

VILLAGE OF SARANAC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 14, 2021

The Saranac Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order by President Darby at 7:00 p.m. at the Saranac Village Office, 27 N Bridge Street.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: President Darby, DPW Simmons; Trustees – Doll, Simmons, Whorley
Absent: Klutman, Mulnix, Ricket, Straubel
Guests: None

Motion was made by Whorley, supported by Doll, to approve the Regular Agenda. All yeas.

Public Comments – None.

Law Enforcement Report

Council reviewed Ionia County Sheriff Office stats for Village of Saranac patrol for the month of May 2021. Deputy Irvin did not submit an Incident Report, as she is on medical leave.

Motion was made by Simmons, supported by Whorley, to accept the minutes of the May 10, 2021 Regular Meeting and the May 24, 2021 Special Meeting. All yeas.

Motion was made by Simmons, supported by Whorley, to accept the Treasurer's Report of May 31, 2021. All yeas.

Various Accounts Payable items were reviewed and questions answered.

Motion was made by Doll, supported by Whorley, to approve the Accounts Payable of June 14, 2021, in the amount of \$72,288.43.

Roll call vote: yeas – Doll, Simmons, Whorley, Darby; nays – none; absent – Klutman, Mulnix, Ricket.

Zoning Administrator Report

The Zoning Administrator's Report of Services for May 2021 was reviewed.

Council members discussed the topic of items for sale and/or displayed on the sidewalk in front of a business on Bridge Street. Per Jeanne Vandersloot, Zoning Administrator, the sidewalk ordinance only allows one sandwich board sign. Due to the fact that three council members are absent tonight, members present concurred to review the ordinance and discuss it at next month's meeting when more than four voting members are present.

Planning Commission Report

Council members received a copy of the minutes from the Planning Commission's June 2nd meeting, at which commission members reviewed supplemental information on an application for Special Use Permit submitted by Malcolm Culmer, to operate an adult use marijuana establishment at 75 N Bridge Street. At the conclusion of the meeting, commission members concurred that the SUP application is complete and a Public Hearing date will be set for June 23, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Committee Reports

Budget – No report.

Public Safety

Fire Chief Simmons mentioned that the Lucas machine was recently utilized in a rescue situation.

Parks & Recreation – No report.

Streets – No report.

Buildings & Grounds – No report.

Water & Sewer – No report.

Personnel

Darby reported that there were six applicants for the two open positions of DPW/Firefighter. Positions were offered to Brendon Lake and Michael Darby who both accepted, and started June 7th.

Public Comments – No report.

Additional Business

Darby shared ICEA's request for a financial investment from the Village in the amount of \$750.

Motion was made by Darby, supported by Whorley, to contribute \$500 to ICEA for 2021.
Roll call vote: yeas – Doll, Simmons, Whorley, Darby; nays – none; absent – Klutman, Mulnix, Ricket.

DPW Simmons wanted council to be aware of the fact that the one-ton truck will need all new tires soon, at an approximate cost of \$1,200.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Chris Simmons, Trustee