

*Italics = amended item*

**VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING  
Regular Council Meeting – January 5, 2015**

The meeting was called to order, in the Village Council Chambers, by President Alexander Khoury at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Beers, Larry Heider, Samantha Hunt, Alexander Khoury, Kathy Manary, Brandy Slocum.

Absent:

Others: Randy Edler, Linda Engelhardt, Sami Khoury, Jessica Risky, Marcus Sting, Traci Weisenbach

Motion by Heider seconded by Slocum to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Manary seconded by Heider to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2014 regular council meeting as presented.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Public Comment**

Sami Khoury, Huron County Commissioner, advised Huron County has established a wind energy moratorium until the current wind ordinance is revised.

**Committee Reports**

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Beers provided updates from the Light & Water committee meeting including the plan for a ribbon cutting ceremony for our first internet "Gigabit Customer"; splitting the former LMS property into 3 parcels: the Light & Water substation, the existing building, and the remaining property; the seasonal tree trimming plan is for line clearance as a priority; the utility bill collection process will not include payment plans in lieu of placing the delinquent utilities on the taxes; and the hiring of a lineman apprentice.

Motion by Heider seconded by Beers to send an invitation to Governor Snyder and local elected officials for our official ribbon cutting as Michigan's first "Gigabit Customer" in the first "Gigabit Village" with the date to be determined based on the availability of the officials.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Hunt seconded by Slocum to hire Andrew Irion as a full time employee for Sebewaing Light & Water as a lineman apprentice effective January 5, 2015.  
Heider: yea, Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Beers: yea; Khoury: yea. 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.  
MOTION CARRIED.

B. Police Committee

Trustee Heider reported there is a meeting next week.

President Khoury provided updated meeting times for both the Police Committee at 7:00 p.m. and the DPW Committee at 6:00 p.m. They shall continue to be held on the second Monday each month.

### C. DPW Committee

Trustee Manary advised there is a meeting next week. Also provided were updates from the Special DPW Committee meeting held earlier today concerning the letter of resignation received from DPW laborer Andrew Irion, the approved DPW Laborer job description, the consensus to advertise for the position, and the public hearing required for the park related grant application.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Hunt to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Andrew Irion from the DPW Department effective January 5, 2015.

Slocum: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea, Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Khoury: yea. 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Heider seconded by Manary to set the public hearing on February 2, 2015 at 7:15 PM for community input concerning the reconstruction of the Main Park Restroom as it relates to the Michigan Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant Application.

Beers: yea; Heider: yea, Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Khoury: yea. 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.  
MOTION CARRIED.

### D. Ordinance Committee

Trustee Manary reported there is nothing new at this time.

### E. Budget Committee

President Khoury reported there is nothing new at this time.

### F. Office Administration Committee

Trustee Heider reported on the probationary status of the part-time administrative assistant.

Motion by Heider seconded by Slocum to remove part-time administrative assistant Megan Tietz from probationary status effective January 5, 2015.

Hunt: yea; Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea, Khoury: yea. 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.  
MOTION CARRIED.

### G. Insurance Committee

President Khoury reported there is nothing new at this time.

### H. Trash/Recycling Committee

Trustee Slocum reported there is nothing new at this time.

### I. Employee Relations Committee

Trustee Hunt reported there is nothing new at this time.

## **Old Business**

Concerning the former LMS Property, Superintendent McCoy is working with Carl Osentoski to have an environmental assessment completed on the site.

Trustee Heider presented information concerning the proposed Bay Shore Camp and DNR land exchange.

Motion by Heider seconded by Slocum to send a letter to the DNR stating the Sebewaing Village Council is against the Miller Street Bay Shore Camp and DNR land exchange.

Manary: yea; Slocum: yea; Beers: yea; Heider: yea; Hunt: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Slocum seconded by Heider to recess the regular council meeting at 7:21 p.m. for the purpose of interviewing for the vacant Village Trustee Position the candidates Randy Edler, Jessica Risky, and Marcus Sting.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Beers seconded by Slocum to reopen the regular council meeting at 8:16 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion concerning the candidates. A paper vote was taken; the results were counted and verified with the most votes going to Marcus Sting.

Motion by Heider seconded by Hunt to appoint Marcus Sting to fill the two year Trustee vacancy until the 2016 general election.

MOTION CARRIED.

*A revote by roll call for the trustee appointment was done at the January 19, 2015 Regular Council Meeting to bring us in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.*

Motion by Heider seconded by Manary to adjourn the regular council meeting at 8:22 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED.

Alexander Khoury  
President, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll  
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing