

VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
*January 6, 2020*

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

**Guests:** Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner

**Minutes & Agenda:** Member Krzeminski made the motion, supported by Member Fandel to approve the agenda and the minutes of the December 2, 2019 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**Guests:** Clinton County Commissioner Dave Pohl updated the Council on a number of issues at the County level.

**Water/Sewer:** Clerk Smith reported that starting with the water/sewer/trash bill sent in November 2019, residents should be able to pay online. Please see the Village website at [www.westphaliainmi.com](http://www.westphaliainmi.com), click on the Online Bill Pay link and enter your information. Clerk Smith, DPW Supervisor Miller and President Kohagen are meeting with Mike Engels of Michigan Rural Water to conduct an evaluation of the current water/sewer rates in relation to potential future infrastructure maintenance and replacement needs. The Village will continue to be proactive in preparing for future expenses. While there has not been any water/sewer rate increases in the last 8 years, please be aware that an increase will likely be necessary the near future.

**Financial:** A motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of December for all funds was made by Member Fandel, supported by Member Smith. Motion carried.

**Building & Zoning:** Member Boswell presented and made a motion to approve Zoning permit 20-001 Joe and Danielle Stoddard, 207 E. Oak St, addition. Permit complies with zoning at this time. Member Miller seconded. Motion carried.

**Streets:** DPW Supervisor Steve Miller presented estimated cost for asphaltting Elm Street/North of St Mary School and Vidua Circle. It is anticipated that asphaltting at these two locations will take place during the summer of 2020.

**Administration Issues:** The Employee Compensation budget was worked on and discussed in great detail. Member Krzeminski made a motion to approve the Employee Compensation Budget. Member Boswell seconded. Motion carried.

**Planning Commission:** The Planning Commission is working on reviewing the Zoning Ordinance for any updates or changes that need to take place. The next meeting is February 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**Next Council Meeting:** February 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

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