

**VILLAGE OF PELLSTON**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES of FEBRUARY 10, 2025 @ 7:00pm**

**Location:** Village Hall

**Council Present:** Jim Gillett (President), Steve Hall (Pro Tem President), Jane Ann Rose, Kayla Schlappi, Eric Ward, Mark Givens & Jackie Pierce

**Officials/Staff Present:** Randy Bricker (Fire Chief) & Art Massey (DPW Supervisor), Rebecca O'Neil (Clerk – Via Telephone)

**Official Absent:** Brenda Blakemore (Treasurer)

**Budget Hearing:** Motion was made by Eric Ward, seconded by Steve Hall to approve the amended 2024-2025 budget as submitted.

Yay 7, Nay 0, Motion carried

Motion was made by Kayla Schlappi, seconded by Mark Givens to approve the 2025-2026 budget as submitted.

Yay 7, Nay 0, Motion carried

Budget Hearing closed at 7:14pm

**Minutes:** Motion was made by Jane Ann Rose, seconded by Kayla Schlappi to approve the minutes of January 13, 2025, meeting as submitted.

Yay 7, Nay 0, Motion carried

**New Business:** Bruce Emus addressed the Council sharing concerns regarding Boy Scouts Troop # 2 dissolving and possible pending reorganization. Mr. Emus stated that five kids are needed to start a new chartered unit and that Boy Scouts will be advertising in conjunction with local schools. Mr. Gillett stated that Wayne Auarand (Scoutmaster) has requested that the Boy Scouts funds and inventory revert back to the Village until another troop can be formed.

Mr. Gillett noted that the pending contract with BTS Towers, LLC (T-Mobile) will require a 50'x50' locked area near the snowmobile building and that the tower would be 112' high. Mr. Gillett noted that a zoning permit, site plan and FAA review will be required. A motion was made by Jane Ann Rose, seconded by Eric Ward to sign the lease agreement with BTS Towers, LLC.

Yay 7, Nay 0, Motion carried

**Bills for Approval:** Motion was made by Jane Ann Rose, seconded by Eric Ward to approve the bills of \$132,131.34.

Yay 7, Nay 0, Motion carried

**Committee Reports:**

**Fire:** None

**OEO:** None

Planning/Zoning: Mr. Gillett stated that the PC is reviewing a proposed hazard mitigation plan for FEMA that has been developed by Emmet County.

Recreation: The community sledding party will be held on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12:30-3:30 at Pioneer Park and will be sponsored by the DDA.

Maintenance: Mr. Massey updated the Council on an accident that occurred with the snowplow. Mr. Gillett stated that no tickets were issued (Michigan no fault state) and noted the matter is closed. Mr. Massey expressed concerns regarding trash cans that are left in the road after pick up. The Council agreed to send a friendly reminder to residents with the next tax bills.

DDA: Mr. Gillett stated that the DDA reviewed and approved the budget for 2025-2026 and will be sponsoring the sledding party.

Historical: None

Beautification: None

Website: None

**Old Business:** None

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comments:** None

**Adjournment:** Motion was made by Jane Ann Rose, seconded by Mark Givens to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm.

Yay 7, Nay 0, Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Rebecca O'Neil, Clerk