

The Council for the Village of Hillman met in regular session on Tuesday, September 20, 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: Tom Bouchey, Stephen Orlandi, Velma Brown, Johnathon Smith. Manager Dave Post, Secretary/Bookkeeper Jan McMurray. Visitors: Charles Arbour, Montmorency County Road Commission, Daryl Peterson, Judy Nichols, Brush Creek Mill, Deputy Arnett (Montmorency County Sheriff's Office, James Patchacowski.

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 Brown to approve the agenda as presented. Yeas: Brown, Smith, Bouchey, Orlandi. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Brown and supported by Trustee Smith to accept the minutes of the September 6, 2022 Council meeting as written. Yeas: Brown, Smith, Bouchey, Orlandi. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Orlandi to pay the bills and additional bills with checks numbered 35484 through 35518. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

**President Hornbacher** presented Ordinance 2022-03 stating that the Planning Commission Board had met last night and after some discussion made the recommendation to not send the Ordinance for passage, as it is written, to the Council for passage. The Planning Board had issues with changing the zoning on South State Street from B-1 to B-2. **Manager Dave Post** explained that the Redevelopment Ready Communities portion of the Ordinance can be passed by the Council, according to Denise Cline, the zoning map and zoning chart could be denied, and the rest of the zoning changes can be made by the Council, overriding the Planning Board decision. **Mr. James Patczkowski** addressed the Council, he had requested the zoning change for South State Street so that he could assemble pallets at his Patchwood location. **Mr. Patczkowski** stated that he did not know there was a meeting of the Planning Board, Manager Dave Post said that he told Mr. Patczkowski about the meeting several weeks ago, and the meeting notice was

in the paper, on our website and posted on the Council chamber window. Mr. Patczkowski said he should have gotten a letter notifying him of the meeting so the he could attend and give the board details of his request. **President Hornbacher** stated that he had voted against the planning board's decision, didn't really want to go against the board but felt there was a better way to handle the issue. "I would prefer to issue a Special Use Permit for Manufacturing/Assembly of furniture, etc., then to change the zoning, if that is possible". After some discussion it was decided to table the issue to get details from Denise Cline and possibly rewrite Ordinance 2022-03 with the Redevelopment Ready Community changes and zoning map changes so that a complete ordinance is brought before the Council for passage, and then address the zoning change separately. The next planning commission board meeting is scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup> and the clerk will notify Mr. Patczkowski of the meeting by letter.

**A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Bouchey to table Ordinance 2022-03. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

**Deputy Arnett** did not have anything to report but several Council members thanked her for the departments efforts in stopping the 4 wheeler with the loud muffler, things are much quieter after their intervention.

**Manager Dave Post** reported that Title 6 report had been sent in. EGGLE notified the Village of more testing requirements which means more cost, due to the river influence of the wells. There will be a meeting for Emerick Park playground enhancement on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. Airport crack sealing was done however the edges of the runway and the taxiway or parking area did not get crack sealing done, this is something that should be budgeted for next year. Hillman Power structure is down but the company is still looking into solar power. **Manager Dave Post** directed the Council's attention to the Economic Loan Plan/Application he developed for façade improvements for businesses on main street. **Manager Dave Post** asked if the Council who they would like to review applications and give approval, the original HELP committee or the Council, the Council decided that the HELP committee should do this.

**A motion was made by Trustee Orlandi and supported by Trustee Bouchey to approve the Economic Loan Application and release of funds. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

**Secretary/Bookkeeper Jan McMurray** reported for the DPW, they have been working at the lagoons, and reading quarterly water meters.

**Trustee Velma Brown** reported that crack sealing company may be coming back next week to do the West side, painting of the runway and taxiway will be done next week. The handrail is up, the security light on the roof of the terminal building has been staying on, and the roof will need some shingles replaced before replacing of the entire roof next year. The next meeting with hangar owners will be held on November 2, at 6 p.m.

**Trustee Johnathon Smith** reported that park registrations have been going down, camping is slowing down. **Manager Dave Post** issued a zoning permit for a garage. A request for putting up a sign on Caring Street has been made but a site plan must be submitted first. Huron Engineering is getting information from EGLE regarding creek drainage, for the culvert replacement on Second Street.

**Trustee Stephen Orlandi** reported all lights are on, and the next fire board meeting is scheduled for September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Judy Nichols** reported Apple Fest at the Brush Creek Mill on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Halloween events are being planned. **President Hornbacher** set trick or treating hours for 5-7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Charlie Arbour** did not have anything other than to say work on County Road 451 has begun. The resurfacing will begin at the Village limits and go to Lister Road, north of town.

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

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Dave Hornbacher, President

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Brenda South, Clerk/Treasurer