VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA
COUNCIL MEETING
October 7, 2019

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

Guests: Alex Hanses, DPW
Bruce Pindzia, Fleis & Vandenbrink
Dan Spitzley, Deputy

Minutes & Agenda: Member Upson made the motion, supported by Member Fandel to approve the agenda and the minutes of the September 3, 2019 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Guests: Deputy Dan Spitzley shared with the Council the Sheriff's report for June, July, and August. There has been no new information on the street signs that have been stolen. Discussion followed. Bruce Pindzia of Fleis & Vandenbrink gave an update on the SAW grant project. We are currently at the midway point of the three-year project. In the near future the village staff will be trained on GIS mapping programs.

Water/Sewer: The Michigan Rural Water Association will be doing a water/sewer rate study within the next few months. Depending on the findings of the study, rates may need to be adjusted. The Council also hopes to gather input from Michigan Rural Water on how the Village should proceed with the issue of delinquent water/sewer accounts. Developing a consistent procedure for handling delinquent accounts will be the goal.

Financial: A motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of September for all funds was made by Member Fandel, supported by Member Krzeminski. Clerk Smith presented the annual fund assessments figures. It was suggested to only make the transfers from the Water and Sewer Funds and not Street Funds in the likelihood that street projects may be worked on in the near future. Member Krzeminski made a motion seconded by Member Upson to approve the assessment transfers from both Water and Sewer into the General Fund.

Building & Zoning: Planning Commission is working on updating parts of the Village Ordinances, specifically as it relates to pool fencing.

Streets: Council continued discussions regarding the feasibility of undertaking Phase II of the Downtown Improvement Project, which is the first block of East Main Street, possibly in the fall of 2020. President Kohagen is currently waiting on a cost estimate from Consumers Energy for their portion of this potential project. Discussion followed.

Community Services: Halloween curfew was set for 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission: The next meeting is November 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Next Council Meeting: November 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

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

HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREATING HOURS 5:30PM-7:30PM