## VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS March 1, 2021

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday March 1, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were in attendance: President Phillips, Treasurer Mahalak, Clerk Somers and Council Members; Healy, Schick, Somers, Putsky and Wambold. The minutes of the February meeting were approved on a motion from Putsky with support from Somers. The Treasurer's report was approved subject to audit on a motion from Schick with support from Somers. The amendments to the budget were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Somers. Budget hearing is going to be held on March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Putsky with support from Somers. Carried. Mahalak asked about the rules of order for guests who attend the meetings. A motion was made by Wambold to adopt a measure that would limit the time to 3 minutes for guests who attend the meetings. It may be extended at the boards discretion. Motion carried. No one applied for the vacancy that is on the Council. Attorney Cook advised that we should talk to a prior candidate to see if he is genuinely interested in the position still. President Phillips will report back at the next meeting after talking to him. A discussion was held regarding holding the Council Meetings via Zoom for a while yet. We cannot social distance at the hall so President Phillips suggested that we continue doing the meetings on Zoom. A motion was made by Healy with support from Putsky to continue the meetings for the Village Council via Zoom.

The Parks and Recreation report was given. Dale Job is getting ready to take care of the slats once the weather improves. Bottles and cans are still being collected for a Pavilion. A report was given for Troy Somers, Zoning Administrator. Mike Serafin fire chief gave his report. There were 9 medical runs and 8 fire runs which included lift assists (6) and 2 actual fires during the month of February. A training exercise was held on February 15<sup>th</sup> for 6 members of the group. President Phillips thanked Eric Bates for his help during the recent storms. He helped with snow removal on the sidewalks. Dale Job gave the Maintenance report. The dump truck is currently in Oscoda for repairs. There are some hydraulic leaks that need to be fixed. Additionally, the front end loader needs new seals. He has built a wood working bench that can be useful for using the router to make slats at the playground. The Road Commission are allowing us to use a truck if necessary until our truck is repaired. Putsky stated that everything is operating well in the Sewer system. President Phillips sent her report including the road report and her

regular monthly President's report. President Phillips has agreed to be the representative for the Village through NEMCOG.

Billings have been mailed out for the 4 Townships that we serve on the Fire Department and First Responders. A lengthy discussion followed. The Traverse Bay Road project is coming up soon. A motion was made by Healy with support from Somers to allow President Phillips to sign the necessary papers for this project. Teresa Hart is checking with the Health Department regarding the Easter Egg Hunt for the Village. If it is at all possible to do it and keep everyone safe she will go ahead and do it. Mahalak stated that Ron Stout asked about extending the lawn mowing contract for the Village by 1 year. It would save us \$100 per cut. A motion to adjourn was made by Schick with support from Healy. Carried.

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