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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday February 16, 2021, a public hearing was held to obtain the views of the citizens concerning community development and housing needs, as required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. At this time the Public Hearing will be conducted as an online meeting through a ZOOM weblink:

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Please refer to the Village of Romeo's website, www.villageofromeo.org, for further log-in information or any meeting updates.

The Village of Romeo will be receiving \$2,500.00 in Community Development Block Grant funds for FY 2021 from the Macomb "Urban County" program.

Federal guidelines require that maximum priority be given to activities which primarily benefit low-or-moderate-income families or which aid in the prevention of elimination of slums or blight. A variety of projects are eligible for community funding. These include:

Property acquisition
Code Enforcement
Housing Rehabilitation
Planning and Administration

Handicapped Barrier Removal
Rehabilitation of Buildings
Public Services

Public Facilities
Public Infrastructure
Homebuyer Assistance

Presentations were heard by:

Dorie Vazquez Nolan – Carehouse

Tina Vang – Turning Point

Rick Rosenburg – Samaritan House

Scott Andrews – Interfaith Caregivers

Board of Trustees Meeting
MINUTES

Date: February 16, 2021

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Location: 361 Morton Street, Romeo, MI 48065

ZOOM MEETING

Present: Bartholomew
Edwards
Fowler
Hart
Parker
Poznanski
President Malzahn

1. Call to order – pledge of allegiance. President Malzahn opened the meeting at 7:20 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes – January 19, 2021
MOTION by Bartholomew second by Edwards to the approve the minutes with one edit, President Malzahn was a NO vote for the motion of taking a break in the middle of the meeting.
AYES: Bartholomew, Edwards, Poznanski, Parker, Hart, Fowler, Malzahn
NAYS: None
Motion carried.
3. Approval of Bills
MOTION by Bartholomew second by Poznanski to approve the bills in the amounts of \$24,846.49 and \$151,598.93
AYES: Bartholomew, Poznanski, Parker, Edwards, Hart, Malzahn
NAYS: Fowler
Motion carried.
4. Approval of Agenda
MOTION by Poznanski second by Edwards to approve the agenda with the addition of 2 items under New Business: h.) Marihuana Business License and i.) President Pro Tempe
AYES: Poznanski, Edwards, Hart, Malzahn, Parker, Bartholomew
NAYS: Fowler
Motion carried.
5. Special Presentations – CDBG Fund Requestors were heard during the Public Hearing
6. Correspondences – One letter was recognized
7. Public Forum – Agenda Items Only
8. Officer reports
 - a. President –
The DDA announced that the DIA has chosen the Village Hall and the Village Park as locations for 2 of the artwork images to be located in the village for the 2021 DIA Inside/Out program.

The EGLE permit has been obtained so that the work can begin on Well #5.

Bruce Township and the Village of Romeo have agreed upon and arranged for our joint Community Paper Shred and Electronics Recycling day. We have chosen Saturday May 1, 2021. And it will be held at the Romeo Parks and Rec Center – 361 Morton Street in the front parking lot area. This area should be large enough to accommodate both vendors and our Bruce/Romeo residents for this drive thru recycling date. Priority Waste is the point of contact for the Electronics portion of the event and we will be providing a link and more information on what and what not can be dropped off that day.

US Congresswoman Lisa McClain and a member of her staff visited the Village Hall on January 26th. She is very interested and dedicated to ensuring that regular interaction between our residents and elected leaders is shared so that her office in Washington DC understands and can offer assistance when possible to what is going on in our community. We discussed the Ford Engine Plant in particular.

Romeo's annexation request for Mr. Zachowski's Armada Township parcels is tentatively scheduled for March 18th for the Macomb County Commissioners full board meeting / public hearing. If anyone is interested in attending please let me know and I will get you the meeting link info when it becomes available.

- b. Clerk - Applications are open for Marijuana Business Licenses. Masks are still available at the Village office. DPW wanted me to pass along a reminder that when shoveling your driveway and sidewalks please do not put the snow in the street.

