

**Hopkins Village Council Regular Council Meeting  
Monday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 2023**

President VanderWall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Pledge of Allegiance

**Roll Call** Williams, Kennedy, Vander Wall, Alberda, Osborn, Mullett, Adams, Sebright  
**ABSENT** Buist - **Guests-** Jon Stafford, Eric Alberda, Bob Larr, Rachelle Smit

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Adams moved, Williams supported, CARRIED, to approve the agenda of Oct 9th, 2023.,

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Williams moved, Sebright supported, CARRIED to approve the minutes of Sept 11th, 2023, regular meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Sebright moved, Williams supported, CARRIED to approve the bills from Aug15<sup>th</sup>2023 to Oct 9th, 2023.

**4. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

Adams moved, Osborn supported CARRIED to approve the August and September 2023 financial reports.

**5. REPORTS**

Library- Adams reported the library is managing their money into CD's.

Fireboard- Osborn reported the fireboard meeting is next week.

Planning Commission – VanderWall reported that the work is still ongoing.

DDA- Had no meeting.

**6. Public Comment-None**

**Old Business**

**A. Road Work & ARPA Funds Update**

All road work is completed. The ARPA funds have been used up with that work.

**B. North Park Update**

No report

**C. Animal Control Ordinance Update**

The lawyers are working on the ordinance.

**D. Roof Damage Update**

Trustee Sebright has been in contact with the contractors and work should be starting in Oct.

**E. Police Gun Update**

No update. President VanderWall is working on disposal.

**F. Blight Letters**

A lot of residents that received blight letters are taking care of the blight issues. President VanderWall will be checking on the remaining issues and contacting PCI if the problems have not been resolved.

**G. Hall Work**

Construction work on the hall is on schedule. Builders are holding a meeting on Oct 10<sup>th</sup>.

**H. Truck Sale Update**

The old village dump truck has been sold. Clerk Alberda will be giving the title to Jon Stafford. The sale price is 3000.00.

**7. Maintenance Report**

Jon Stafford gave his maintenance report. Report has been filed.

Jon will also be working on a replacement schedule for all the vehicles and equipment.

DPW will also be looking into repairing the drain on North St.

**8. Public Comment**

House Representative Rachele Smit was present and gave her report on what has been happening in Lansing.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

**A. Veterans Memorial Discussion**

Resident Bob Larr presented a proposal for an addition to the memorial area. The council gave Larr permission to move forward with the work.

**B. Franklin Street One-Way discussion**

The council talked about the possibility of changing Franklin St. to a one-way street and decided to move forward with making this happen. Legalities will be checked on.

**C. Personnel Committee Reviews and Recommendations**

President VanderWall reported that the personnel committee talked with both DPW employees. No problems were found, and COLA raises per contract will be granted.

Around the table

Time was given for the council to make comments.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Adams moved, Mullett supported, CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 pm.