

The Council for the Village of Hillman met in regular session on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 7 p.m. in the evening in the east-end conference room of the Hillman Community Center at 24220 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hillman, Michigan. Present: President Dave Hornbacher, Clerk/Treasurer Brenda South. Trustees: Stephen Orlandi, Tom Bouchey, Johnathon Smith, Velma Brown. Employees: Jan McMurray and Dave Post. Visitors: Deputy Arnett (Montmorency County Sheriff Department), Justin Wing, Engineer.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Hornbacher.

A motion was made by Trustee Orlandi and supported by Trustee Brown to approve the agenda as presented. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Brown to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2022 Council meeting as written. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

President Hornbacher presented Resolution 2022-03 with a notation that there is a correction of \$1,022,150 in the budget figures. A motion was made by Trustee Orlandi and supported by Trustee Bouchey to adopt Resolution 2022-03 with the correction. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2022-03

BUDGET ADOPTION RESOLUTION AND APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

WHEREAS, Budget documents were prepared by the Budget Committee consisting of President Dave Hornbacher, Clerk-Treasurer Brenda South, Councilpersons Stephen Orlandi, Johnathon Smith, Tom Bouchey and Velma Brown, Village Manager Dave Post, DPW Supervisor John Burr and Secretary-Bookkeeper Jan McMurray covering the fiscal year commencing April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023 and

WHEREAS, this budget document has been placed on file in the office of the Village of Hillman and made available for public examination, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on March 15, 2022 and duly advertised on March 9th in the Montmorency County Tribune to receive input from the citizens of the Village of Hillman as required by the laws of the State of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget document titled “Annual Budget-Fiscal Year 2022-2023” of the Village of Hillman for the fiscal year April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 be adopted by activity within each fund, and the Village of Hillman Council is hereby authorized to make expenditures provided for in said budget provided such expenditures are made according to the General Law Village Charter.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the final budget document is herein approved, adopted, appropriated, and placed on file in the office of the Village of Hillman and is made a permanent record of the Village of Hillman and that it is made a part of this resolution by reference.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that to defray the cost of general operating expenditures contained in said document that the estimated sum of \$185,000 based on the millage rate of 10.5 shall be raised by the Village of Hillman, Hillman, Michigan by taxation for the fiscal period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023, inclusive, in accordance with the General Law Village Charter and the law of the State of Michigan relative to the taxation and real and personal property.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following appropriations be and are hereby authorized for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2022:

General Fund	\$390,827
Major Streets	\$159,015
Local Streets	\$ 84,510
HELP	\$ 45,748
Bond Debt	\$ 63,590
Airport	\$ 13,000
Sewer Department	\$ 85,500
Water Department	\$118,460
Cooling Pond	\$ 26,000
Heavy Equipment Pool	<u>\$ 35,500</u>
TOTAL	\$1,022,150

A motion was made by Trustee Orland and seconded by Trustee Bouchey to adopt Resolution 2022-2023.

Yeas: 4

Nays: None

Abstain: 1

Brenda South
Village Clerk

President Hornbacher continued the meeting calling for approval of paying the bills. **A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Brown to pay the bills and additional bills with checks numbered 35100-35127. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

Sheriff Deputy Arnett did not have anything to report however, Manager Dave Post and Trustee Stephen Orlandi both complained of speeding vehicles on County Road 459, the deputy stated that she will take note and pass the word to other deputies on patrol.

