

**Village of Ravenna  
2022 Regular Meeting Minutes  
December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Village Council was called to order by Clerk Emily Carrigan with the pledge of allegiance at 7:01 PM at the Village of Ravenna meeting room at 12090 Crockery Creek Drive.

Members Present: Shari Luce, Steve Dodson, Kent Boersema, and Gordy Plescher

Members Absent: Steve Dohm

Staff present: Geoff Nelson and Emily Carrigan

Public present: Steve Dohm (via zoom), Mike Pierson with The Ravenna Independent, Kelly Robinson, and Ken Patterson Sr.

**Boersema** moved **Luce** supported to appoint Steve Dohm as President and Gordy Plescher as President Pro-Term. Motion Carried 3/0; Dodson Abstained

**Plescher** moved **Dodson** supported to approve the November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion Carried 4/0

**Dodson** moved **Plescher** supported to approve the December 6<sup>th</sup> Agenda as amended (Move Resolution #2022-16-12 to Zoning Board of Appeals Decision on Application). Motion Carried 4/0

**Public Comment:** Kelly Robinson asked permission to use the south softball field on Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for travel softball training purposes. Council approved the request.

**Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing:**

ZA Boersema presented the zoning application and determination for denial and reviewed the application for appeal.

Public Comment: Steve Dohm commented on proposed lot size with respect to the zoning ordinance.

**Plescher** moved **Luce** supported to adopt Resolution #2022-16-12 Resolution Granting Lot Split Application for 3721 Center St

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Plescher, Luce, Dodson. Nays; None. Abstained: Boersema. Absent: Dohm Motion carried 3/0

Resolution #2022-16-12 declared adopted.

**Business Office Report:** Clerk Carrigan reported she was getting ready for the new year along with filing the CVTRS report. **Plescher** moved **Luce** supported to continue the same Merit Bonus as last year. \$100 gift card to Ravenna Foods for full time employees and Office staff and \$50 gift cards from Ravenna Foods for seasonal workers. Motion carried 4/0

**DPW Report:** DPW Manager Geoff Nelson reported Consumers hit an old line while trying to replace the power pole on Main St and Stafford St. Mastec has been working on putting fiber optic lines in for Frontier. The DPW did some plowing last month and had their DOT inspections done. The final treated sewage discharge was completed with the next one in spring. Nelson is working on online classes to renew his license. Broken stop sign by Lake Michigan Credit Union will be replaced in the spring.

**Budget Public Hearing**

The Budget for fiscal year 2023 was presented by Dohm and reviewed the by council. The millage rate for the budget is 9.0

Public Comment: None

**Plescher** moved **Dodson** supported to adopt Resolution #2022-17-12. Resolution to Adopt the Budget and Establish Ad Valorem Property Taxes for Fiscal Year 2023.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Plescher, Boersma, Dodson, Luce. Nays; None. Absent: Dohm Motion carried 4/0

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** DDA information Meeting 2 was held concurrent with this meeting

**Plescher** moved **Dodson** supported to allow Clerk to sign the lease with Kraft Printing systems as long as there is not a fee to cancel before the 60 Month lease is up. Motion carried 4/0.

**Annual Renewals and Committees:** **Luce** moved **Plescher** supported to replace Marsman with Dodson on Parks and Finance committees. Motion carried 4/0

**Luce** moved with support by **Plescher** to pay the bills as presented. Motion Carried 4/0

**Misc.:** None **Newsletter:** Next newsletter will be sent out in January.

**Luce** moved and **Plescher** seconded to go into closed session for the purposes of discussion employee reviews at 8:07PM motion carried 4/0.

Returned to Open Session at 8:37 PM.

**Luce** moved **Plescher** supported to increase all full-time employees and office staff wages by \$1.25 an hour and increase summer help wages to \$13.00 an hour. Motion carried 4/0

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Carrigan, Clerk