



VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE
Council Meeting
305 W. Elizabeth Street, Room #112
January 4, 2018 at 7:00pm
APPROVED Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by President Hollenbeck at 7:00 pm.

a. **Roll Call:**

PRESENT: President Robert Hollenbeck
Trustee Frederick Cattell
Trustee Patrick Harden
Trustee Richard Mullins
Trustee Molly Howlett
Trustee Carmelita Valdez-Weaks

ABSENT: Trustee Christina DuWig

Others Present:

Debbie Nogle, Village Clerk
Johnnie Torres, Police Chief
John Gormley, Village Attorney
Citizens were also present

b. **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Hollenbeck led the pledge of allegiance.

c) **Approval of Agenda**

MOTION by Howlett, SUPPORTED by Mullins to approve the January 4, 2018 agenda as amended to add Blight to unfinished business.
Motion carried with unanimous ayes.

d) **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION by Howlett, SUPPORTED by Harden to approve the minutes of December 4, 2017 as amended; to fix the sentence to be more understandable regarding Blight.
Motion carried with unanimous ayes.

2. **Public Comment**

Tom Wallace discussed his disappointment of blight and unlicensed vehicles in the village. Wallace requested the village start enforcing the blight ordinance.

3. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

a. **Accounts Payable**

MOTION by Howlett SUPPORTED by Cattell, to approve the accounts payable as presented by Clerk Nogle in the amount of \$61,691.90.
AYES:, Howlett, Mullins, Valdez-Weaks, Cattell, Harden, Hollenbeck
NAYS: None
ABSENT: DuWig
MOTION PASSED



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4. **NEW BUSINESS**

2018 Village Council Dates

MOTION by Howlett, SUPPORTED by Cattell to approve the 2018 Village Council Dates as amended.

Motion carried with unanimous ayes.

Temp Office Position

MOTION by Howlett, SUPPORTED by Valdez-Weaks, APPROVED; to eliminate the temporary position on February 28, 2018.

Motion carried with unanimous ayes.

Parks and Recreation Plan

Howlett discussed the joint Parks and Recreation Plan Masterplan between the Village of Stockbridge and Township. The Ingham County Tax Mileage funded over \$800,000 for communities to assist in funding for Lakeland Trail Improvements.

Color Copier Office Machine

MOTION by Howlett SUPPORTED by Cattell, APPROVED; to authorize the Village resident to enter into a lease for a color copier in the village offices.

AYES:, Mullins, Valdez-Weaks, Howlett, Harden, Cattell, Hollenbeck

NAYS: None

ABSENT: DuWig

MOTION PASSED

Dan Cabage updated the council on the SAW grant and the condition of the Lift Station.

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Water and Sewer Ordinance

MOTION by Mullins SUPPORTED by Harden, to approve the Ordinance to amend Chapter 34, Article 2, Water System and Article 3 Sewer System.

AYES:, Mullins, Valdez-Weaks, Harden

NAYS: Howlett, Cattell, Hollenbeck

ABSENT: DuWig

MOTION FAILED

MOTION by Cattell, SUPPORTED by Valdez-Weaks to table the Ordinance to amend Chapter 34, Article 2, Water System and Article 3 Sewer System.

Motion carried with unanimous ayes.



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Municipal Civil Infraction Ordinance

MOTION by Mullins SUPPORTED by Harden, to approve the Ordinance to amend Article 1, Section 1-6(c)(5) of the Village of Stockbridge Municipal Code.

AYES:, Cattell, Harden, Mullins, Valdez-Weeks, Howlett, Hollenbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: DuWig

MOTION PASSED

Owens Property

Village President Hollenbeck advised the council Owens Property is on the Foreclosure list of properties and to help save monies, the village can purchase the property directly from the Ingham County Land Bank without paying attorney costs.

Blight

Howlett discussed her article that she wrote in the Stockbridge Community Newspaper so that people would be educated about the blight ordinance. Howlett will continue to write articles highlighting the enforcement of blight in the village. A committee will be beneficial to assist the office. Hollenbeck informed the council that the village will be getting a dumpster as done in the past due. Hollenbeck would like to wait until after April to allow for the snow to melt.

6. Public Comment

Mills discussed the water and sewer ordinance as well as blight.

7. Council Member Comments

Hollenbeck would like to have a special meeting to discuss priorities of projects for the upcoming budget and to hire a part-time police officer.

8. Attorney Comments

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Cattell, SUPPORTED by Harden, APPROVED to adjourn the Council Meeting at 9:10pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Debbie Nogle, Village Clerk