

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
SPECIAL/WORKSHOP MEETING
May 22, 2023**

President Johnson called the Special/Workshop Meeting of the Cassopolis Village Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

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

Council Members Absent: Makay

The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Approval of Agenda: Pedersen motioned, seconded by Kelly, to approve the agenda with the change to the date on the notice.

Motion Carried.

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

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes - April 10, 2023
- B. Workshop Meeting Minutes - April 24, 2023
- C. Public Hearing Minutes - April 24, 2023
- D. Public Hearing Minutes - April 28, 2023
- E. Approval of Invoices - \$262,122.31
- F. Tax foreclosure home purchase- \$8,899.20

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays:

Absent: Makay

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

New Business

- A. **Category B Grant:** We will be applying for the Category B Grant, which is the same grant that was used for the Parkshore Drive reconstruction project. The funding has increased and we can apply for two projects in 2024 or 2025. The options for roads to apply for are the roads in Stone Lake Shores, South O'Keefe, Rowland 1 & Rowland 2. Our recommendation is to apply for the roads in Stone Lake Shores and South O'Keefe. Our hope is to get one of the two during the 2024-2025 budget so we can afford match dollars. Rowland is much more expensive due to it being a full reconstruct and will include water and sewer. Resolutions will be presented at our next meeting to put in for the application.
- B. **2023-2024 Draft Fiscal Budget:** Clerk Betty reviewed the draft budget and discussed the items that were not in the scope of the normal operating budget. Some of those items include repaving of local roads, completion of grants that we have received, the start of phase 2 of the beach and housing development initial expenses.

Public Comment:

Ted Gogol spoke on the Stone Lake chemical treatment map. The lake was chemically treated on May 17th and everything went according to plan. Harvesting should begin mid to late June.

Manager Updates

Village Manager LaGrow discussed:

- The RBDG Grant was approved, giving us \$90,000 to generate plans for phase 2 of the beach.
- We were also approved for the Business Services Grant, giving us %50,000 toward design and engineering for the housing development.
- Beach Bash is the first weekend of June and we are looking for a handful of volunteers Friday and Saturday to assist with kayak & paddle boards and golf cart drivers.
- We received the approval to move forward with the NEP 8 grant; applications will be sent out soon and we can now order items for the dog park.
- The Memorial Day parade begins 10am, the VFW is still looking for people with convertibles to drive in the parade. This Saturday flags will be placed on veterans’ graves at 10am.

Miscellaneous: Council Concerns/Items:

Luckey requested for life jackets on the beach this Friday because there will be a field trip there.

Kelly asked if the existing plumbing for log cabin bathrooms can be used for the new bathrooms. She wants to know what is being done about the goats that are on her street. She also asked about some trouble with Hydro in other communities. Village Manager LaGrow informed her that the RDBG Grant will help to answer the plumbing question and she has passed the information about the goats to code enforcement. She will provide Council with the correct information regarding the issue.

Adjournment:

President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m. by unanimous agreement.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Tonia Betty, Village Clerk

Reviewed by: _____
David L. Johnson, Village President