- c. Treasurer –
Enclosed Packet is the Annual Information Statement from Bendzinski & Co. Municipal Finance Advisors on 2014 Refunding Bond. Earliest Bond can be refinanced or additional paid toward principal is October 1, 2023. 2010 General Judgement Bond paid in 2020.
Funds currently are not earning any interest in bank and all funds. Options available are long term and currently we are not seeking any investments until the rates increase.
Point & Pay online payment processing report generated from the beginning January 20, 2020 – February 9, 2021 is \$4100.00 in fee revenue.

- d. Trustees –
Trustee Hart attended the Tree Board meeting on February 12, 2021. Gypsy Moth spraying was discussed.
Trustee Poznanski is 6 classes into her Zoning Administrator program. Listened to a Marijuana seminar. Taking a 2-day course from MML at the end of the month. Trustee talk still cannot meet in person. The talk will be online.
Trustee Parker thank the Romeo DPW for the great job plowing snow that morning.
- e. Ex-Officio Planning Commission Member – Had the Planning Commission review of 2020. Reappointed the Board members. Discussed concern about trash in the DDA area. Reviewed the registration for Inspection for Rental Properties and the Blight Ordinance.

9. Committee Reports –

- a. Sidewalk Committee – *No report*

10. Unfinished business:

- a. Rules of Procedure

MOTION by Bartholomew second by Edwards to adopt the Rules of Procedure as amended from February 16, 2021 with the inclusion of clarification under “Discussion and Voting”

AYES: Bartholomew, Edwards, Malzahn, Hart

NAYS: Fowler, Poznanski, Parker

Motion carried.

11. New Business:

a. CDBG Fund Allocations

MOTION by Bartholomew second by Parker to approve the CDBG Fund Allocations as presented:

CDBG Funds Granted	\$2500.00
CHORE	\$300.00
MCREST	\$1008.75
Samaritan House	\$313.75
Care House	\$513.75
Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers	\$50.00
Turning Point	\$313.75
Total:	\$2500.00

AYES: Bartholomew, Parker, Hart, Poznanski, Edwards, Fowler, Malzahn

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

b. Younger's Special Event Permit

MOTION by Parker second by Hart to approve the Special Events Permit of Younger's Irish Tavern for March 17, 2021 as presented

AYES: Parker, Hart, Poznanski, Bartholomew, Fowler, Edwards, Malzahn

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

c. Municode Ordinance Books

MOTION by Hart second by Bartholomew to be allowed to request Municode supplements to be printed as needed.

AYES: Hart, Bartholomew, Fowler, Poznanski, Edwards, Parker, Malzahn

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

d. Goals and Objectives/Budget Meeting – Discussion was held.

e. Rental Inspection Ordinance

MOTION by Poznanski second by Malzahn to table the discussion of the Rental Inspection Ordinance pending further review

AYES: Poznanski, Malzahn, Bartholomew, Edwards, Fowler, Hart, Parker

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

f. Blight Ordinance

MOTION by Parker second by Fowler to table the discussion of the Blight Ordinance until further review

AYES: Parker, Fowler, Poznanski, Hart, Edwards, Bartholomew, Malzahn

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

g. Budget Amendments

MOTION by Hart second by Bartholomew to approve the Budget Amendments as presented

AYES: Hart, Bartholomew, Malzahn, Edwards, Poznanski

NAYS: Fowler, Parker

Motion carried.

h. Marihuana Business License

Discussion was held by the board.

i. President Pro – Tempe

Discussion for appointment of President Pro-Tempe. To be placed on next month's meeting agenda.

12. Public Comments –

Trustee Poznanski commented about publishing in the local paper.

Trustee Parker commented on an email he received.

Steve Dumont commented about

13. Adjournment

MOTION by Fowler second by Bartholomew to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

AYES: Fowler, Bartholomew, Edwards, Malzahn, Poznanski, Hart, Parker

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Trapp, Village Clerk