

Village of Gaines
Regular Council Meeting
March 13, 2019

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Interim President Diane S. Nowak at the Village of Gaines Office, 113 Genesee Street at 7:00 p.m. with a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Emily Alexander, Christopher Crawford, Barbara Ferris, Melissa Neal, Interim President Diane Nowak, Treasurer Demi Manutes-Pyles, and Clerk Vicky Sandlin
Absent: Carol Erickson and President Sam Stiff

Interim President Diane S. Nowak amended agenda to:

- Add an item under "15. New Business"
 - H. Compensation for President Pro-Tempore and Interim President

Appointing Fill-In For President During Absence (Resolution 2019-03)

Motion Neal, *second* Ferris to approve Resolution 2019-03 Appointing Interim Village of Gaines Council President

Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak

Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***

Police Report

Report received prior to meeting and on file.

Code Enforcement Report

Report received prior to meeting and on file.

Audience Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

- A. *Motion* Alexander, *second* Neal to approve February 13, 2019 Regular Council meeting minutes as presented.
Unanimous Voice Vote: All Ayes - ***Motion declared carried***
- B. *Motion* Alexander, *second* Neal to approve February 13, 2019 Budget Workshop meeting minutes as presented.
Unanimous Voice Vote: All Ayes - ***Motion declared carried***

Treasurer Report

- A. Bank Balance - \$276,139; Investment Balance - \$324,355

Approval of The Bills

Motion Alexander, *second* Ferris to approve bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak

Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***

DPW Report

- Street Commissioner Harold DeMott will begin the base reconstruction and resurfacing project for Lansing Street (from Genesee to Saginaw) in early Spring.

Fire Board Report

The March 4, 2019 Gaines Township Fire Board meeting was not attended by a Village of Gaines representative.

Building Inspector Report

Building Inspector Marty Johnson did not submit a report and was unable to attend.

Steve Anderson stopped by the Village office to let the Village know that he will begin work on the lumber yard once the weather breaks in the Spring.

Interim President's Report

- Attended Township Budget and Regular meeting Wednesday, March 6, 2019. They approved their budget. They are re-graveling four (4) miles of roads near the Village: Baldwin (between Sheridan and Duffield), Van Vleet (between Ray and Baldwin), Cook (between Sheridan and Duffield), and Beers (not sure on specifics).
The Township and the Village utilize Taylor-Morgan. The Township Clerk compared four separate accounting firms to Taylor-Morgan and found Taylor-Morgan to be the best-priced for the needed services.
They are also holding two Public Hearings on proposed financing of police services through a special assessment district. The first meeting is tonight (March 13, 2019) and the second is to be determined.
- Update on the Small Cities & Villages April 3 meeting: Margaret Kato from Habitat for Humanity will be our speaker. We will holding the meeting at the Village Hall.
- The Community Easter Egg Hunt, hosted by Faith Church (assisted by Larry Judson), will be held Saturday, April 20, 2019. The Egg Hunt will be at 11:00 a.m. More information will be provided at next month's meeting.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- A. Approval of the Millage (2019 L-4029)
Mills are the same as last year per recommendation of Genesee County Treasurers Office, due to the fact that the Village does not normally have any major changes. Actual rates will be announced in May 2019 and any adjustments will be made before filing deadline September 2019.
Motion Alexander, second Neal to approve 2019 L-4029 as presented:
- General: 10.5017
 - Fire: 2.9864
 - Roads: 1.1360
 - Total: 14.6241
- Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- B. Approval of the 2019-2020 Village of Gaines Budget
Motion Alexander, second Ferris to approve 2019-2020 Village of Gaines Budget as presented.
Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- C. Resolution 2019-04 Transportation Improvement Program
Motion Neal, second Alexander to approve Resolution 2019-04 Transportation Improvement Program.
Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- D. Resolution 2019-05 Support of Special Assessment District to Finance Police Services
Motion Alexander, second Nowak to approve Resolution 2019-05 Support of Special Assessment District to Finance Police Services.
Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Nowak
Nays – Ferris, Neal. ***Motion declared carried***
- E. Small Cities and Villages Meeting Menu
Motion Neal, second Alexander to approve catering quote from Pesto's in the amount of \$295.00 and to charge \$15/person from those attending the Small Cities and Villages meeting held at the Village Hall on April 3, 2019.
Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- F. 2019 Dust Control Program (Chloride Application)
Motion Alexander, second Ferris to approve payment to Genesee County Road Commission in the amount of \$561.60 for the 2019 Dust Control Program (Chloride Application).
Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***

- G. Street Closure (Genesee Street from Walker to Lord) for Summerfest July 27 & 28, 2019
Motion Alexander, *second* Nowak to approve street closure of Genesee Street from Walker to Lord) for Summerfest Saturday, July 27 (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) and Sunday, July 28, 2019 (11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.).
Unanimous Voice Vote: All Ayes - ***Motion declared carried***
- H. Compensation for President Pro Tempore and Interim President (in absence of President)
Motion Alexander, *second* Neal to approve compensation for President Pro Tempore and Interim President at the beginning payment for the President position of \$200 month, plus meeting fees (\$25.00) and mileage (\$0.55) as set in our Village of Gaines standard.
Roll Call: Ayes - Alexander, Crawford, Ferris, Neal, Nowak
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***

Communications

- A. Water & Waste Meeting – Nowak was unable to attend February 20, 2019 meeting.
B. Small Cities/Villages Meeting – Neal was unable to attend March 6, 2019 meeting.
C. Gaines Township Meeting – Interim President Nowak attended Wednesday, March 6, 2019.
D. TAC Meeting – Alexander attended March 7, 2019 meeting. Received meeting packet which indicates our project has been pushed to 2021.

Council Concerns

- Swartz Creek Community Schools have tentative plans to make Gaines Elementary a magnet school with a specialized programs that is geared toward FFA and 4H.

Audience Comments

Dave Aurrand/Gaines Men's Club had the following issues:

- Seeking Genesee Street closure for Memorial Day Presentation on May 27, 2019 around noon. Will be added to next month's agenda.
- The Men's Club is considering putting a sign in Veteran's Park stating that forms for the bricks are available at the Village Hall. Forms are also being updated. This issue will be added to next month's agenda.
- Habitat for Humanity sent letters to approximately ninety (90) churches in Genesee County requesting assistance in raising \$60,000 for two "faith build" houses (\$30,000 for each build), one in the Village and one on Calkins road. The Men's Club/Gaines & Byron churches have already started raising money toward this project.

Adjournment

Motion Neal, *second* Alexander to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.

Unanimous Voice Vote: All Ayes - ***Motion declared carried***

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicky Sandlin, Clerk