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**OXFORD VILLAGE COUNCIL
BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

Village Council Members: Lori Bourgeau, Kelsey Cooke, Maureen Helmuth, Allison Kemp, Ashley Ross


22 West Burdick Street
Oxford, MI 48371

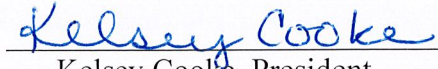
March 30, 2021

6:30 pm

- 1.) **CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Kelsey Cooke called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
- 2.) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** With Moment of Silence.
- 3.) **ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE:** Members Present: Cooke, Kemp, Bourgeau, Ross & Helmuth.
Staff Present: Village Manager Joseph Madore.
- 4.) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** March 30, 2021.
MOTION: by Helmuth/Kemp to approve the March 30, 2021 meeting agenda. All in favor.
Motion adopted.
- 5.) **CALL TO PUBLIC:** No comments.
- 6.) **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Budget Workshop:** Village Manager Madore went through the General fund and both road funds and explained how all the revenues are derived and how expenses are categorized. Topics touched on were:
 - 1.) Labor costs and how those are allocated throughout the various funds, road funding and the rules of Act 51 of 1951 governing those expenditures.
 - 2.) Grant opportunities for labor and equipment for LCR work in the Village and how those mandated activities will direct much of the spending in the water fund and to some degree the road funds over the next 20 years. The LCR's require us to address any Lead or previous Lead connections to water service leads so that brought up a lot of discussion about water rates and the large amount of work required due to LCR's and that rates will need to be increased to pay for that work.
 - 3.) The Oakland County LRIP was discussed and how it is directed to roads that improve economic development and would not be able to be used on the W. end of Park Street. Road repair funding options and bonding versus pay-as-you-go was discussed. Hudson Street was discussed as a viable option to use the LRIP funds in this upcoming grant cycle that will address LCR issues, watermain reconnect at Burdick and Hudson as well as some storm drain issues related to Hudson Street.
 - 4.) The Police department including personnel staffing and equipment needs over the next year was discussed. The State Live scan cost of \$18,000 and floor repair quotes were also discussed.
 - 5.) Part-time seasonal help for DPW was discussed. Need to offer higher wages this year in order to get applicants.
 - 6.) The topic of addressing the current tax rate in comparison to the maximum rate allowed was discussed and whether the Council will want to override, or push back the continued reduction in the rate to maintain the current headroom between what is charged (10.62 mils) and what can be charged. Staff will investigate options for Council consideration.
- 7.) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- 8.) **MANAGER, STAFF, & ATTORNEY REPORTS:** Manager Madore will look into asphalt

- 47 pricing that was included in Park Street estimate by Rowe.
48 9.) **COUNCIL COMMENTS:** Council person Helmuth would like Chief Solwold to give a written
49 opinion of removing the stop sign on Pontiac at Park Street,
50 10.) **ADJOURNMENT:**
51 **MOTION:** by Helmuth/Ross to adjourn at 9:19 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.
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54 Respectfully Submitted,
55 Joseph M. Madore, Village Manager
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Kelsey Cooke, President