



**VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**118 N. Center Street**  
**Monday, July 1, 2024, at 7:00 pm**

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER: President Ogden called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. ROLL CALL:
  - A. Present: Cattell, Morehouse, Mullins, Fairbotham, Howlett, Ogden
  - B. Absent: Powers-Taylor
3. President Ogden led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Howlett supported by Cattell to approve the July 1, 2024, agenda with the amendment of an additional item under New Business, Separation of Duties- President vs. Manager duties. All in favor, Motion Passed.
5. Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Howlett, supported by Mullins, to approve the June 3, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes. All in favor, Motion passed.
6. Public comment: None
7. Guests:
  - A. Cynthia R. Scott, CPA, CFE, Stephenson & Company, P.C. presented audit findings.
8. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion by Mullins supported by Cattell to pay the bills in the amount of \$111,241.61.

Roll Call:  
Aye- Mullins, Cattell, Morehouse, Fairbotham, Howlett, Ogden  
Nay- None  
Absent: Powers-Taylor
9. Department & Committee Reports:
  - A. Police Department report provided.
  - B. DPW Report provided.
  - C. Zoning Administrator report provided.
  - D. President's Report provided.



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- E. Executive Committee, report provided by Howlett.
- F. Ordinance Committee, none.
- G. Finance Committee, provided by Ogden.
- H. Utilities Committee, none.
- I. Planning Commission minutes provided.
- J. SDDA minutes provided.

10. Communications:

- A. Correspondence from Resident and Legal Counsel provided.

11. Unfinished Business: None.

12. New Business:

A. Audit

Presented during Guest Speaker.

B. LEAP Grant

Motion made by Howlett supported by Cattell to approve the Village Hall patio project as presented to be paid for by grant funds through the Lansing Economic Area Partnership and not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Roll Call:

Aye- Morehouse, Mullins, Fairbotham, Cattell, Howlett, Ogden

Nay- None

Absent- Powers-Taylor

All in favor, Motion passed

C. Hydrocorp Contract Renewal

Motion made by Mullins supported by Cattell to table the two-year contract with Hydrocorp to complete the cross-connection program at the monthly cost of \$249.50. All in favor, Motion passed.

D. Cemetery Audit Hire

Motion made by Mullins, supported by Cattell, approved the hiring of Karly Blaszkowski to complete an audit on the Oaklawn Cemetery at the pay rate of \$15.00 an hour with no benefits and up to 500 hours.



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Nay-None.

Absent- Powers-Taylor

All in favor, Motion passed.

**E. MML Conference**

Motion made by Ogden supported by Cattell to table the motion on closing the Village Office from September 11, 2024, to September 13, 2024. All in favor, Motion passed.

**F. Police Department Patrol Vehicle Outfitting**

Motion was made by Howlett, supported by Cattell, to table the for a motor vehicle pool for the Police Department and other Departments. All in favor, Motion passed.

**G. Separation of Duties: President vs. Manager**

Motion made by Howlett supported by Cattell to table the motion for the Village Council to define the duties of Village Manager vs. Village President. All in favor, Motion passed.

**13. Public Comment:**

- A. Anderson, a resident, commented on the Separation of Duties item added to the agenda.
- B. Ford, a resident, commented on the Separation of Duties item added to the agenda.

**14. Council Member Comments:**

- A. Morehouse inquired about Enbridge, Grants, and two Ordinances.
- B. Howlett commented on correspondence from legal counsel and the separation of duties items added to the agenda.
- C. Fairbotham mentioned that a local church was interested in purchasing Ransoms for a potential childcare center.
- D. Cattell commented on the separation of duties items added to the agenda.
- E. Mullins commented that the Village has a good staff and a good team.



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15. Attorney Comments: None

16. Next Meeting:

Utilities Committee, July 10, 2024, at 6:00 pm

Planning Commission Public Hearing, July 11, 2024, at 6:30 pm.

SDDA Regular Meeting, July 25, 2024, at 6:15 pm

Regular Meeting, August 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

17. Adjournment. Motion by Howlett, supported by Mullins, to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm. All in favor, Motion Passed.

Signed by:

Heather Armstrong