

**Hopkins Village Council Regular Council Meeting
Monday Sept 12th, 2022**

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

Roll Call Williams, Kennedy, Sebright, Vander Wall, Alberda, Osborn, Swainston, Buist, Adams
ABSENT - None **Guests**- Isabell Harmsen, Jon Stafford, Eric Alberda, Helen Bishop, Harrison Boink, Bob Genetski

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Buist moved, Sebright supported, CARRIED, to approve the agenda of Sept 12th, 2022, with the addition of 620 West Main and Russo's Parking

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Buist moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED to approve the minutes of Aug 8th, 2022, regular meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Osborn moved, Kennedy supported, CARRIED to approve the bills from Aug 9th, 2022, to Sept 12th, 2022.

4. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Sebright moved, Adams supported CARRIED to approve the Aug 2022 financial report.

5. REPORTS

Library- Osborn reported the library is looking to change insurance companies

DDA- Buist reported the DDA will help pay for the sidewalk work on Cherry and Main St.

Planning Commission – VanderWall reported that kickoff for the Planning Commission will be Sept 27th, 2022

6. Public Comment-

Isabell Harmsen made comments about a neighbor burning trash late at night.

Old Business

A. PCI Fees

Continued work with PCI on fees

B. Blight Enforcement Procedure

More follow up on a couple of residents.

C. South Loop Road

Council made a decision on how the road work will be paid for.

7. Maintenance Report

Jon Stafford gave his maintenance report.

8. Public Comment

Alleghan County Clerk Bob Genetski gave the county clerks report.

NEW BUSINESS –

A. Cade Bolser

Sebright moved, Buist supported, CARRIED to approve the hiring of Cade Bolser as an on-call employee for the DPW to be used for snow plowing if needed.

B. Treasurer Position

The Village did not get anyone to run for this position in the upcoming election. Trustee Kennedy said she would be willing to be nominated for the position in November.

C. Library Board Rep

Kennedy moved, Buist supported, CARRIED to approve Sam Adams as a library representative for the Village of Hopkins.

D. Sign Damage

A street sign was damaged by a vehicle on Lincoln St. The DPW witnessed this and will be checking with the Sheriff's Department on this.

E. Malone Property

Kennedy moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED to have President VanderWall send a letter of response to the Malones in response to their concern of the street drain on Clark St.

F. Parking Issue North St. / Water St.

A resident on north st has been parking his semi on the street, President VanderWall will contact them about this issue.

A letter of complaint was read on the issue of no parking signs place in the road right a way on Water St. President VanderWall will follow up on this also.

G. Police Department

The Village of Hopkins has not had a working police department since July 1st, 2017.

Sebright moved, Buist supported, CARRIED to officially abandoned the Village of Hopkins Police Department and all police issues will be carried out by the Allegan County Sheriff's Department.

H. 620 West Main St.

Kayla Sheldon needs of officially get and address for 620 West Main St. PCI will take care of This issue

K. Russo's Parking

Joe Russo asked about the possibility of having angle parking in front of his restaurant on Main St. The council discuss this and did not think this would be possible. Trustee Williams will be checking into this.

Around the table

Time was given for council to make comments

ADJOURNMENT. Buist moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm.