

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK COUNCIL MEETING
ASSEMBLY ROOM
JULY 12, 2018
9:30 A.M.

Vice Mayor Weedman presided over the July 12, 2018, council meeting at 9:30 a.m. Those present in addition to Vice Mayor Weedman, were Council Members Brown, Gooch, Jamerson and Posey, Village Clerk Parker, and Village Administrator Christie. Mayor Staton and Council Member Dockendorf were not present.

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Weedman led the group in a moment of silent meditation. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL/CHANGES

Vice Mayor Weedman removed the *June 19, 2018 – Special Council Meeting Minutes – N. Highland Lake Road Improvement Project* from the *Consent Agenda*. Vice Mayor Weedman made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Posey. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Public Comments – Ms. Bay Chamberlain congratulated Council on the hiring of John Wilkerson as park ranger.

Council Member Gooch introduced John Wilkerson stating he will give the village a presence in the park, and will be working on several unfinished projects, doing maintenance, and planning for the remaining upcoming projects, including the tot lot, playground shelter, water line to gardens and future meadow, drinking fountain installation, and playground area. John stated he has lived in the Village for six years and appreciates the opportunity to work in the park.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda, which was approved by consensus, consisted of the following:

- April 13, 2018 – Special Council Meeting Minutes – N. Highland Lake Road Improvement Project
- June 4, 2018 – Agenda Workshop Minutes
- June 14, 2018 – Council Meeting Minutes
- Reappointment of Dennis Maloy and appointments of Jane Hollen and Bruce Holliday to Flat Rock Planning Board, each for a three-year term beginning August 13, 2018, and ending August 13, 2021
- FY 2017/2018 Discoveries and Releases
- FY 2017/2018 Tax Settlement

Special Reports

2. Administration – Village Administrator Christie

Administrator Christie thanked Council for giving her the opportunity to work with Judy Boleman before her departure. She then reviewed the June 2018 zoning report dated July 10, 2018, and the Village Administrator report dated July 10, 2018 (see attached reports).

3. Park Update – Council Member Gooch

Council Member Gooch turned the meeting over to John Wilkerson. John gave an update stating the park ranger office is currently being constructed with an expected completion in 2-3 weeks. The foundation for the playground shelter is currently being poured, and the drawings for the tot lot elements are expected next week. The plans for the meadow have been prepared, and Council Member Brown and Dunkin FitzSimons will meet with the landscape architect, Hunter Marks, this week to discuss implementation. The meadow area was mowed this week, and herbicide spraying in this area will begin within the next couple of weeks. Nature Center signs and storyboards are installed, but two remaining boards are to be written and manufactured in time for the dedication. The dedication date for the Nature Center has not yet been determined.

4. Foundation Update – Council Member Brown

Council Member Brown reported the Foundation's Feast & Frolic event is scheduled for August 4, 2018, at Kenmure Country Club, and the Foundation has obtained a total sponsorship of \$35,000.00 for the event.

She mentioned Virginia Speigner has started a fundraising event at the Wrinkled Egg for the park called "ditch the bag." She expects \$1,500 - \$2,000 will be raised by the end of the year, and the amount collected will be given to the Foundation.

Council Member Brown mentioned the Park Foundation is planning a photo contest on how people use the park. The contest will be judged, and the winner will receive a cash prize.

Council Member Brown reported at the Park Foundation's July 9, 2018, meeting, the board adopted the report and recommendation of its Nominating Committee. The Foundation board requests that Village Council appoint the following persons as new directors with effective terms of July 1, 2018: Louaine Leisching, Burton Richards, and Terry Stein. These individuals will replace retiring members James Kessararis, Judy Petersen, and Jan Egolf. Council Member Brown made a motion to appoint Louaine Leisching, Burton Richards, and Terry Stein for three-year terms beginning July 1, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gooch and carried on a unanimous vote.

Mr. Duncan Fraser, Chairman, presented and reviewed the Foundation's Statement of Financial Position dated June 30, 2018 (see attached report). The statement of Cash (Pledges) Donations Received Nine Months Ended June 30, 2018, will be emailed to Council at a later date.

Ms. Maureen Adams invited everyone to attend the fundraising Feast & Frolic event on August 4, 2018, at the Kenmure Country Club. Funds raised will be for the tot lot at the park.

5. Transportation Update – Council Member Dockendorf

In Council Member Dockendorf’s absence, no report was given.

Old Business

New Business

Other Business

6. Mayor – Council Reports

Council Member Posey mentioned the need of purchasing a freezer for the annual ice cream social, and a place to store the freezer. The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2018.

Council Member Brown mentioned she and Administrator Christie will start enforcing the sign control ordinance tomorrow, July 13, 2018, by pulling Cultural Landscape Group signs in the right of way, and citing property owners who have such noncompliant signs on their properties with notices of violation of the ordinance.

Council Member Brown mentioned a drinking fountain included in the budget will be installed at the playground. The Foundation has a prospective donor for an additional drinking fountain, which will be installed further into the park. The total cost of the additional fountain is approximately \$10,000.00, including shipping costs. Council Member Brown made a motion to approve the addition of a drinking fountain to the master plan, and to appropriate the \$10,000.00 cost, with the understanding that the Foundation will reimburse the village for \$5,000.00 of the cost. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jamerson and carried on a unanimous vote.

Adjournment

With no further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Michelle Parker, CMC
Village Clerk

Nick Weedman
Vice Mayor