

**Minutes**  
Village of Alanson  
7631 US 31 North, Alanson, MI 49706  
Regular Council Meeting of August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Village President Greg Babcock at 6:01 pm.

**Council Present:** Trustee Marvin Blumke, Trustee Preston Grobaski, Trustee Doug Larson, Trustee David Stepanovich, President Greg Babcock

**Council Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jason Losey, Brooke Milbrandt

**Visitors Present:** Roman Benson of B&B LLC, Diana Yockey, David Blumke, Tarynn Steele

**Approval of Minutes:** *Motion* by Stepanovich to approve minutes as written for the regular council meeting of July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Seconded by Blumke. All votes in favor. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**Visitor Presentation:** None

**Bid for Asphalt at Fairbairn Alley and West Street Culvert:** Babcock presented an estimate for paving at Fairbairn Alley and West Street. Discussion ensued. *Motion* by Larson to accept the estimate from Harbor Springs Excavating in the amount of \$11,740, to pave 1400 sft at Fairbairn Alley and 600 sft at West Street, with mobilization fees waived. Seconded by Stepanovich. All votes in favor. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Grobaski:** Nothing applicable.

**Blumke:** Reported that Riverfest set up and tear down was a success.

**Larson:** Stated that he was working on a grant report due for the Bass Avenue Park. Also, a check should arrive soon from the Health Department.

**Stepanovich:** Nothing applicable.

**Babcock:** Reported that he attended the HSADA meeting where there was discussion on bills going up for next year as volume was up by 27 million gallons this year. The sewer line televising project is ongoing – buildup north of the Comfort Center has been flushed. Babcock to reach out to Williams Excavating regarding bill for the line hit.

**Milbrandt:** Reported that meetings had taken place and paperwork was in process for retirement and health insurance benefits. An audit of the swing bridge inspection procedures had taken place and a follow up audit of MDOT practices could be expected in the future. Milbrandt has started working with a representative from Munetrix to learn how to use their software for financial transparency practices. Milbrandt recited concerns taken from citizens regarding a zoning board issue, a large pot hole on Pine Street, and an issue with LAMA handling of a hall rental.

**Monthly Bills:** *Motion* by Larson to pay the current monthly bills. Seconded by Stepanovich. All votes in favor. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Roman Benson inquired on what was required to be added to a meeting agenda. Babcock replied that he could make a request with the Clerk to be heard as a Visitor but if he wanted to discuss a matter requiring council approval his issue would have to be added at the request of a Council member. There was discussion over the Village's position on medical marijuana – there is no ordinance in place to opt in.

**Adjournment:** *Motion* by Blumke to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Larson. All votes in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.