Manager Dave Post reported that the sidewalk bids were in and there were 2 bids one was for \$80,000 and the other \$81,000 both almost double of what was projected at \$46,000. Justin Wing, the engineer handling this project stated that he had not factored in the MDOT mobilization fee of 10% also stated he had not updated his database, so the original costs were at 2020 prices. **President Hornbacher** asked these bids were fair or should it be put out for bids again. **Manager Dave Post** if it were to be put out for bids again would the project get done this year. Justin said he thought the bids were fair and some employers were short employees so he would not be certain it could get done this year, or whether the costs would be the same if done later. **President Hornbacher** asked if all of the MDOT permits were submitted, Justin replied that yes, they were “all set”. **Manager Dave Post** asked Justin if bid books were available, and Justin stated that yes, bid book would be available electronically. After some discussion about prices and availability of workers it was decided to continue with the project and the council decided to take the lower bid of \$79,779.00 from Elmers. **A motion was made by Trustee Orlandi and supported by Trustee Bouchey to award the project to Elmers for their bid of \$79,779.00. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.** Justin Wing stated that he will get an award package to Elmers by the end of construction

season, so they are ready to go. Manager Dave Post asked about the work on West Riverside Drive, Justin replied that he will work with Dave on this.

Manager Dave Post reported that he has been working on the Consumer Confidence Report and it should be finished next week or so. There were a few “hiccups” with the new trash hauler, but overall pick has been working out. The Wheels Car Club has asked to use the municipal parking lot on August 14th for the car show during the VJ Day festivities. Manager Dave Post reported that he and Jan McMurray were considering getting another copier for the office. The current copier is on loan while we have been waiting for parts for the Village copier and the loaner is costing more money for toner. **Trustee Velma Brown** suggested finding another supplier for a more economical copier. Dave reported that Liberty Union Insurance Company sent a dividend check to the Village, it was a percentage of payment contributions to their fund. The Village Council opted to the 80%-20% plan so this money (refund) can be used to reimburse employees hospital insurance fees. The census bureau will be sending a cd to match up data reported in the last census. The Governors budget includes \$50 million in funding to communities who lost populations in the last census.

President Hornbacher reported that Hardies Electric presented a bid of \$1500 for a electric pedestal for the Brush Creek Mill. **Manager Dave Post** reported that Charlie Arbor is working on a new bid for drywall and exhaust fan for the upstairs at the mill. **A motion was made by Trustee Bouchey and supported by Trustee Smith to accept the bid from Hardies Electric for an electrical pedestal for the Brush Creek Mill for \$1500. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown. Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried.**

President Hornbacher reported receipt of the MDOT map and will sign this with no changes. **Manager Dave Post** reported problems with the lift station at the golf course but things have been resolved. **President Hornbacher** questioned the due date on the water bills stating that he had fielded some questions on late bills, the mail isn't delivering them on time making some bills late. This will be discussed at the next meeting. **Manager Dave Post** reported a planning commission meeting on Monday, April 18th also a request from someone wanting to start a private school in the former Free Methodist Church on Third Street, a special use permit will be required.

not ready for summer rentals yet. The Council told Johnathon that it is up to him when he wants to open, there will be an ad for a part-time helper put in the paper this next week, some clean up from winter will be needed before the park opens.

Trustee Stephen Orlandi reported that the fire board met, and things are going well. New equipment has been ordered with prices being a little higher than last year. The board has decided to order and pay for the new fire truck by the end of the month. The board has requested that the Village pay their share of the new truck by the end of the month, paying for the truck in advance will save a significant amount of money. Trustee Orlandi reported all lights seem to be working for now.

Manager Dave Post reported a significant amount of damage to Village streets this past winter, some corners are breaking up. A new dumpster is needed at the DPW garage, one has been ordered from our new hauler. On Wednesday, April 20th the water committee will travel to Deerfield to tour a water filtration plant. Hillman Power Plant has indicated that when the plant closes and is removed they would like to contribute some money to the Village to be used for something visible to the community. It was suggested a footbridge across the Thunder Bay at the Brush Creek Mill, also a remodel of the playground at Emerick Park.

President Hornbacher talking with a resident about her wanting to purchase an alleyway bordering her property. It was explained to her that there are utilities buried in that right-of-way/alley and the Village would not surrender it to any private individual. It was reported that DPW Supervisor John Burr had talked with her as well.

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Bouchey to adjourn the meeting. Yeas: Orlandi, Bouchey, Smith, Brown, Nays: None, Abstain: Hornbacher. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Dave Hornbacher, President

Brenda South, Clerk/Treasurer