

City of Petersburg
Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting
March 7, 2016 7:00 p.m.
Petersburg Municipal Building
24 E. Center Street
Petersburg, MI 49270

A Regular Meeting of the Council for the City of Petersburg was held on the above date.
The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor, James W. Holeman
Councilpersons present were Terri Bauer, Charles Bruckner, Rich Haller, Kevin Richards, and Joanne Tollison.
Absent: Lawrence Schadewald

Minutes of the last meeting were presented to Council in printed form as recorded.
Moved by Bruckner that the minutes of the previous meeting, 2/15/16, be approved.
Supported by Bruckner. Aye 6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Minutes of the special meeting were presented to Council in printed form as recorded.
Moved by Tollison that the minutes of the special meeting, 2/20/16, be approved.
Supported by Haller. Aye (5) Nay (1) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Moved by Tollison that the Council accept the resignation of John Straub from the Board of Review and he be replaced by Judith Jackson.
Supported by Bruckner. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Students Kyle Adkins and Zach Shaner inquired about building a ramp park for bikes. Discussed locations available in the City. Will need to speak to our attorney and MML. Students need to draw up a plan. This might be able to work with the "Safe Routes to School" program.

Discussed repaving of Railroad Street behind post office. Mayor to secure estimates. Once paved, signs would be needed to restrict semi traffic. Mayor to secure more bids on slurry sealing several streets.

Discussed Clerk's hours and decided to remain closed on Thursdays and the Clerk will work 9am-5pm Fridays with Fridays off as needed and previously approved. Office traffic will be tracked and hours revisited at a later date.

The City Charter needs to be rewritten but must be done by a Commission of 9 residents not currently serving on Council or other elected officials. Bauer has retyped the Charter into a Word document which needs to be proofread.

Richards reported that the "Safe Routes to School" grant is progressing with further paperwork to be completed.

Tollison reported that the Library will hold Farm Day with tractors, antique toys and ongoing crafts on April 30, 2016, 9am-4pm. Parking lot will need to be closed.

Mayor reported that there are still issues to be worked out at the Bulk Water plant but customers are being issued refunds for water not received.

Treasurer Goodin advised Council that Headlee rollbacks for 2015 taxes were calculated incorrectly per advice from the County Equalization Director, however the software company has worked with her to create a program to rectify this and apply minor refunds to 2016 tax bills.

Moved by Bauer that Council approve hiring former Clerk Lori Ivan at \$20 per hour to continue training Clerk Goodin as needed, not to exceed 20 hours per week and to be reviewed at next meeting. Supported by Tollison.
Aye (6) nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Moved by Tollison that Council adjourn at 8:18pm. Supported by Richards. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1)
Motion carried.

Guests: Kyle Adkins, Zach Shaner
Employees: Leanne Goodin, Trudy Goodin

Minutes submitted by: _____ Leanne G. Goodin, Clerk

Minutes approved by: _____ Mayor James W. Holeman