

VILLAGE OF KALEVA COUNCIL MEETING

18 SEPTEMBER, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: D. Holtz, J. McKinley, L. Beldo, K. Weaver, D. Howes, R. Schafer, T. Covell, K. Dufresne

Absent: D. Grossnickle

Visitors: K. Mehl, T. Putney, J. Schafer, A. Kuuttilla, R. Tatro, M. Rowlson, S. Potts, J. Stanclift, W. Beldo, Anthony from Thirbys

Review and approval of August meeting minutes. Motion made by J. McKinley, seconded by D. Howes. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Financials. Budget meeting from August motion made to approve by R. Schafer, seconded by J. McKinley. Motion carried.

Reserved Time: Draw was presented to council by K. Dufresne since K. Mleck is on vacation. Total draw for August is \$61,514.13. Motion made by J. McKinley, seconded by L. Beldo. Motion carried.

K. Mehl presented grant application. Motion to allow Manistee County Recreation Commission to submit the grant application for an ADA-compliant bathroom facility and trailhead with parking area on behalf of the Village of Kaleva to Manistee County Community Foundation not to exceed the amount of \$78,100 based on Quote received from Fleis and Vanenbrink + 10% contingency) by the October 2nd, 2023, deadline and to provide match funding not to exceed 15% match of grant amount submitted.
Roll call:

D. Holtz - aye
L. Beldo - aye

J. McKinley - aye
D. Howes - aye

R. Schafer - aye
T. Covell - aye

Absent - D. Grossnickle

Motion carried.

J. McKinley/Anthony talked about Halloween. Anthony(Thirbys) would like to have party in Park and trick or treating. Best time would be 28 Oct since Halloween falls on Tuesday. The community Center will be hosting a small meal for kids after on Halloween. Village hours for trick or treating will be from 5-7. Anthony may use pavillian in park on the 28th.

Unreserved time: M. Rawlson asking for update on place next door to his house. 2 letters have been sent. Next step is the lawyer.

T. Putnam presented pictures of the property next to him. The home has been a problem before. W. Beldo will look into it further.

R. Tatro was asking for board clarification for abandonment of Pine St in October 2019. Land needs to be surveyed at owners expense. Cost of Deed would also fall to owner.

W. Beldo discussed with council his continued efforts with M. Omar and next step will involve the lawyer. Council want this pursued.

The question was presented to W. Beldo about county taking over zoning? County is looking to hire new zoning manager.

Reports: Fire- a article was presented to J. McKinley to build a hose rack. He estimated \$295 to build. Motion made to approve by J. McKinley, second by T. Covell. Motion carried.

Streets- paving is done.

DPW- J. McKinley and M. Hamilton will decide which power receptacles need replacing this year.

Water - 29 people refused meters in house. So they will be going into meter pits. New well should be going online but that will mean and increase in testing. In 2024 we will need 10 lead/copper tests. We are still waiting on new pumps but electrical and gas are in.

Park - Reservation system is running but there seems to be problem getting it used. Many people are asking about paying on line. We will be working on this in the new year. There are some people in park who aren't paying nor are helping in park in exchange for nonpayment. This will be looked into.

Planning - There was some discussion about housing shortage in the area. 1 October there will be zoning at county level to help zone new communities.

Old Business - Discussion about change to DPW Employment Rules. T. Dore and J. Hawkins would be considered part time employees so no longer entitled to benefits except the \$140 a year for safety shoes. Motion to approve new Rules made by J. McKinley, seconded by T. Covell. Motion carried.

Possible sale of property in industrial. There has been no response.

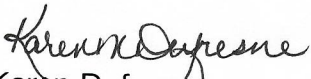
New Business - Time of year to have furnaces serviced. Ok from council to continue.

It is becoming harder to contact M. Hamilton. Can we add him to Verison. Will call to do so.

MiDeal information for new truck provided. Discussion about type and additions. More information will be provided as needed.

New sidewalk in front of Post Office needs to be scheduled. Ok by council.

Motion made by J. McKinley to adjourn, seconded by T. Covell. Motion carried.


Karen Dufresne
Village Clerk