

VILLAGE OF KALEVA COUNCIL MEETING

21 FEBRUARY 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: K. Somsel, E. Dufresne, D. Nye, R. Schafer, J. McKinley, D. Grossnickle, K. Weaver, J. Schafer

Absent: D. Howes

Visitors: W. Beldo, L. Beldo, M. Hamilton(DPW), S. Kaskinen, K. Mleck, I. Neerken

Call to order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to allow M. Hamilton to brief council so he can be released because of incoming weather. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by R. Schafer, motion carried. Permission for him to buy new lumber for show bench to be placed in community center.

J. McKinley showed council pictures of neighbors building with roof falling in and metal hanging over edge. It was recommended that he forward pictures to D. Cummings, Zoning.

Previous Council Meeting Minutes, motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by J. McKinley. Motion carried.

Review Financial statement, motion made by J. McKinley, seconded by D. Grossnickle. D. Grossnickle asked if the financial could be emailed and printed copy at meetings. J. McKinley and D. Grossnickle request both, rest of board would prefer getting by email. Motion carried.

Reserved time:

S. Kaskinen submitted sales contract that stated free water for life. There has been no authorization found in any records that support this. She stated that they shouldn't have to pay water, especially back water bill from 6 years. After discussion it was agreed by all that she is responsible from October 2021 and forward. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Grossnickle. Motion carried.

L. Beldo presented the Arts and Craft show agenda including car show. Will village provide trash cans, barriers for roads? They are looking for more food trucks, bake sales. E. Dufresne offered to run the village wide garage sale. Several

businesses asked for larger stack of maps. Looking for someone to take charge of baseball games. Board presented with estimate for banners to hang from light posts. Board approved purchase. Old contact with art gallery provided. Motion made to update and renew with 5 year renewal made by E. Dufresne, seconded by J. McKinley. Rent will remain \$50.00 per month. Permission given to open wall to extend. Motion carried.

K. Mleck presented recommendations for Bids opened on 8 February 2022. Bid 1 to Gerber Construction from Reed city. There was much discussion about increased costs and reduced scope of project. Resolution to tentatively award a construction contract for Water system improvement. Roll Call taken

E. Dufresne - yes
D. Nye - yes
R. Schafer - yes

D. Grossnickle - no
J. McKinley - no

Absent: D. Howes

Motion Carried.

Bid 2 to Robert T. Cole, Inc from Cadillac. Discussion related to having to replace well 2. EGLE standards is 70 year lifespan for a well, so well 2 would have to be replaced in 8 years with unknown increase in costs. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Nye to accept recommendations contingent on USDA approval. 3 yes, 2 no, Motion carried.

Motion made to approve reduction in scope made by R. Schafer, seconded by E. Dufresne. 3-yes 2-no. Motion carried.

Unreserved time: W. Beldo briefed council relating to Joint Planning and Joint Master Plan. The committees continue to be unable to make headway. W. Beldo asked for an estimate to contract it out. Network Northwest would charge \$15,000.00 to complete. Maple Grove Township is willing to share cost so this can finally be resolved. This would complete the needs for a master plan and Zoning. The Master Plan must be updated every 5 years. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Grossnickle to pay \$7500. 4- yes, 1- no. Motion carried.

Reports: Fire: Quiet

Streets: Sanded to help combat ice

DPW: conversation about MDOT standards

Water: R. Schafer attended class for continuing education. M. Hamilton unable to attend because of weather. Need to have back up with CDL so he can attend in

future. D. Nye offered, J. McKinley opposes. D. Nye asked about safety reports and maintenance reports. J. McKinley became upset over questioning and left meeting.

Paperwork for testing request for water was submitted.

Park: Consumers Energy is in process of completing plan to provide more electrical sites.

Zoning: No report

Planning Commission: E. Dufresne discussed 3 grants available, including 2 that would benefit DNR and one for new equipment. She will present to board next month.

Correspondence: Audit results provided.

Motion to Adjourn made by E. Dufresne, Seconded by D. Grossnickle. Motion carried.


Karen Dufresne
Village Clerk