

**VILLAGE OF PELLSTON**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES of July 8, 2024 @ 7:00pm**

**Location:** Village Hall

**Council Present:** Jim Gillett (President), Steve Hall (Pro Tem President), Mark Givens & Carolina Mallory

**Council Absent:** Eric Ward, Jane Ann Rose & Kayla Schlappi

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

**Officials/Staff Absent:** Brenda Blakemore (Treasurer)

**Minutes:**

Motion was made by Steve Hall, seconded by Mark Givens to approve the minutes of June 10, 2024 meeting as submitted.

Yay 4, Nay 0, Motion carried

**New Business:** Discussion took place regarding the property/vehicle insurance renewal through the Michigan Township Par Plan and price increases due to increased property tax values/inflation. Motion was made by Carolina Mallory, seconded by Steve Hall to approve the property/vehicle insurance renewal for \$32,335 through July of 2025.

**Bills for Approval:**

Motion was made by Carolina Mallory, seconded by Steve Hall to approve the bills of \$53,010.36

Yay 4, Nay 0, Motion Carried

**Committee Reports:**

**Fire:** Mr. Bricker stated that both vehicles 4401 and 4402 need repairs that will cost around \$2,000 each. Mr. Bricker reminded the Council of the Fire Department Corn Hole & Beer Tent Fundraiser on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>.

**OEO:** Mr. Bricker noted numerous complaints regarding dirt/motorbikes being ridden in the Village.

**Zoning:** Mr. Bricker stated he has issued a couple building permits.

**Planning Commission:** Mrs. Mallory stated that there was discussion regarding the proposed cell tower at Pioneer Park.

**Museum/Historical Society:** Mr. Bricker stated that Mary Ocko is doing a great job operating the museum.

**Maintenance:** Mr. Massey stated that wedging on Zipf Street will be completed by the end of the month.

Motion was made by Mark Givens, seconded by Carolina Mallory to approve the bid from Points North Tree Service for \$3,075.00 to remove three trees.

Yay 4, Nay 0, Motion carried.

**Recreation:** Discussion on new North Emmet County Little League (NELL) president and the tasks/work that needs to be completed at the ball fields by the end of August.

DDA: Mr. Gillett stated that no meeting took place this month due to lack of quorum.

Beautification: None

Website: Mrs. Mallory stated that she has recently made some updates to the website.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: Mr. Gillett stated that OHM/EGLE is still in discussion with Pellston Public Schools regarding use of their property on Robinson Rd for a municipal well site. Mr. Gillett stated the University of Michigan has come back with numerous questions regarding the use of their property for a municipal well site and that he doubts they will permit usage at their location. Mr. Gillett also stated that most likely the water tower for the municipal system will go behind the Boy Scout building on Milton. Street.

Mr. Gillett stated that Community Picnic had an excellent turn out with 250-300 people in attendance and thanked all those that helped to contribute/volunteer.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by Steve Hall seconded by Carolina Mallory to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm.

Yay 4, Nay 0, Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Rebecca O'Neil, Clerk