

The Council for the Village of Hillman met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 7 p.m. in the evening in the east-end conference room of the Hillman Community Center at 24220 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hillman, Michigan. Present: President Dave Hornbacher, Clerk/Treasurer Brenda South. Trustees: Thomas Bouchey, Johnathon Smith, Velma Brown. Absent: Stephen Orlandi. Employees: Jan McMurray and Dave Post. Visitors: Deputy Miles, Daryl Peterson, Charles Arbour.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Hornbacher.

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Bouchey to approve the agenda as presented. Yeas: Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Brown to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2022, Council meeting as written. Yeas: Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and supported by Trustee Bouchey to pay the bills and additional bills with checks numbered 35416 through 35454. Yeas: Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

Deputy Miles did not have anything to report however Trustee Bouchey had a complaint of a 4-wheeler that has not muffler being rode behind his house on Caring Street every evening, it is loud and annoying. Deputy Miles said she will alert the other patrol officers to watch for this 4-wheeler.

President Hornbacher brought up the issue of the 2nd Street culvert, Manager Dave Post gave the report on what will have to be done on the matter. It was discovered after lengthy conversations with several individuals at EGLE that a permit will be required to replace or repair the culvert. It will require a cross section of the bank, bed, length and depth of roadbed, in the end an engineer will be required to do this work for a permit. Manager Dave Post suggested hiring Huron Engineering to do the work needed.

A motion was made by President Hornbacher and supported by Trustee Brown to hire Huron Engineering to do the work for a permit the Second Street culvert. All in favor. Motion carried.

Manager Dave Post continued reporting that the hot water heater had been installed at the Brush Creek Mill as requested before VJ Day festivities. Recycling Company notified the Village that the cost will double to \$250 per dump of the trailer and an addition \$25 per dump for administration fees. Total cost may exceed \$24,000 per year, this is the Village share. It was suggested that Manager Dave Post contact Hillman Township, who shares the cost, and see what their plans are whether to continue this service.

Manager Dave Post reported a meeting with Bob London (EGLE) on August 30th to discuss a water filtration plant, or other options. Density testing needs to be done on the compaction at the lagoons, they should have been there today to do it. Scodellar was here last weekend and did some cracksealing on Village streets, they are not done and will return to finish. A local builder had some questions about setbacks for building, he has purchased a lot in Orchard Pines and will begin building a house soon. St. Augustines will be host their 125th Anniversary event on August 28th and have asked to borrow some barricades from the Village.

Clerk/Treasurer Brenda South reported a complaint about loose boards on the bridge that crosses Brush Creek behind the Senior Citizens building. The DPW will check it out and make the necessary repairs. The tape recorder used to tape Council meetings is no longer working, Council agreed to go ahead and purchase a new recorder.

President Hornbacher reported the airport meeting went well with all hangar owners present for the inspection with the exception one who lives downstate, however, one of the hangar owners had his key and the inspection was done to satisfaction. New railings and a door on the terminal building will be done soon, the spraying for weeds did no good, there are stems growing in the cracks in the runway. Cracksealing may take care of this problem. The roof on the terminal building will need to be replaced soon.

Trustee Smith reported that the park has been busy and the internet is now working. **Manager Dave Post** reported that he had talked with Chris Hardies from Hardies Electric, about the pocket park lights, it is probably a GFI outlet, he will check it out and hopefully get them fixed. All weeding was done at the pocket parks, they look good. The Brush Creek Mill contacted the Village about “civic” items that are not historical and asked if the village wants them. Manager Dave Post will check out the stuff to see what there is. There is a situation with the sidewalk on the north side of the building that needs addressing, water freezes and causes a hazard. **Daryl Peterson** complained about chlorine in the water and

noticed the power plant building swaying with the wind, it is being torn down. **Manager Dave Post** asked the Council if they were still interested in upgrading the playground at Emerick Park, they all agreed to go ahead and look at getting funding/grants for purchasing new equipment. There was a good crowd at the bandshell for the concert Saturday evening as well as the fireworks display, about 400 people. There will be 3 more concerts for the season.

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Brown to adjourn the meeting. Yeas: Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Dave Hornbacher, President

Brenda South, Clerk/Treasurer