

**VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING**  
**Regular Council Meeting – June 5, 2017**

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

Present: Matthew Cummings, Marcus Deering, Larry Heider, Alexander Khoury, Brandy Slocum, Marcus Sting

Absent:

Others: John Bonke, Linda Engelhardt, Julie Epperson, Sami Khoury, Melanie McCoy, Pete Smith, Megan Tietz, Dave Wiltse.

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

Motion by Sting seconded by Cummings to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 regular council meeting as presented.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Public Comment**

A resident inquired about who is responsible to maintain the fence on the south side of the Sebewaing River just east of the downtown bridge. The resident was advised to contact the Huron County Drain Commissioner. Additional discussion regarding overgrown vegetation in the same area; Trustee Heider will share this information with the Department of Public Works Superintendent.

Sami Khoury, Huron County Commissioner, provided updates on county activity.

**Committee Reports**

A. Light & Water Committee

Trustee Sting provided updates on departmental activity including a new electrical service in the Main Park for the Huron Dairy Farmers concession stand, an update on the filter plant at Well #4, the Washington Street water main replacement which is scheduled to begin June 19, 2017, the replacement of multiple telephone poles over the next few years, a Used Electric Pole Policy, a Notice of Intent Resolution, and a Freedom of Information Act Request.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Cummings to adopt the Used Electric Pole Policy as follows:  
"The Village of Sebewaing authorizes the Sebewaing Light & Water Department to sell used electric poles providing each purchaser completes a pole release (Hold Harmless Agreement) prior to delivery. The used electric poles will be sold at a cost to be set by the Village Council with the initial rate of \$.35 per foot."

Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Resolved by Sting seconded by Deering to approve a Notice of Intent to Bond as part of the engine development project as presented.

Deering: yea; Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Sting to deny the Freedom of Information Act request from Michigan Cat per the Michigan Energy Employment Act of 1976; PA 448 of 1976, Section 460.833a (1) (a) Records, books, documents, and papers of a joint agency or a municipal electric utility system, including those maintained electronically, may be exempted from public disclosure by the board or commissioners of the joint agency or the governing body of the municipal electric utility system if any of the following apply: a. They contain specific pricing or other confidential or proprietary information.

Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

**B. Police Committee**

Trustee Slocum reported there is a meeting next week

**C. DPW Committee**

Trustee Heider reported the Main Park Restroom Building is almost completed.

**D. Budget Committee**

Trustee Sting reported there is nothing new at this time.

**E. Building/Grounds Committee**

Trustee Slocum reported there is nothing new at this time.

**F. Employee Relations Committee**

Trustee Sting reported there is nothing new at this time.

**G. Insurance Committee**

Trustee Cummings reported there is nothing new at this time.

**H. Office Administration Committee**

Trustee Deering reported there is nothing new at this time.

**I. Ordinance Committee**

Trustee Heider reported there is nothing new at this time.

**J. Trash/Recycling Committee**

Trustee Slocum reminded residents to secure their trash.

**Unfinished Business**

Regarding the former LMS property, Trustee Heider reported there is nothing new at this time.

Discussion regarding the Trustee Vacancy

Motion by Cummings seconded by Heider to appoint Julie Epperson to fulfill the remaining trustee term which ends November 2018 effective immediately.

Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Heider: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion regarding the revised fence permit at 704 E. Pine Street.

Motion by Heider seconded by Deering to approve the revised fence permit at 704 E. Pine Street.

Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

### **New Business**

Several zoning permits were discussed.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Cummings to approve the accessory building permit at 480 Ninth Street.

Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Cummings seconded by Slocum to approve the permit for the demolition of a garage at 17 Union Street.

Deering: yea; Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Slocum seconded by Deering to approve the permit for a sign at 651 S. Unionville Road.

Heider: yea; Slocum: yea; Sting: yea; Cummings: yea; Deering: yea; Khoury: yea.  
6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent. MOTION CARRIED.

### **Council Comment**

Trustee Slocum shared details regarding the summer Meet Up and Eat Up free lunch program offered Monday through Thursday for children at the Unionville Sebewaing Area High School, the Village of Sebewaing Main Park, and the Bayside Estates Trailer Park from June 19 through August 10, 2017.

Discussion regarding council members touring the Coldwater engine plant. A tentative date of Wednesday, June 28, 2017 was set.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Slocum seconded by Cummings to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:46 p.m.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Alexander Khoury  
President, Village of Sebewaing

Lois Kroll  
Clerk, Village of Sebewaing