

Village of Sand Lake  
Regular Council Meeting  
March 19, 2018

1. **Call to order:** The regular meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by President Tom Norton.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Roll Call:** Members present  
Nyha French  
Janice Dewey  
David Dewey  
Tom Norton  
Danielle Hardenburg  
Greg Wheeler  
Absent: Tonia Parkhurst (excused)
4. **Additions to agenda:** President Norton added Clerk position posting, J. Dewey added Committee appointment under new business of the agenda. J. Dewey made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, it was seconded by D. Dewey. AIF. Motion carried.
5. **Administrative report: Minutes:** D. Dewey stated that Line 12 "Paradise Cove" Ordinance Committee did not meet yet. D. Hardenburg made a motion to accept February minutes with the correction, it was seconded by J. Dewey. AIF. Motion carried.  
**Financial Statement:** D. Dewey made a motion to accept and file the Financial statement, it was seconded by J. Dewey. AIF. Motion carried.  
**Bills:** A question was asked about the Elections bill, it as coded wrong and needs to be fixed. We did not pay a bill pertaining to elections. D. Dewey made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of **\$41,059.90**. It was seconded by N. French. AIF. Motion carried.
6. **Public Comment:** Mr. Wesche commented that the Collins property is getting cleaned up.
7. **Police report:** The report was submitted in writing. There was a question about new hire Burnett. Is he out on road yet? J. Dewey made a motion to accept and file the police report for March, it was seconded by D. Dewey. AIF. Motion carried.
8. **Fire report:** The report was submitted in writing. Nelson Township donated a refrigerator. Meijer donated 150.00 to the department. N. French made a motion to accept and file the fire report, it was seconded by D. Dewey. AIF. Motion carried.
9. **DPW report:** The report was submitted in writing. There was a question about the electrical knick in underground line that Great Lakes needed to fix. G. Wheeler stated that the intersection of Oak and 5<sup>th</sup> needed attention. There was a discussion about DPW Supervisor's Dines salary. He works many hours of overtime but is paid a salary. It was suggested that Dine's should utilize his PT worker more efficiently. D. Dewey motioned to accept and file the March DPW report, it was seconded by G. Wheeler. AIF. Motion carried.
10. **Public Hearing for FY 2018-19 Budget:** President Norton opened the hearing for public comment. J. Dewey asked about the line item for \$600.00 for Assessor. She was concerned that as Village residents we pay twice for Assessor and Zoning Administrator. With no further comment, the Public Hearing was closed.
11. **New Business: A: Budget amendments:** The budget amendments were presented in writing. N. French made a motion to accept and file the budget amendments as written, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg. AIF. Motion carried.

**B: Tax Resolution: Resolution #2018-01 establishing village property tax rates for 2018 was submitted in writing. The Village of Sand Lake shall levy ad-valorem property taxes for the year of 2018 not to exceed as follows:**

Allocated Operating Millage	14.6261 mills
Street Improvement Debt	3.8035 mills
Total	18.4296 mills

**A roll call vote was taken:**

Wheeler	YES
Hardenburg	YES
D. Dewey	YES
J. Dewey	YES
French	YES
Norton	YES

**C: Annual Sewer Transfer:** Per USDA loan, the transfer will include: \$4750 into Bond Reserve and Sewer savings \$14,000 into Sewer Repair Replacement Improvement.

**Roll Call vote taken:**

Wheeler	YES
Hardenburg	YES
Norton	YES
D.Dewey	YES
J.Dewey	YES
French	YES

**D: Adoption of FY 2018-19 Budget:** President Norton stated that \$1500 from Police budget will go into Police Cruiser fund. D. Dewey made a motion to adopt budget as presented with amendment of police cruiser, it was seconded by Wheeler. AIF. Motion carried.

**E: Water Rate Study:** N. French updated the Council on the Water Study. It was suggested by Mike Engalls to increase water rates in order to meet the needs and repairs of the water system. French suggested we make an increase to balance the water fund. The increase should be 2% for water users. French made a motion to increase water rates by 2%. **Roll call vote taken:** 3.2%

D. Dewey	YES
J. Dewey	YES
French	YES
Norton	YES
Wheeler	YES
Hardenburg	YES

**F: GV Metro Council:** D. Dewey explained that Caledonia Township would like to join the GV Metro Council; in order to do this, each member must take a vote. D. Dewey made a motion to add Caledonia to the GV Metro Council, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg.

**Roll Call vote taken:**

Hardenburg	YES
Wheeler	YES
French	YES
D.Dewey	YES

J. Dewey        YES  
Norton           YES

**G: Fire Contracts:** D. Dewey made a motion to sign Fire Contracts with Ensley, Nelson and Pierson townships, it was seconded by J. Dewey. AIF. Motion carried.

**G: DPW Supervisor's phone:** Jerry's phone is outdated and not working properly. Verizon wants \$800.00 for a new phone and a new contract signed. President Norton suggested we switch to Cricket Service. N. French made a motion for Jerry to shop for a new phone, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg. AIF. Motion carried.

**H: Dine's vacation pay:** Jerry Dines would like to take the pay for his unused vacation and sick time. N. French made a motion to pay Dine's vacation pay, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg. AIF. Motion carried.

**I: Cemetery Bid:** N. French made a motion to accept the bid from Randy Heckman for cemetery maintenance, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg. AIF. Motion carried.

**J: Clerk's position:** N. French made a motion to post the open Clerk's position in the CS Post and Indeed.com, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg. AIF. Motion carried.

**K: Committee Appointments:** The committee memberships are needing to be updated. The following changes are proposed: to add Jan Dewey to the Fire Committee, add Danielle Hardenburg and Nyha French to the Ordinance committee, remove Tom Norton from the Ordinance Committee. Add Nyha French to the Parks and Rec Committee and remove Dave Dewey. N. French made a motion to accept the proposed changes to committees, it was seconded by D. Hardenburg. AIF. Motion carried.

**12. Committee reports: none**

**13. Trustee comments: none**

**14. N. French made a motion for adjournment, it was seconded by J. Dewey. AIF. Meeting adjourned at 9:12pm**

Respectfully submitted by:

Kristi DeKraker  
Clerk