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**VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT**

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2025**

**5:00PM**

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Vanderstelt at 5:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call – Council present: Jeff Guiles, Chris LeFaive, Bill Overkamp, Carl Rothenberger, and Roger Vanderstelt.

Staff present: Amy Haack, Clerk; Ann LaCroix, Treasurer; and Jake Griffis, DPW Supervisor.

Public Present: Karen DuPont, 2434 Vig Drive; and Randy Jackson, 5090 Pontaluna Road.

1. Consent Agenda – The consent agenda includes the approval of February 17, 2025 Council Meeting Agenda, approval of January 20, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes, and Payment of Bills. Motion by Rothenberger and supported by Guiles to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Overkamp, Rothenberger, and Vanderstelt. No: none. Motion carried.
2. Public Comment – No public comment was made.
3. Staff Reports – Clerk: Reported the 5-Year Recreation Plan submitted to the MDNR in January has been approved which keeps the Village eligible to apply and receive MDNR grant funding. Clerk is working on MDNR grant application for new park property improvements. Clerk also reminded council of upcoming budget meetings on March 11 and 24. Treasurer: Reported working on budget, W2s are complete, and working on organizing files in upstairs storage area. DPW supervisor reported flashing light at three-way stop at 3rd/Apple/148th is now in operation, new truck grates have been installed, etc.
4. Reports from Officers – LeFaive reported the Planning Commission at its meeting on February 11, 2025 approved site plan for Oddside Ales to be located at 50 Park Street and also the relocation of the existing 5/3rd Bank ATM that will remain on site. Overkamp reported library board chairperson is working on offering a list of dates for availability to meet with Village Council, etc. about library building in Pomona Park. Vanderstelt reported infrastructure updates and an upcoming vacation absence.
5. Movie Nights in Pomona Park – Motion by Rothenberger and seconded by Guiles to allow Karen DuPont on behalf of Fruitport Schools Bands to utilize Pomona Park on August 15 for a fundraiser movie night for the school band. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
6. Old Fashioned Days 5K Race– Motion by Rothenberger and seconded by Guiles to allow Randy Jackson to have a 5K race that begins and ends in the Village according to the route on the presented map. Jackson stated he is working with the Fruitport Lions Club on this race activity. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
7. Dancing into the Sunset Sponsorship – Motion by LeFaive and seconded by Rothenberger to offer Tier 3 ($1,500) sponsorship for the 2025 Dancing Season from the Village’s allocation of municipal Muskegon County Senior Resources Millage. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
8. Mower– Motion by Rothenberger and seconded by Overkamp to purchase mower and needed accessories from Woodland Equipment in an amount not to exceed $18,000 (General Fund). Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
9. Snow Blower – Motion by Rothenberger and seconded by Guiles to purchase snow blower from Pell’s Farm Lawn Construction in an amount not to exceed $5,000 (General Fund). Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
10. Items to Auction– Motion by Rothenberger and seconded by Guiles to auction 1445 John Deere, mow deck, snowblower, and power broom at a minimum bid set at $7,000. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
11. Boat Launch Annual Permit Rates for 2025 Season – Motion by Vanderstelt and seconded by Rothenberger to set the rates at $10 for daily permit, $50 for season permit, and $125 for commercial permit. Roll call vote – Yes: Guiles, LeFaive, Rothenberger, Overkamp, and Vanderstelt. Motion carried.
12. Boat Launch Gate – After discussion it was decided to monitor progress of this year’s sales at kiosk and revisit the gate system if needed next year.
13. Public Comment – No public comment was made.
14. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Amy Haack, Clerk