

# **VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA**

County of Kent, Michigan

## **Village Council Meeting Minutes**

For Monday April 15, 2024 7:00 p.m.

250 S. Maple St. SE

Caledonia, MI 49316

Meeting was called to order by President Lindsey at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A moment of silence was observed for retired, long time employee, Roger Loring.

Members present were; Hahn, Miller, Schuler, Lindsey, Soest Niles and Erskine, also present was Attorney Stegink and Manager Thornton.

Moved by Schuler, supported by Miller to approve the agenda with the substitution of separation agreement with the manager with 11.a.) Closed Session. Approving the minutes of both the March 11<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup> meetings, Treasurer's report inclusive of budget amendments and the payment of bills. Motion passed unanimously.

Peter Tierney of Flies and Vanderbrink reported that he would be working with staff on the category B grant work to be done. He reported that some parts of the project were being cleared up with MDOT. He also reported that they were still waiting for information from Caledonia Township to complete the amended recreation plan.

Miller reported that the School Board was meeting that night.

Lindsey reported that the Township was meeting this week.

Moved by Miller, supported by Schuler to enter into a separation agreement with the manager. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Miller, supported by Soest to remove flex time from the agenda.

Moved by Miller, supported by Schuler to authorize up to \$26,000 for additional work to be preformed in preparation of the chip sealing of the previously named streets (Main, Johnson and School). Roll call vote. Lindsey, Soest, Hahn, Miller, Shuler – Yae. Erskine, Nae. Motion passed.

Moved buy Schuler, supported by Hahn to have the Attorney make the necessary changes to the proposed amendment to Chapter 2 of the Village Code and return for consideration (Tabled). Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Miller, supported by Schuler to approve the Administrative Assistant job description with changes, set the benefit to PTO and voluntary participation of the retirement plan up to 5% match. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Miller, supported by Schuler to table review of the Managers description, benefits and obtain proposals from search firms to be reviewed May 29<sup>th</sup>. Roll call vote. Lindsey, Soest, Hahn, Miller, Shuler – Yae. Erskine, Nae. Motion passed.

Council tentatively set a budget workshop for 6p.m. May 20<sup>th</sup>.

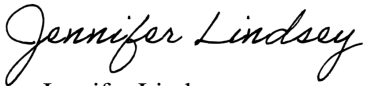
Moved by Hahn, supported by Schuler to purchase a tractor/loader from Wolf Kubota in the amount of \$82,480.89. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Erskine, supported by Miller to have Great Lakes Utility and Concrete Construction Inc. install a 68'x5'x4" sidewalk in front of Village Hall connecting to the DPW parking lot. Motion passed unanimously.

Haley McNeil make suggestions as to the replacement of the Administrative Assistant.

The Village Manger thanked the Council and Community for the opportunity to have served for nearly the last five years.

Each Village Council member thanked Jeff Thornton for his service.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Lindsey".

Jennifer Lindsey  
Village President