

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Durand Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, January 13th, 2025. The meeting was called to order by the Village President, Sheila Hoffman, at 7:45 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustee Waller, Trustee Clark, Trustee Cox, Trustee Guth, Trustee Dasko, Trustee Becker

Present via teleconference: None

Absent: None

Employees: *Chief of Police, Michael Reiman*
Public Works Supervisor, Aaron Kahl

Village President: Sheila Hoffman

Village Treasurer: Denise Britnell

Village Attorney: Darron Burke

Village Clerk: Mary Sphatt

Public: *See attached sign-in sheet*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SWEARING IN: Durand Police officer O'Mally Lomax II. Officer O'Mally Lomax, was sworn in as the School Resource Officer, by President Sheila Hoffman after a heartfelt declaration by Police Chief Rieman and School Board Representee Ron Kaskovich.

MINUTES

The minutes from the December 9th, 2024 Regular Session were inspected by the board members. Motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mr. Becker to approve the December 9th, 2024 minutes of the Regular Session. ROLL CALL: Clark, yes: Cox, yes: Dasko, yes: Waller, yes: Guth, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

The Board bills dated December 30th, 2024 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Guth to draw on the treasury to pay the payroll bills dated December 30th, 2024 totaling \$24,239.96. ROLL CALL: Cox, yes: Guth, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

The Board bills dated January 13th, 2024 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mrs. Waller to draw on the treasury to pay the payroll bills dated January 13th, 2024 totaling \$23,789.20. ROLL CALL: Cox, yes: Guth, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

The payroll Bills dated December 24th, 2024 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Dasko to draw on the treasury to pay the December 24th, 2024 Board Bills totaling \$19,917.93. ROLL CALL: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Guth, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

The payroll Bills dated January 6th, 2024 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Becker to draw on the treasury to pay the January 6th, 2024 Board Bills totaling \$25,661.71. ROLL CALL: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Guth, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Cox to approve The Treasurer's Report for the Month of December, 2024 ROLL CALL: Becker, yes: Cox, yes: Clark, yes: Dasko, yes: Guth, yes: Waller, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

ZONING

Nothing to Report

PUBLIC COMMENT

Representative Jim Webster was present to discuss any issues and concerns going forward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE

Trustee Clark will review the ACH fees and credit card fees to be passed on to the consumers for water bills and whether or not additional billing fees which may or may not be required. Chief Reiman has returned what may become an addition in the budget request for the Police Department. There is a TIF meeting scheduled for February 12th, 2025. The garbage bill increase has been effective as of the January, 2025 billing cycle. Durand Charm is requesting a \$2,000 donation and a formal request for the Village

library in the amount of \$1,200 with a \$6,00 summer stipend is forthcoming. The utility clerk position is open again and interviews are in progress. The second meeting scheduled for December of 2024 has been removed from the schedule. The Opperman TIF project at 101 South St. has been renovated as agreed. The reimbursements are scheduled to be paid out in the amount of \$16,245.00. The attorney for the Otter Creek lots, Mr. Trotter, has inquired whether or not the lots could be claimed by a Quit Claim Deed. President Sheila Hoffman will be looking into that.

B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Queen of Hearts raffle has a jackpot of over \$80,000, is going strong and has been going on for 33 weeks. The American Legion Riders raffle for 6 weapons is up for a vote tonight for the waiver of bond requirement. Durand charm has sent a request of support in the sum of \$2,000, which will be discussed.

C. BUILDINGS AND PARKS

The hoops at the Basketball Court at Saalen's Park will be replaced soon.

D. STREETS AND ALLEYS

Street maintenance options were discussed by the Board Members. There are several projects which are scheduled to take place with payment from MFT funds: including chip and seal at Otter Creek and a possible fog and seal at the Center Avenue parking lot. The newly constructed public works facility has contributed in a downtime of overtime hours construed. UTV user owner renewal cards will be mailed. The outdated sign in the front of the flower shop will be addressed. There are no further updates as to the status of 14730 Ruby St.

E. WATER AND SEWER

Nothing to Report

F. POLICE

School Resource Officer, O'Malley Lomax II was sworn in by President Sheila Hoffman as the School Resources Officer. The monthly report for December was handed out and reviewed. A police departmental budget increase was distributed. Grant requests were reviewed, including the bullet proof vest grant, which will provide \$400. The bodycam request may not be heard from until April 1st. Recruitment Retention has been submitted for the amount of \$113,000 and the Taser grant has gone through. All year end reports have been submitted to NIBRS and no errors have been reported. Arrianna Kim has accepted the role of Part Time Police Officer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. A straw poll showed unanimous support for the approval for payment for Ken Offerman's TIF agreement at 101 South Street in the amount of \$16,245.00

NEW BUSINESS

- A. The Ordinance for outdoor dining was presented as a first reading and will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- B. The American Legion Riders have requested a raffle for 6 weapons of various models to be managed by Steve Gahm. A straw poll was held and showed approval with the exception of Mr. Becker who abstained. A vote will be performed at the next meeting.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE JANUARY 13TH, 2025 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ROLL CALL: YEAS, 6; NAYS, 0; ABSENT, 0.

TIME ADJOURNED: 9:00 P.M.