

Present: President Peddie; President Pro-Tem Abboud; Members: George, Hrydziuszko, Mooney, Mueller, and Nunez  
Abboud participated remotely from Beverly Hills, Michigan.

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager, Wilson  
Village Clerk / Assistant Manager, Rutkowski  
Public Safety Director, Torongeau  
Village Attorney, Ryan

Peddie called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Village of Beverly Hills municipal building located at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road and virtually via Zoom due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

### **AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA/APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Mooney, second by Mueller, be it resolved, the agenda is approved as published.

Roll Call Vote:  
Motion passed (7-0)

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Peddie presented a Certificate of Recognition to Council member Nunez for his dedicated service to the Village of Beverly Hills.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Peddie read comments from the following residents:

Greg and Dawn Meihn, 17151 Beechwood Ave, regarding the August 28<sup>th</sup> rain event and the storm water system.

Phyllis & Matthew Boland, Beverly Hills, regarding the August 28<sup>th</sup> rain event and damage in their basement.

Ken Flaherty, 17166 Beechwood, participated via Zoom and commented on sewage water flooding and PA222 claims.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Mooney, second by Nunez, be it resolved, the consent agenda is approved as published.

1. Review and consider approval of minutes of a regular Council meeting held October 20, 2020.
2. Review and file bills recapped as of Monday, October 26, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:  
Motion passed (7-0)

### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

**REVIEW AND CONSIDER REQUEST FROM BEVERLY HILLS LIONS CLUB TO SOLICIT DONATIONS FOR THEIR ANNUAL CANDY CANE COLLECTION**

The Beverly Hills Lions club respectfully requested permission to solicit donations in the Village of Beverly Hills for its annual Candy Cane Collection from November 25 to December 24, 2020. They also requested that the sign outside of the Village Office read: Support Lions Candy Cane Collection November 25 to December 24.

Motion by Mueller, second by Mooney, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council approves the request from the Beverly Hills Lions Club to solicit donations for their annual Candy Cane Collection from November 25 to December 24, 2020 and the following notice will be placed on the display sign outside of the Village Offices, provided there is no conflict: Support Lions Candy Cane Collection November 25 to December 24. Be it further resolved, the Lions Club shall send its Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the Village of Beverly Hills to the Clerk's office prior to the collection.

Roll Call Vote:  
Motion passed (7-0)

**REVIEW AND CONSIDER AGREEMENT FOR CARES ACT DISTRIBUTION BETWEEN OAKLAND COUNTY AND VILLAGE OF BEVERLY HILLS**

On the agenda for Council's review and consideration was an agreement with Oakland County for the distribution of Cares Act funding. Oakland County has allocated around \$30 million of Cares Act funding for local units of government to reimburse for expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Village is eligible for up to \$246,755.71 in funding through this program. Village Administration met with representatives of Oakland County to review the program. The Village will likely be submitting for reimbursement for eligible Public Safety payroll expenses for the month of June, plus any additional expenses that would be under our maximum allotment.

Mr. Ryan has reviewed this document and found it to be in order conditional to Administration and Council understanding the terms under Section 3. Village Administration has reviewed the terms of this section and is comfortable recommending approval.

Motion by Hrydziuszko, second by Mooney, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council approves and authorizes Village Administration to execute the Agreement for Cares Act Distribution Between Oakland County and the Village of Beverly Hills as submitted.

Roll Call Vote:  
Motion passed (7-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

**13 Mile Road Update** – Paving and construction work on 13 Mile has been completed. Between now and Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> the contractor will be making final pavement markings and returning traffic signals to their normal location and operation. The road will be open to two-way traffic by the morning of Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Road Commission will continue to monitor traffic signals for their timing and efficiency with the new road layout and make adjustments in

the next two weeks as necessary. The Village would like to thank everyone for the patience and cooperation during this project.

**Virtual Meetings Rules** – As discussed at the last Council meeting, the State has approved legislation allowing virtual meetings of public bodies through the end of his calendar year, and virtual attendance at public meetings under certain conditions in calendar year 2021. Local communities are in the process of developing regulations around virtual meetings to address this new legislation. In discussion with Mr. Ryan there are still some terms and sections of the law that are still being reviewed and clarified. Mr. Ryan will work with Administration to prepare a set of rules for the Village for review and consideration by the meeting of November 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Organizational Meeting** – As a reminder, Council has set an Organizational Meeting for Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 for the purpose of swearing in newly elected Councilmembers and selecting a President and President Pro-Tem. Should the election not be certified by the evening of November the 10<sup>th</sup>, the Organizational Meeting will be postponed to Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Diversifying Village Investments** – One of the items noted in our last audit was the amount of cash the Village had invested at Comerica Bank. The auditors suggested that the Village diversify some of our investment holdings. Finance Director McCarthy has investigated rates at local banks and recommends purchasing CD's from Flagstar Bank and Mi Bank at this time. All investments are reported in quarterly financial statements.

**Office Closed** – Village Offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veterans Day. Trash collection will not be interrupted.

**Sewer Backup Claims** – MMRMA is reviewing the claims that have been submitted to the Village and will be following up with residents directly.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

George encouraged people to vote in the election. He thanked Nunez for his service to the Village.

Hrydziuszko thanked Nunez, Mueller, and Mooney for their dedicated service to the Village.

Mueller expressed his sympathy to Mooney family and Abboud family for recent deaths in the families. He stated he appreciated Nunez's persistence on Council and said his ideas will not be lost. He thanked the residents for the last four years and said it was a pleasure and privilege to work for the residents.

Nunez expressed his appreciation to the people in Beverly Hills. He thanked the residents and hopes he helped them in some way. He advised everyone to look at the water/sewer issue methodically and not to jump to conclusions.

Mooney expressed his sympathy to the family of Bob Walsh. He spoke about the election and stated all the candidates are good people. He talked about Mr. Nunez's vision for the Village and assured him it will go forward if the millage passes. Mooney said it is an honor and a privilege to sit behind the Council desk. He commended each council member individually for their work and skills. He thanked past presidents Pugh and Koss. He thanked Wilson and Torongeau for their work for the Village. He encouraged everyone to allow for a bit more humor.

Abboud sent his condolences to the Walsh and Mooney families. He thanked Nunez for his strategic planning/thinking and encouraged him to remain involved. He stated that is an honor and privilege to be an American and thanked the residents.

Peddie thanked Council for having her as the Council President for the last two years. She stated that people get involved in public service to make a difference. She said the water issue is not an easy fix. She is looking forward to whoever joins the Council. She thanked Wilson and Torongeau for their help working with government.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Peddie, second by Mooney to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Motion passed.

**Lee Peddie**  
**Council President**

**Kristin Rutkowski**  
**Village Clerk**