

Monday May 12, 2025

PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

17West State Street, Port Austin, MI 48467

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andreski, Bronson, Mayes-Theobald, Polega, Murawski, Brecht, Noble

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Amanda Nienaltowski, Thomas Rapson, Dale Hartsell, Kevin Jimkoski

GUESTS PRESENT: Caren Voss, J. Wolschlager, Mary Babcock, Sherry Seley, Lauri Reno, Diane Wilton, Linda Upthegrove, Brenda Nummer, Ryan Abbott, Judy Beam

Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Public Comment:

Brenda Nummer – discussed her snake rock project. May 18 (noon-4pm) will be a painting day at Veterans Pavilion. Polega stated the hardware store will donate the netting needed for the project.

Agenda:

1. **Port Austin Fire Dept/DPW Roof** – discussion was had on the issues with the roof. **Motion Polega, support Bronson for project will go out to bid. Ayes: All**
2. **Bird Creek Bathhouse Painting Bid** – **Motion Polega, support Mayes-Theobald to approve GW Home Services bid with the addition of \$3450.00 to include the outside block. Ayes: All**
3. **Fireworks** – **Motion Polega, support Brecht to approve the 2025 Permit for Fireworks for July 4. Ayes: All**
4. **Brightspeed Right of Way** – Brightspeed is asking for right of way permits. Discussion was had on work on being completed in the Village currently. Tabled until a rep from Brightspeed can come to address the board.

Correspondence:

1. **FOIA Request** – FOIA request was received regarding Ordinance 31. Clerk to work on.
2. **Family Reunion** – Request for a family reunion by Rovert Upthegrove and Sherry Seley, involving multiple travel trailers on two parcels, was received. Discussion was had on vacant/industrial property and public vs. private requests for special events. **Motion Polega, support Andreski to approve the family reunion as presented. Ayes: none Nays: All (Request denied)**
3. **Denise Schmidt** – Letter was addressed. DPW working on sand at the beaches and playgrounds. Slide replacement has been ordered.
4. **Brass Band** – Special request received.
5. **Vintage Blooms** – letter received regarding request to use the rear backyard of 95 Spring Street to put a coffee trailer. Much discussion was had. This cannot be on Village property.
6. **Dahlias & Drinks** – Special request received. Attendees must bring their own alcohol – none to be sold.

Consent Agenda:

Motion Polega, support Andreski to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: All

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Bills:

Motion Brecht, support Noble to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$2850.97. Ayes: All

Attorney: working on STR ordinance

Department head report/requests:

DPW : none

Police:

- Side by side loan program (free of charge) has been accepted.
- Committee needs to meet with Port Austin Township to discuss contract. Discussion was had.

Clerk:

- Dredging permit has been approved through the state.
- Audit is currently underway

Committee Reports:

Insurance/Finance - add DPW Garage/Fire Dept Roof

Farmers Market/Gym - Polega updated the board on the project. It is moving forward. Additional funding was applied for.

PA School - Update – brush was cleaned up. Main building appears secured.

Council Member Comments:

Mayes-Theobald – inquired about the MDOT and crosswalks. We are just waiting on a date from MDOT.

With no further business; **Moved Brecht, support Polega** meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Clerk Certification

I the undersigned, Amanda Nienaltowski, the duly qualified and appointed Clerk for the Village of Port Austin, Huron County Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Village of Port Austin,

At a regular board meeting conducted on the 12th day of May, 2025.

_____ Amanda Nienaltowski, Village Clerk