

Present: President George, Pro Tem Drummond Members: Abboud, Hrydziuszko, Kecskemeti, Mercer, and O’Gorman

Absent: none

Also Present: Village Manager, Rothe
Village Clerk, Brown
Village Attorney, Ryan
Planning & Economic Development Director, Stec
Public Services Director, Johnston

ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President George called the regular Village Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers located at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025. Brown called the roll. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA/APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Abboud, second by Drummond, for the Beverly Hills Village Council to remove consent agenda item #2 Review and consider approval of minutes of the closed session Council meeting March 31, 2025.

Motion passed.

Motion by Hrydziuszko, second by Kecskemeti, the Beverly Hills Village Council approves the amended agenda.

Motion passed.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Karen Gilbert, Amherst, read the obituary of Cathie Evans Douglas.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hrydziuszko, second by O’Gorman, be it resolved, the consent agenda is approved.

1. Review and consider approval of minutes of the special Council meeting March 31, 2025.
2. Review and consider approval of minutes of a regular Council meeting held April 1, 2025.
3. Review and file bills recapped as of Monday, April 14, 2025.
4. Review and consider engineering costs for car ports and canopy.
5. Review and consider Lions Club Fun Run.
6. Review and consider temporary Traffic Control Order prohibiting parking on Pemberly Court.

Roll Call Vote:

Motion passed (7-0)

BUSINESS AGENDA

INTRODUCE ELIZABETH KUTEY AS FINANCE DIRECTOR

Rothe introduced the new Finance Director, Elizabeth Kutey. Kutey starts on Monday, May 5, 2025.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER AWARD FOR BID FOR PIERCE ROAD WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

Jack Nagle from Hubbell, Roth and Clark gave an overview of the pierce Road Water Main Replacement project and bids. Council and Nagle discussed bid amounts, reimbursement process and main connections for new homes.

Motion by Kecskemeti, second by Hrydziusko, for the Beverly Hills Village Council to table Business Agenda #8 to the next meeting. be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council awards Pierce St. Water Main Improvements Project contract to D'Angelo Brothers, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$1,386,485.00 subject to the contractor supplying the requisite bonds and insurance certificates. Funds are available in 592-900-972.05.

Motion passed (7-0)

REVIEW AND CONSIDER MORATORIUM FOR KEEPING OF FARM ANIMALS AND OTHER ANIMALS ORDINANCE

Administration and Council discussed the moratorium process for Keeping of Farm Animals and Other Animals Ordinance.

The following residents spoke on the matter:

Karen Gilbert, Amherst

Bill Eisenman, Valley Ridge Drive

Motion by Mercer, second by Abboud, now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Beverly Hills, the Village Council finds it reasonable and necessary to establish a moratorium hereby declared effective April 15, 2025, and effective for 90 days, concluding at midnight on July 13, 2025. This Resolution shall be published in the Eagle, a newspaper circulated within the village, and on the village's website. If it is found that the ordinance process cannot be completed in 90 days, the Village Council may extend the moratorium one time by Resolution for a period not to exceed 90 days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during the effective period of this moratorium any aggrieved property owner shall be entitled to hearing for the purpose of attempting to demonstrate to the Village Council the temporary moratorium pronounced in this this Resolution will result in the unnecessary interference with the use of their property or otherwise violates applicable provisions of state or federal constitutional law. Such hearing shall be conducted on an expedited basis before the Village Council. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Village Council shall make findings and conclusions with respect to whether the Petitioner has demonstrated this moratorium has unreasonably affected the use

of their property and/or this moratorium on its face or applied contains a violation of applicable law. If it is found and demonstrated that the deferral has the effect or precluding use of property or that it violates law or constitutional provision, the Village Council shall grant relief from the deferral to the degree necessary to cure the contravention.

Roll Call Vote:

Abboud	yes
Drummond	yes
George	yes
Hrydziusko	no
Kecskemeti	no
Mercer	yes
O’Gorman	yes

Motion passed (5-2)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Karen Gilbert, Amherst, believed the recent case concerning backyard chicken should have been appealed and believes putting the issue on the ballot will solve the issue.

David Tobaben, Orchard Way, suggested Council should put the backyard chicken issued on the ballot.

Denise Liberty, W 13 Mile, has yet to receive information in writing stating she is not responsible for the new sidewalks.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Rothe went over the Manager’s Report as provided in the Council meeting packet. Council inquired about Plante Moran cost and alternative Park donations.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mercer welcomed Rothe and Kutey and clarified he would be all for a ballot initiative. Mercer stated he would not be able to attend the Park Clean Up due to the Michigan State University graduation.

Kecskemeti appreciates Mr. Ryan’s counsel and believes everyone can have a conversation on the issue. Kecskemeti believes we can disagree without being disagreeable. Kecskemeti welcomed Rothe and Kutey.

Hrydziusko gave warm a welcome to Rothe and reminded everyone that the Parks & Recreation Board meeting is on Thursday and next month the Board meets at Beverly Park. Hrydziusko offered her assistance to any resident who needs help over the next 90 days due to the moratorium.

Abboud welcomed both Rothe and Kutey and gave updates on MML, SEMCOG, Cable Board and NEXT. Abboud thinks the way to resolve the backyard chicken issue is to put the issue on the ballot.

Drummond welcomed Kutey and Rothe to the team.

George stated that he was glad to have Rothe and feels good about where the staff is at. George stated that they were successful in getting ROW donated from BPS and the money that was planned to be used can now go elsewhere. George also inquired about getting someone from the deer coalition to speak with the Village.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Abboud, second by Kecskemeti, to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Motion passed.

John George
Council President

Carissa Brown
Village Clerk