

The Council for the Village of Hillman met in regular session on Tuesday, May 17, 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: Stephen Orlandi, Tom Bouchey, Johnathon Smith. Absent: Velma Brown. Employees: Jan McMurray and Dave Post. Visitors: Judy Nichols, Daryl Peterson, Charlie Arbour, Yvonne Swagger, Deputy Arnett.

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 Orlandi and supported by Trustee Bouchey to approve the agenda as presented. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Orlandi and supported by Trustee Smith to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2022, Council meeting as written. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed and a motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Orlandi to pay the bills and additional bills with checks numbered 35194 through 35238. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

Deputy Arnett did not have anything to report but did take some input about 4-wheelers traveling on Village streets, one was particularly loud without a muffler, the deputy stated that they had a complaint about that the night before. **Daryl Peterson** a visitor, thanked the deputy and other's who volunteered to help in the forest fire last weekend. President Hornbacher, who is also the fire chief, and his crew worked the fire as well.

President Hornbacher reported that the water committee had visited Manistique on Monday to tour their water filtration plant. This community is about 10 times larger than ours' and their system is quite impressive. They pull water out of the river and then use ozone to treat the water. This municipality has a 1million gallon storage tank, as compared to Hillmans' storage tank that holds 100,000 gallons.

Manager Dave Post reported that he had attended the MML Liability and Property Pool Annual Meeting in Pittsburg, PA last week. There was some interesting stuff presented regarding liability and litigation with advocacy being the direction the pool will go in. Doing the homework, getting a good explanation of facts and then advocate. There was a good presentation on law enforcement and liability as well. Some of the cases involved use of a body cam for better clarification of exact events that led to eventually resolving the questions the crime and what happened. There was a presentation on cyber theft/hacking of a municipality and the affects it had on all aspects of daily work in that municipality. There will be a planning commission meeting on May 23rd to hear comments on a Special Use Permit request for a private school in a Residential neighborhood. There is a Northeast Michigan 2022 Waste Event provided for by a grant from EGLE. The public is invited to participate in this event by disposing of electronic devices, keyboards, monitors, printers, scanners, cell phones, cables/wires/cords, stereo equipment and low-grade electronic devices. Fees for recycling items are: Cathode Ray Tubes (CRT) Monitors \$5, All televisions \$5.

President Hornbacher reported that he had received a letter of request from the VFW for \$1000 for the VJ Day fireworks display, it was reported that the Village has contributed \$500 in the past. There was a quote presented for a trailer to haul the mower out to the airport for mowing, the DPW usually ride the mower out there. The quote was for \$2895 but had little details. more information will be needed, this will be tabled until next meeting. The Lions Club have asked about using the bandshell on Saturday on Labor Day weekend for a yard sale, the Council agreed to allow them to use the bandshell for their sale. A meeting with the hangar owners at the airport was held on Wednesday, May 4th, several asked for a handrail to be put up at the terminal building. The remarking of the runway and cracksealing was another issue, Manager Dave Post has put in a request about this. Round-up should be done soon, a riding mower is needed and also rolling the dirt runway, could be done with the tractor, Mark does not want to do it with his truck again. The terminal building door frame needs to be replaced it is rotten at the bottom. There is an individual interested in having a hangar at the airport, also the telephone is still not working at the airport, although Frontier did come out and look at the situation.

Trustee Johnathon Smith reported that he has been cutting grass at the park it is growing fast, flowers will be planted by Monday, and weeding will be done at the entrance signs and pocket parks, next week. **President Hornbacher** reported that there has been no update on the status of the fire truck, but he has a meeting on the 23rd hopefully he will get details/prints on the truck that was ordered. Lights are

still out at one pocket park. **Manager Dave Post** reported receiving a letter from EGLE regarding work at the lagoons, they are requiring more work do be done, as submitted by the Village this is a maintenance job, not a complete overhaul. EGLE requires an answer by June 20th, they want geofabric installed, this will be done over a period of time, in phases, not doing this right away.

Charlie Arbor commented that the culvert by Dollar General does not belong to the County, and it does not belong to the Village. It is a private drive, and the culvert needs to be repaired. **Manager Dave Post** stated that he had called Allband about the internet service at Emerick Park, they will get back with us next week.

A motion was made by Trustee Orlandi and supported by Trustee Bouchey to adjourn the meeting. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher, Absent: Brown. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Dave Hornbacher, President

Brenda South, Clerk/Treasurer