

VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA
COUNCIL MEETING
August 1, 2016

The regular meeting of the Westphalia Village Council was called to order by President Dean Kohagen at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance given to the flag.

Council Member, Attendance: Steve Miller Phil Smith Dean Kohagen, President
 Dave Boswell Nort Upson, Pres. Pro-Tem
 Tim Fandel Kevin Krzeminski Sandy Smith, Absent

Guests, Present: Jim Bierstetel, DPW Supervisor

Minutes & Agenda: Member Upson made the motion, supported by Member Krzeminski to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2016 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Water: Hydrants were flushed last week.

Financial: Motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of July for all funds was made by Member Fandel. Member Krzeminski seconded. Due to new regulations, the Villages' auditing firm, Abraham & Gaffney, has requested the Village hire an independent third party to review and confirm that their audit is complete and not missing any required disclosures. The village is working on securing an individual to help with this request.

Building & Zoning: Member Boswell presented Zoning Permit 2016-12, Nathan Thelen, 314 Windward Drive, storage shed. Permit does not meet rear yard setback requirement and there are also concerns about impeding the flow of a waterway in that area. Member Boswell made a motion to deny Zoning Permit 2016-12 supported by Nort Upson. Motion carried. Member Boswell presented Zoning Permit 2016-13, Don Smith, 118 W. Maple Drive. New primary structure does not meet rear yard setback requirement. Member Boswell made a motion to deny Zoning Permit 2016-13 supported by Tim Fandel, Motion carried.

Streets: The idea of consulting with an engineering firm on a potential downtown business district project to bury some powerlines, new lighting, asphalt, and sidewalks was discussed. President Kohagen will do some further checking.

Planning Commission: The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2016.

Community Service: The Michigan Vietnam Veteran Traveling Memorial will be passing through Westphalia on September 16th at 11:30. See the President's Message for more information. The Historical Society is planning an Octoberfest for Saturday October 1st.

Parks & Recreation: Sale and harvesting of the mature timber in the wooded area by the lagoons is nearly complete.

Next Council Meeting: September 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Moved by Member Smith supported by Member Boswell. Motion carried.