

Elkton Village Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday August 13th, 2024

Elkton Village Hall

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President Dan Armbruster called the regular meeting of the Elkton Village Council to order at 6:30P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present: Tracy Macdowall, Matt Lewis, Bridgette Dufty, Deena Jobes, Shane Schember, and Agnes Kosinski.

Motion Shane Schember, second Bridgette Dufty to approve the agenda, as presented.

Motion carried.

Motion Agnes Kosinski, second Bridgette Dufty to approve the minutes from the July 9th, 2024 Regular Meeting, as presented.

Motion carried.

Public Comment: President Dan Armbruster thanked everyone for attending the Walking Path Ribbon Cutting Ceremony earlier today and for all the hard work that went into completing the project.

Guests:

1. Jamie Peasley-Audit Report

Jamie Peasley from Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt, Doran, PC presented the audit report for FY '23-'24. Jamie reviewed all the fund balances and stated the water sewer fund will need to submit a deficit elimination plan again this year. Discussion on the audit report.

Motion Agnes Kosinski, second Shane Schember to accept the audit report for FY 2023-2024 as presented by Jamie Peasley.

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Abstain-Jobes

Motion carried.

2. Mike Wiederhold-"Born to be Wild" 2025

Mike Wiederhold presented the idea that this event would like to return to Elkton Ackerman Park on September 12th and 13th, 2025. The Elkton Community Club would be the insurance holder and would help organize the event. Discussion on park usage, police coverage, entertainment tent, rustic camping, walking path rules, motorcycle events, campfires, vendors, and public use of the park.

Motion Dan Armbruster, second Shane Schember for the Village of Elkton to allow the use of the park for the "Born to be Wild" on September 12th and 13th, 2025 with the stipulation that the "Born to be Wild" committee reports back in March 2025 with a finalized plan.

Motion carried.

Old Business:

1. Summer Rec. 2024 Synopsis

Phyllis Baranski read aloud the email synopsis from the Summer Rec. 2024 Director Crystal Fritz. Overall, the consensus was the program was a success this year. The Village Council thanked the Summer Rec. 2024 staff for a job well done.

New Business:

1. Adopt Resolution 2024-04 Capital Charge
Motion Agnes Kosinski, second Deena Jobes to adopt Resolution 2024-04 Capital Charge, as presented. Discussion.
Motion carried.
2. Approve DDA Member-Emma Heck
Motion Deena Jobes, second Shane Schember to approve the appointment of the new DDA member Emma Heck. Discussion.
Motion carried.
3. Approve New Hire Amb. EMT
Beth Swartzendruber gave a briefing on the new applicant, Gary Coleman. Dan Armbruster stated the Police and Ambulance Committee is recommending Gary Coleman be hired as an Elkton Ambulance EMT.
Motion Matt Lewis, second Shane Schember to hire Gary Coleman as an Elkton Ambulance EMT.
Motion carried.
4. Approve Amb. Lift Assist Fee Increase
Dan Armbruster stated the Police and Ambulance Committee is recommending a lift assist fee increase from \$125 to \$200. Discussion.
Motion Matt Lewis, second Bridgette Dufty to approve the increase of the lift assist fee from \$125 to \$200 effective immediately.
Motion carried.
5. Elkton Autumnfest Reminder
Phyllis Baranski reminded everyone the Autumnfest is only a few weeks away over the Labor Day Weekend. The Elkton Community Club is always looking for volunteers and anyone interested in helping out should contact Sandy Fritz.
6. Budget Amendments
Motion Deena Jobes, second Shane Schember to approve the budget amendments, as presented.
Motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Motion Deena Jobes, second Agnes Kosinski to approve the accounts payables in the amount of \$49,973.60, as presented in the packet.
Motion carried.

Department Reports

DPW-Superintendent Lonnie Schulz: Lonnie Schulz was absent. Phyllis Baranski stated Lonnie Schulz finished up all the walking path construction in time for the ribbon cutting. Discussion on the construction of the entrance area of the walking path.

Clerk/Treasurer-Phyllis Baranski: Phyllis Baranski stated the walking path construction is complete, but the final payment and grant administration still need to be completed. Phyllis stated the property taxes continue to come in steady. Phyllis stated she submitted a grant application for the walking path lighting and will be completing another grant for walking path lighting by the 23rd. Phyllis Baranski stated she submitted the parade permit to the State of Michigan for the Autumnfest parade. It is pending approval.

Ambulance-Coordinator Beth Swartzendruber: Beth stated there were 33 runs in July with 14 of them billable, 14 of them lift assists, and 5 of them call offs. Beth stated the ambulance is struggling to have weekend coverage. Agnes Kosinski discussed the comfort of overnight staff in the Ambulance office.

Police-Chief Scott Jobes: Scott Jobes stated complaints are at 438 for the year compared to 436 last year. Scott stated that Walmart is now requiring grant awards be deposited into a PayPal account. Discussion on the Village establishing a PayPal account.

Motion Dan Armbruster, second Deena Jobes to authorize the Village of Elkton to open a PayPal account with approval from the auditors. Discussion.

Motion carried.

Scott stated he had ice cream with the Elkton Summer Rec. kids at the Youth Center in July. Scott also stated he did kickball with the Pigeon Summer Rec. in July.

Committee Reports: Dan Armbruster stated that along with Emma Heck attending her first DDA meeting last week, so did Agnes Kosinski as the Council Representative. Dan stated both are great additions with many good ideas for the DDA.

Public Comment: None

Motion Matt Lewis, second Agnes Kosinski to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

President Dan Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 7:09P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis A. Baranski, CMC, MiPMC
Elkton Village Clerk/Treasurer

Approved 09.10.2024
Phyllis Baranski