

Elkton Village Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday July 14th, 2026
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: Bob Prill, 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 Matt Lewis, second Shane Schember to approve the minutes from the June 9th, 2026 Regular Meeting, as presented.
Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Guests: 1. West Huron Soccer League-Chad Craig

Chad Craig thanked the Council for the use of Ackerman Park and stated there are about 140 kids participating in Spring and Fall leagues. Chad stated Agnes Kosinski, Parks and Rec. Chairman has been very helpful. The Soccer League donated \$200 to Ackerman Park to assist the Village with costs. The Council thanked Chad for the donation. Chad Craig asked permission to use Ackerman Park for fall league beginning with practices the week of August 31st and games running September 12th through October 17th.

Motion Agnes Kosinski, second Bridgette Dufty to allow the West Huron Soccer League to use Ackerman Park for fall league during said dates. Discussion.
Motion carried.

Old Business:

1. Village Trustee Nominating Petitions

Phyllis Baranski stated this is the third and final reminder that three Village Council Trustee seats will be on the ballot in November. Nominating Petitions and Affidavit of Identity forms are available in the Clerk's Office and are due back by July 21st at 4:00P.M.

New Business:

1. Adopt Zoning Ordinance Amendment-Cargo Containers

Dan Armbruster stated the Planning Commission just held a Public Hearing and meeting tonight and they are recommending the adoption of the Cargo Container amendment. Discussion.

Motion Dan Armbruster, second Bob Prill to adopt the Cargo Container amendment as recommended by the Planning Commission.
Motion carried.

2. Summer Rec. Staff Hourly Rate

Phyllis Baranski stated the hourly pay rate for Summer Rec. staff had to be adjusted at the first pay period due to Michigan Minimum Wage. Phyllis stated the current pay rates are Counselors at minimum wage of \$13.73/hour and the Director at \$15.50/hour. Discussion. Motion Dan Armbruster, second Bob Prill to approve the adjustment of the hourly pay rate to reflect minimum wage requirements. Motion carried.

3. EGLE SVN-01969

Dan Armbruster presented the Second Violation Notice received from EGLE regarding the lagoons and reporting issues. Dan Armbruster summarized the findings from the July 6th meeting with EGLE, Spicer Group, DPW employees, himself, and Clerk Phyllis Baranski. Discussion on the plan of action to respond to the violations and next steps at the State level. Discussion on the July 6th DPW and Labor Relations Committee Meetings. Discussion with DPW employees on reporting and training issues. Discussion on financial impact on the Village for contracted assistance to remedy the violations, as well as cost of remediating the lagoon structures.

4. Approve Contract-Spicer Group

Dan Armbruster reviewed the quote from Spicer Group for their assistance with the Second Violation Notice. Discussion on associated costs. Motion Dan Armbruster, second Shane Schember to approve the quote from Spicer Group, as presented. Motion carried.

5. Approve Contract-Infrastructure Alternatives, Inc.

Dan Armbruster reviewed the hourly rate for Tyler Pettit to assist Bernie Champagne with correcting the reporting issues in the Second Violation Notice. Discussion between Council and Bernie Champagne regarding the need for assistance and how many hours are needed for the consulting. Dan Armbruster would like the DPW to get a cost estimate from Tyler Pettit for Council to review prior to approval.

Accounts Payable

Motion Agnes Kosinski, second Shane Schember to approve the accounts payables in the amount of \$465,129.97, as presented. Discussion.

Yays-6 Nays-0 Abstain-1 Jobses

Motion carried.

Department Reports

Clerk/Treasurer- Phyllis Baranski: Phyllis Baranski stated the Village annual taxes and quarterly water bills were mailed out at the beginning of July. Phyllis also stated she has been busy assisting with the Second Violation Notice. Phyllis stated the State Camp Licensing inspection for Summer Rec. should happen this week. Phyllis gave a synopsis of Clerk's Conference from last month.

Ambulance-Coordinator Tracy Macdowall- Tracy stated there were 24 runs in June with 10 billable runs and 10 out of service. Tracy stated the July schedule is pretty full with less out of service times. Tracy stated she contacted potential students for an August EMT class, but did not have anyone interested. One potential student has chosen to take classes in Sanilac County but may give us some hours once she is licensed. Tracy stated she will advertise the class and hopefully get some interested students.

Police-Chief Scott Jobs: Scott Jobs stated complaints are at 381 for the year compared to 378 last year at this time. Scott Jobs stated there have been lots of traffic violations and tickets written. Scott stated a contracting company illegally tapped into a fire hydrant last week at Ackerman Park. Scott stated his Chief's Conference went well last month and he earned 12 continuing education credits. Discussion on faded speed signs along M-142.

DPW-Superintendent Lonnie Schulz: Lonnie Schulz stated the pickle ball and basketball courts are painted and the pickle ball net is set up. Lonnie stated the LED sign is mounted and the electrical was installed today. Discussion on improvements and community usage of all the parks.

Committee Reports: None

Public Comment: None

Motion Matt Lewis, second Bridgette Dufty to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

President Dan Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 7:26P.M.

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

approved 08-11-2026
Phyllis A. Baranski