

## Village of Romeo

A Public Hearing was heard by the Village of Romeo Board of Trustees on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7:00pm, at the Romeo Community Center 361 Morton St. Romeo, MI. 48065. Purpose of Hearing was to hear comments oral or written on the views from citizens concerning community development and housing needs. As required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. The Village of Romeo will be receiving \$9,549.00 in the Community Development Block Grant Funds for the FY 2017 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 or elimination of slums or blight. A variety of projects are eligible for community development funds. Citizens residing in blight areas or lower-income persons are encouraged to participate.

### Comments:

Public Service Organizations Care House, Turning Point and Helping Hand Gift were present at the public hearing and spoke on behalf of their organization. Trustee Fowler spoke to Macomb County regarding the extra CDBG Funds and the allocations at a later date.

Regular Meeting followed Public Hearing.

Present: Trustee Bartholomew, Edwards, Fowler, Hart, Malzahn, Poznanski and Pres. Siglow.

Absent: None

Resolved by: Trustee Edwards, supported by Trustee Malzahn to approve Regular Meeting minutes for December 19, 2016

Yeas: All                      Nays: None

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Poznanski to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$11,315.84 and \$188,273.98.

Yeas: Trustee Bartholomew, Edwards Fowler, Hart, Malzahn, Poznanski, and Pres. Siglow

Nays: None

### Clerks Report:

Village Clerk/Admin. Lee informed the Village Council of the work with HRC regarding the SAW Grant which is on the agenda. Romeo Police Department and Dispatch will be introducing Smart 911 to our community start toward the middle of the month. Reminders: There is a Town Hall Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday January 18, 2017 at the Romeo High School Auditorium (6:30p.m.) This Town Hall Meeting is put on by Northwest Macomb Prevention Coalition and Families Against Narcotics. Lee spoke on the rise nationwide and all-time high in Macomb County Drug-related deaths. Of the 280 drug related deaths in Macomb County, 114 of those were related to heroin, either alone or in combination with other Drugs. For the first time in history, the number of overdoses has surpassed automobile fatalities. The rise in use of Opioids,

pain killers, heroin, and marijuana in North Macomb County is an epidemic that no parent in our community can afford to ignore. During heavy snowfalls please do not leave your cars in the street, so the DPW can provide adequate snow removal. Also the please have snow removed from sidewalk within 48 hours. We have been getting a number of complaints regarding residents putting trash out early, please put trash out the night before. Village of Romeo Regular Meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2017 and remember to pick up after your pets while going on walks.

Presidents Report:

Nothing to report, but Pres. Siglow hoped everyone had a wonderful and safe holiday season.

Public Forum: None

Approval of the Agenda:

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Edwards to approve the agenda with the addition of Sub-committee discussion to New Buisness #8.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

New Business

1) 2017 Community Development Block Grant Funding

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Poznanski to approve the 2016 Fiscal Year CDBG allocations as present. CHORE-\$500.00, Care House- \$185.00, MCREST-\$570.00, Samaritan House-\$305.00, Turning Point-\$305.00, Helping Hand Gift-\$150.00, Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers-\$28.00, Macomb County Warming Center-\$32.00, Play Place for Autistic Children-\$275.00, Macomb Homeless Coalition-\$150.00.

Yeas: Trustee Bartholomew, Edwards Fowler, Hart, Malzahn, Poznanski, and Pres.Siglow

Nays: None

2) 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Annual Audit

Paul Bailey from Stewart, Beauvias, and Whipple present the Village Council with the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Audit. Mr. Bailey will give Clerk/Admin. Lee some names to assist the Village of Romeo with the OPEB Liabilities.

3) SAW Grant- HRC

Keith McCormack from Hubbell, Roth and Clark gave an update and over view of the SAW Grant and projects that Clerk/Admin. Lee, Tim Metz, and Al Lapeer will be working.

4) Special Events Permit- "Snow Me The Love" MRP

Resolved by: Pres. Siglow, supported by Trustee Hart to approve the use of the parking lot behind BP Station as part of the Special Events Permit requested by the Romeo MRP.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

5) Land Banking Ordinance- Parking in Industrial Development District

Resolved by: Pres. Siglow, supported by Trustee Hart to approve the amending of the number of parking spaces required in the Zoning Districts in the Village of Romeo.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

6) Medical Marijuana – Mike Lumetta

Mike Lumetta a realtor for Keller and Associates Real Estate presented to the Village Council The Medical Marijuana Facilities Act put together by MCDA (Michigan Cannabis Development Association).

7) HDC Appointments- Caroline Seidel 137 Turner St./Brandy Chirco 126 Hollister St.

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Edwards to approve Pres. Siglow's appointments of Caroline Seidel and Brandy Chirco to the HDC Board.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

8) Sub-Committee- Discussion (Addition)

Trustee Malzahn lead brief discussion on adding Committee Report to the Monthly Agenda. Village Council agreed with doing this moving forward.

Old Business:

1) MITT.TV Contract

Discussion were held regarding the Mitt.TV Contract that was presented to the Village Council. Village Attorney Mark Clark went over concerns and correction that need to be made to the contract. Mr. Clark said he will have written opinion on Comcast drop by next month's meeting.

Board Member Comments: None

Adjournment

Resolved by: Trustee Malzahn, supported by Trustee Bartholomew to adjourn the meeting at 8:42p.m.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michael A. Lee, Romeo Village Clerk/Administrator

Tadd Siglow, Romeo Village President