

Present: President Mooney; President Pro-Tem Peddie; Members: Abboud, Borgon, Delaney, Mueller and Oen

Absent: None

Also Present: Manager, Wilson  
Village Attorney, Ryan  
Public Safety Director, Torongeau

Council President Mooney called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Village of Beverly Hills municipal building at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road.

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA/APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Oen, second by Delaney, to amend the agenda by adding Review and consider approval of the Marian High School Walk-A-Thon as a Business Item.

Roll Call Vote:  
Motion passed (7 – 0).

Motion by Oen, second by Delaney, to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion passed.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Mooney introduced newly promoted Public Safety Lieutenant Howard Shock and Sergeant Michael Miles.

Miles grew up in Waterford, Michigan and has worked in the Village for nearly twenty years. He began as a Service Aide in the Village of Beverly Hills, and is now a Field Training Officer. He worked closely with the Oakland County Narcotic Team, and has twice been named Beverly Hills Officer of the Year.

Miles thanked the Council and Chief Torongeau for his promotion and indicated that he is honored to serve with an excellent public safety staff in an outstanding community.

Shock grew up in Macomb County, attended Macomb Community College where he earned an Associate's Degree, then attended Michigan State University to earn his Bachelors degree. He has represented the members Public Safety Officers Union, and works closely with the Village to bring community policing to a higher standard.

Shock thanked the Council and Chief Torongeau for his promotion and expressed how honored he is to serve in an exceptional community. He thanked his command and patrol staff for serving with integrity and commitment to residents.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Alda Marie McCook, Riverside Drive, shared that she is very happy with the communication from the Village. She wanted to share with the community that her husband was stricken with pneumococcal pneumonia, and that people need to be aware of the severity and seriousness of this. She recommends that people get tested and vaccinated against this terrible illness.

Mooney thanked McCook for sharing this important information, and assured her that the Village would look into more information to provide to residents.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Don and Roxanne Walsh, Longbow Court, has a second water meter installed in September 2015. They were receiving water bills with no water or sewer usage charged on either meter. When they received the water bill in 2016, there was an \$85.00 charge on each meter. Walsh would like to know why these charges are on the bill, and where that money goes.

Mooney explained that changes to the water billing system have been happening for two years. There have been several public notices and hearings regarding these changes.

Walsh expressed concern that they are paying the \$85.00 charge on both meters.

Wilson stated that the charge was halved for residents with a second meter, and that when new rates are set, Council will consider if the charge on second meters is warranted. He agreed to contact Walsh once the rates are determined.

Suzanne Grimm, Vernon, spoke about some landscaping work being done at 30817 Wendbrook Lane, which is currently vacant. There is bulldozer activity; they appear to be removing soil and trees from the river bank. The person working has dug a new drainage trench around the entire four acre property, and a new outlet into the river. In trenches on the property he is burying trees and bushes that have been previously removed.

Wilson stated the Village is familiar with the property, and the Village Code Enforcement Officer has visited the site and been in communication with the caretaker of the property on previous occasions. Wilson said that he would contact Oakland County and visit the site. He agreed to contact Grimm with an update on this situation.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Oen, second by Mueller, to approve the consent agenda as published.

1. Review and consider approval of minutes of a special Council meeting held March 29, 2016.
2. Review and consider approval of minutes of a regular Council meeting held April 5, 2016.
3. Review and file bills recapped as of Monday, April 18, 2016.
4. Review and consider waiving sales restrictions at Beverly Park for Memorial Day Carnival.

5. Review and consider request from the Beverly Hills Lions Club for use of Village streets on Monday, May 30, 2016 for the 34th Annual Fun Run/Walk.

Motion passed.

#### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

#### **REFER REQUEST FROM DETROIT COUNTRY DAY MIDDLE SCHOOL, 22305 W. 13 MILE ROAD, TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING REQUIRING SITE PLAN REVIEW AND SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL.**

Motion by Abboud, second by Oen, that the Village Council refers plans submitted by Detroit Country Day for expansion of middle school building and completion of fire department access to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation.

Motion passed.

#### **REVIEW PETITION FROM MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL TO HOLD A WALK-A-THON USING VILLAGE SIDEWALKS AND STREETS FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2016.**

Oen stated that Marian High School is requesting the use of Village sidewalks and streets to hold their annual Walk-A-Thon on Friday, April 29, 2016. Their mission is to provide assistance to Offering Alternatives Therapy with Smiles, a therapeutic riding stable in Clarkston, and also to Angel's Place, an organization that provides people-centered services for adults with developmental disabilities. The High School submitted a certificate of insurance naming the Village as an additional insured under its certificate of liability for the Walk-A-Thon.

Renna Sarafa, junior at Marian High School spoke on behalf of the school, apologizing for their tardiness in submission to the Council.

