

**VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

OCTOBER 13, 2025

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER @ **7:00 PM**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
3. ATTENDANCE: **Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, Stuut**
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: *Manager McGrew, Clerk Storm-Artis, Attorney Graham, Superintendent Anthony*
4. WELCOME TO PUBLIC
5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING BEING RECORDED
6. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
President Stuut added New Business items N-Miss Mattawan Participation, O-Detroit Salt Company, and P-Kennedy Invoice and \$3,938.78 to the bills for a new total of \$217,500.14
7. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion by Daniel, seconded by Gurley to approve the agenda as amended. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
9. APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF **SEPTEMBER 22, 2025**
Motion by McLean, seconded by Gurley to approve the agenda as amended. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
10. BILLS TO BE APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ **213,561.36**
3,938.78
Total \$ 217,500.14
Motion By Daniel, seconded by Gurley to approve the bills in the amount of \$217,500.14. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.
11. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

Edrie Britten asked about the fiber lines being installed throughout the Village. It was explained to her that there is a massive state of Michigan broadband expansion project taking place, and that no local approval was required, however the village does review right of way usage submissions to make sure they are not in conflict with existing water/sewer lines.

12. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. FINANCE COMMITTEE – CHAIR SREETER
No meeting, no report
- B. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – CHAIR DANIEL
No meeting, no report
- C. DPW COMMITTEE – CHAIR MCLEAN
No meeting, no report
- D. LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE – CHAIR GURLEY
No meeting, no report
- E. PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE – CHAIR MONROE
Meeting needs to be scheduled
- F. POLICY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – CHAIR BEGEMAN
Meeting needs to be scheduled
- G. ZONING AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – CHAIR STUUT
No meeting, no report
- H. PLANNING COMMISSION LIAISON REPORT – LIAISON STREETER
No meeting, no report
- I. DDA COMMITTEE – CHAIR ROB BROOKS
Meeting 10/9/25
- J. KATS – MANAGER MCGREW
Meeting 9/24/2025

13. STAFF REPORTS

- A. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – *Superintendent Anthony presented his report.*
- B. MANAGER’S REPORT – *Manager McGrew presented his report.*
- C. ENGINEER’S REPORT - *Engineer Woodhams discussed several resident complaints from the French Rd. watermain replacement and concerns from the Silvergrass neighborhood regarding water pressure.*
- D. ATTORNEY’S REPORT – *Attorney Graham discussed invoices that are over the spending limit of the Village Manager must go to council for approval even if budgeted. He also clarified voting requirements for these approvals.*

14. OLD BUSINESS

- A. MPD SERVER – *Manager McGrew stated they would have more information on this at the next meeting.*
- B. LIGHT POLE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS – *Superintendent Anthony updated council on this item. Discussion took place. No action taken.*

15. NEW BUSINESS

- A. APPROVE THE DISPOSAL OF OLD AND DAMAGED VILLAGE ELECTRONICS AND OTHER ITEMS – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Motion by Begeman, seconded by Gurley to approve Manager McGrew and Clerk Storm-Artis using their judgment to disposal of old and damaged items from the basement, but to keep the old nativity for one year. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
- B. UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNT BALANCE CLEAN-UP
Discussion took place.
Motion by McLean, seconded by Stuut approve writing off aging accounts in the amount of \$9,507.50 with any additional amounts to be represented to council. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion Carried 7-0.
- C. POLC MERS UPDATE LOA – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Discussion took place.
Motion by Stuut, seconded by Gurley to approve the LOA with POLC. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
- D. COUNCIL TRAINING BUDGET AMENDMENT
101-101-96000 OLD \$2,500.00 NEW \$5,700.00
Extensive discussion took place.
Motion by Streeter, seconded by Daniel to approve the budget amendment for 101-101-96000 to \$6,200.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. McLean voted no. Motion carried 6-1.
- E. 2025 MAM MAYORS AND PRESIDENTS INSTITUTE
Motion by Streeter, seconded by Gurley to approve President Stuut and Pro Tem Begeman to attend the MAM Institute and allowance for separate rooms up to a total cost of \$1,500.00. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
- F. 2025 NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS TRAINING
Clerk Storm-Artis stated that if any member wished to attend either training to let her know and the member would be registered.
- G. APPROVE INVOICE FROM SWT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 457,696.60
Discussion took place.
Motion by McLean, seconded by Daniel to approve payment of the SWT invoice after submission to, approval from, and draw received from the USDA in the amount of \$457,696.60. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.
- H. APPROVE CIVICA INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 55,875.00

Motion by Begeman, seconded by Monroe to approve payment of the Civica invoice in the amount of \$55,875.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

I. LIABILITY/BONDING BUDGET AMENDMENT

101-172-91000 OLD \$65,000.00 NEW \$75,000.00

Extensive discussion took place.

Motion by Stuut, seconded by McLean to approve the budget amendment for 101-172-91000 to \$75,000.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

J. APPROVE BHS ANNUAL INSURANCE COVERAGE RENEWAL INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70,335.00

Motion by Begeman, seconded by McLean to approve payment of the BHS invoice in the amount of \$70,335.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

K. REQUEST FROM DDA FOR FOOD TRUCK PERMIT FEE WAIVER ONE-DAY HOLIDAY EVENT

Discussion took place.

Motion by Streeter, seconded by Gurley to approve the request from the DDA for a food truck permit fee waiver for a one-day holiday event. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

L. SEWER LINES TO KALAMAZOO – Member Streeter

Extensive discussion took place. No action taken.

M. APPROVE PETERS CONSTRUCTION EMERGENCY REPAIR INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,298.00

This invoice plus the Village DPW Labor Cost of \$936.00 will be billed out to MEC for damage caused during fiber install

Discussion took place.

Motion by Daniel, seconded by Streeter to approve the invoice from Peters Construction that will be billed to MEC in the amount of \$14,298.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

N. MISS MATTAWAN PARTICIPATION

Discussion took place.

Motion by Stuut, seconded by Streeter to table the item to the next regular council meeting on October 27, 2025. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

O. DETROIT SALT COMPANY INVOICE

Discussion took place.

Motion by Daniel, seconded by McLean to approve payment of the Detroit Salt Company invoice in the amount of \$18,269.03. Roll Call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

P. KENNEDY INVOICE FOR LIFT STATION #2 UPGRADES

Discussion took place.

Motion by McLean, seconded by Stuut to approve payment for the Kennedy invoice in the amount of \$68,931.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

16. COMMUNICATIONS

Revenue and Expense Report

President Stuut stated she would be meeting with Manager McGrew and discussing with council at the next meeting.

17. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

William Reid spoke about the issues with the construction crews directing traffic along French Rd. during the watermain project.

Shane Berry spoke about issues he experienced with household appliance failures in July 2025, he believes was caused by high water pressure. He also spoke about inspections not being properly done.

An anonymous resident spoke about an issue she experienced with her water heater and high-water pressure.

Discussion took place regarding how the watermain is installed dry then connected, water tower height and water pressure, and inspections and inspectors.

Melissa Tyler asked if she could present a request to the council in private. Attorney Graham reviewed the submission and council could go into closed session for his opinion.

Anonymous individual asked about an injury during the Homecoming parade. He was informed the individual was okay.

Motion by Stuut, seconded by Streeter to enter closed session for attorney opinion. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Entered closed session 9:03 PM.

Motion by McLean, seconded by Stuut to return to open session. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Entered open session 9:22 PM.

18. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL *None*

19. ADJOURNMENT @ ***9:23 PM***

Motion by Stuut, seconded by Begeman to adjourn. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

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