers' Report:

Village Manager LaGrow discussed:

- The meeting with the muralist for the retaining wall at Stone Lake went well. He should be able to start once he completes his job in Three Rivers. We are also looking at the possibilities for a mural on the viaduct.
- The skate park design is almost completed and is looking good so far. We are hoping to partner with the road commission for the needed asphalt.
- RRC updates were needed to receive funding; those updates have been submitted and we are hoping to get the new website funded through this.

Public Comment:

Sheriff Behnke spoke on the 911 renewal ballot proposal for the August 2nd election. This needs to be renewed every four years and it helps to fund the 911 center, which has the capability to receive text and video calls.

Kelly asked about the process for getting a lawn mowing violation and bill after she received a message from a resident about it who claimed they received no notice. Village Manager LaGrow informed her that

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Zoning Solutions will post notices on the door of the property if the lawn is significantly bad or if there have been resident complaints. Our crew will take before and after pictures of the lawn that was mowed and going forward, we will request Zoning Solutions to record a video of them posting the notice.

Miscellaneous: Council Concerns/Items:

Johnson said a resident on Park Shore Dr. was asking about storm water draining into his house. Village Manager LaGrow explained that storm drain has always been located there; the engineers have reviewed this issue with the resident and provided explanations.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Tonia Betty, Village Clerk

Reviewed by: _____
David L. Johnson, Village President