Motion by Oen, second by Peddie, to approve the request of Marian High School to use Village streets and sidewalks for its Walk-A-Thon to be held Friday, April 29, 2016. Upon approval, a Certificate of Insurance will be submitted naming the Village of Beverly Hills as an additional insured.

Motion passed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Honorable Cynthia Arvant, Devonshire, congratulated newly promoted Public Safety Lieutenant Howard Shock and Sergeant Michael Miles. The Beverly Hills Public Safety Department is one of the finest and the residents are fortunate to have a dedicated force who serves with integrity and loyalty. Arvant serves on the 46<sup>th</sup> District Court, and is looking forward to serving the residents of this Village.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Wilson reported the Council will be meeting on April 26, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. to review the proposed 2016-17 budget. Village Administration will be prepared to present the budget and answer any Council questions. Should Council members have any questions prior to this meeting they are free to contact either the Village Manager or Finance Director McCarthy. It has been customary for the Village Council to approve the Village budget on the first regularly scheduled meeting of May. This year that meeting would be on May 3, 2016. Per the Village Charter, the budget must be adopted by the second regular meeting in May. Village Administration does not see any issues in getting the budget approved by May 3, 2016.

Wilson reported the architects for the Village Hall renovation project hosted a walkthrough with potential general contractors this week. Bids are due on April 21, 2016 and will be opened at Village Hall. The architects will review and tabulate bids, and review the results with Village Administration before making a recommendation to the Village Council.

Wilson shared the Village conducted a bid opening for the 2016 paving project. The Village of Bingham Farms was also a participant in this bidding process for repaving a section of Bingham Rd. The bid results as read were below HRC's estimates for the proposed work area(s). The Village is working with HRC to review and tabulate the bids, and should have a recommendation at the May 3, 2016 Council meeting.

Wilson reminded residents they can continue to purchase recycling bins at half price, \$6.00, through the month of April. Bins can be purchased at the Village Hall or at the SOCRRA facility on Coolidge.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Borgon expressed his congratulations to newly promoted Public Safety Lieutenant Howard Shock and Sergeant Michael Miles. Next welcomed three new board members and introduced a new budget. The Boomer Summit is on April 30, 2016, at Groves High School. He shared that Birmingham has started a Citizens Academy where citizens can learn more about how the city works, and what various departments within City Administration do. He suggested this might be something the communications subcommittee considers in the Village. The Cable Board meets on April 20, 2016. He expressed an apology to the Southfield Board of Trustees for having not attended the last two meetings, but will be at the upcoming one.

Mueller reminded Wilson that a safer crosswalk needs to be considered for Evergreen between Westwood Estates and Groves High School. The Parks and Recreation Board will meet April 21, 2016. The adult exercise equipment has been installed south of the south baseball field and is available for use. The brick work has been done on the fireplace and has exceeded expectation. The updates to the playground have been done and are well received. The subcommittee for improvements will be doing a park walk through over the weekend.

Abboud commended Chief Torongeau for his vision in promoting Public Safety Lieutenant Howard Shock and Sergeant Michael Miles. Detroit Country Day will be scheduled to go before the Planning Commission regarding their planned expansion project. The Zoning Board recently gave approval for some new homes to be built with variances. Planning Administrator Wilks is

working with the One Stop Ready program for 2017. Wilks is working with the Main Street Oakland County program for 2016. Abboud will attend a SEMCOG summit in June 2016. The subcommittee report was submitted on the upcoming Village office renovations and bids are due by April 21, 2016.

Delaney shared that he was on Beverly Road when Beverly School let out, and was impressed by the number of children and parents walking. He expressed concern that the traffic on Beverly Road is quick and he would like to see increased officer visibility in that area. He suggested possibly installing a flashing school sign.

Oen offered his congratulations to the newly promoted Public Safety Lieutenant Howard Shock and Sergeant Michael Miles. He mentioned there is a pumper truck in use by the Public Safety Department that is over 25 years old, and needs replacing. The village has spent nearly \$8,000 on repairing this vehicle and should consider replacing it.

Mooney stated that the pumper truck would be an item on the agenda at the upcoming Council budget meeting.

Peddie reported that she attended the Baldwin Public Library Board meeting, and is pleased to share they have secured the funding for their capital improvements, and will be doing some building construction in the upcoming months.

Mooney stated pride in the promotion of two men who care about their job, the people they serve in this community, their bosses, and mentors. The Village is fortunate to have such a wonderful Public Safety team and excellent judicial system.

Mooney wished a Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to residents Bill and Sharon Tischler, and Edgar and Sharon Pugh.

Motion by Oen, second by Peddie, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Motion passed.

**John Mooney**  
**Council President**

**Ellen Marshall**  
**Village Clerk**

**Elizabeth Lyons**  
**Recording Secretary**