

Morley Village Regular Council Meeting

MINUTES

189 S Cass St (Village Hall)

May 10, 2021

APPROVED MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: at 7:00 PM by President Petersen

Present: Henry Petersen, President; Paul Block, Trustee; Sandra Leal, Trustee; Serine Petersen, Trustee; Nicholas Drost, Trustee; Terry Stilson, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer and Julie Berry, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk.

Absent: Linda Kizer, Trustee; and Robert Jusino, Trustee.

Guests: Jared Christensen (Police), Walt Dosch (maintenance), and Janet Dosch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC MATTERS AND COMMENTS: None.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Block motioned to accept the consent agenda, as presented, and Drost supported the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Roll call vote: Yes – H. Petersen, Block, Leal, S. Petersen, Drost.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police:

- Christensen reported that officer Metcalf has resigned and will leave it up to the Council on whether another officer should be hired. He has been approached by a retired officer who is interested.
- Christensen will begin giving citations to the waste hauler and residents who have been obtaining the service from a hauler that is not Republic. Stilson has sent letters to them.
 - Stilson replied that Dosch has said only two residents have not complied – they are both on Scott Street and she has emailed those addresses to Christensen.
 - S. Petersen stated that the person living next to her is filling the alley behind their house with junk. Christensen will check it out.

Administration & Finance:

- **Village of Morley Policy & Procedure Handbook – S. Petersen motioned to accept the changes in the Handbook with Block’s support. Motion passed unanimously.**

Roll call vote: Yes – H. Petersen, Block, Leal, S. Petersen, Drost.

Those changes are:

- Page 2, Section 2.1 “The Village Council shall be comprised of six (6) trustees and a Village President. Three (3) Village trustees shall be elected at each biennial Village election for the term of four (4) years. *Appointed trustees will run at the next biennial election and then will serve the remaining years in the appointed position.* The Village President is elected for two years.”
- Page 2, Section 2.3 Add the following sentence to the end of the paragraph: “*Appointed trustees will fill a specific vacancy and will need to run at the next biennial election.*”
- Page 6, Under Millpond & Dam: change “statue to statute”.
- Page 13 Add “Section 6:10 Signatures on Bank Account Authorized signatures for bank accounts are the President, President Pro Tem, Clerk and Treasurer.”
- **Amish Shopping Guide** – Stilson reported that Gordon Galloway has recently published an Amish Shopping Guide and she feels it may be of interest to people coming into the Village Hall. They cost \$2 each and monies would go to Galloway. **Consensus of the Council was to allow her to sell them in the Village Hall.**

- **Payroll Policy** – H. Petersen directed Stilson to call other villages to get their payroll policies and then set up a workshop to discuss and draft a Village of Morley payroll policy. Those volunteering to be on the committee to draft a policy were Stilson, Drost, Block, H. Petersen and S. Petersen.
- **Popup Vaccination Clinic** – Stilson was contacted by the Health Department to conduct a popup vaccination clinic at the Gazebo and H. Petersen consented. Stilson has left messages but has not received the information about date and time.

Police, Fire & Rescue:

- **Hiring another officer** – H. Petersen stated that he would like to have a break from hiring right now and just concentrate on traffic control. The courts are backed up right now.
 - Stilson stated that most of her complaints have been about blight and other ordinance violations. If violators had multiple tickets this should be a better indicator of violations when the courts can hear them. She added that perhaps the Council could specify priorities and the hours allowed for these things.
 - Dosch stated that maybe the Council could talk with the policeman Christensen mentioned.
 - H. Petersen will talk with Christensen about this person and perhaps bring him to the next Council meeting.

Streets & Sidewalk:

- **Cass & First Streets** – H. Petersen stated that there is an application for a driveway permit at this location and he has some concerns about the location. He has discussed this with MDOT and Stilson has left a message with EGLE. He stated that he does not want to do the wrong thing.
- **Street Sweeping** – A street sweeper has been rented and Dosch will clean the streets that will be chipsealed this summer.
- **Refuse Service Enforcement** – discussed earlier.

Events & Festivals:

- Leal stated that Kizer will be conducting a craft class every month at the Community Center.
- Stilson stated that she has emailed Dana but has not heard about COP. She is also assuming the Memorial Day Parade will still be conducted.

Millpond & Dam: None.

Parks & Recreation:

- H. Petersen reported that the trash can at Kinney Park has been misused by people depositing their household garbage there. The trash can has been temporarily removed.

Building, Grounds, Equipment & Employees: None.

Health & Safety: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Survey of Municipal Grounds** – H. Petersen stated this has almost been completed and posts will be installed at the corners.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: H. Petersen adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Stilson, Village of Morley Clerk