

Present: President Peddie; President Pro-Tem Abboud; Members: George, Hrydziuszko, Mooney, Mueller, and Nunez

Absent: None

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

Peddie 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. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

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

Motion by Mooney, second by Mueller, to approve the agenda.

Motion passed.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Greg Burry, Pierce St., announced that Birmingham Next will be hosting its annual Oktoberfest on September 12 at Beverly Park.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

1. Review and consider approval of minutes of a regular Council meeting held August 20, 2019.
2. Review and file bills recapped as of Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

Roll Call Vote:

Motion passed (7-0)

### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

#### **PRESENTATION ON SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SEMCOG)**

The Council viewed a short video outlining the services SEMCOG provides and a thank you for the support local governments give in return. SEMCOG provides resources for 172 communities throughout Southeast Michigan. These include classes, data research, maps, and workshops.

#### **REVIEW AND CONSIDER SUBCOMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION ON BIRMINGHAM AREA CABLE BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

The Council Subcommittee; chair – Mooney and members – Mueller, Nunez; met at 7:15 pm in the Council Chamber to interview the candidates for the available positions.

Three vacancies (two full terms ending June 30, 2022; one partial term ending June 30, 2021) Robert Borgon is seeking reappointment. Borgon was most recently appointed in November of 2016. Attendance is 94%. Gilbert Gugni is seeking reappointment. Gugni was appointed in August of 2016. Attendance is 85%. Gregory Burry is seeking appointment.

Motion by Mooney, second by Mueller, that the Village Council reappoint Borgon and Gugni to the Birmingham Area Cable Board with terms to expire on June 30, 2022.

Motion passed.

Motion by Mooney, second by Mueller, that the Village Council appoint Burry to the Birmingham Area Cable Board with terms to expire on June 30, 2021.

Motion passed.

**REVIEW AND CONSIDER 2020 VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

The Village Council must annually adopt a meeting schedule and post it for the public. This schedule is also used in the Village calendar. The Village Council generally meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. A proposed schedule is listed below:

**2020 Regular Village Council Meeting Schedule**

January 7	July 7
January 21	July 21
February 4	August 4
February 18	August 18
March 3	September 1
March 17	September 15
April 7	October 6
April 21	October 20
May 5	November 3
May 19	November 17
June 2	December 1
June 16	December 15

**2020 Joint Meeting Schedule**

Thursday, January 23 – Joint Council and Parks & Recreation Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 12 – Joint Council and Planning Commission Meeting

Motion by Hrydziuszko, second by Mooney, that the Village Council hereby adopts the meeting schedule for calendar year 2020 listed above.

Motion passed.

**REVIEW AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM (MERS) CONTRACTS AND SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASE APPROVALS**

The Municipal Employees’ Retirement System has requested that the Village update our authorized signatories for MERS Documents. Currently, only the “fiduciary” is authorized to sign MERS Documents on behalf of the Village. I am currently listed as the fiduciary for the Village. The attached resolution for review and consideration would establish the Village Manager, Village Clerk and Finance Director as authorized signatories for the Village of Beverly Hills. This authorization would be connected to the position and not individuals so there would be no need to change the resolution upon any changes in these positions. This resolution would not alter the approval process for any MERS document relative to required approvals by the Governing Body (Village Council), only who could execute the documents on behalf of the Village once approved. As drafted, this resolution would establish the Village Manager, Village Clerk or Finance Director and authorized signatories for the Village.

Motion by Mooney, second by Hrydziusko, be it resolved that Village Council approves and authorizes the Village Manager to sign the MERS Resolution Establishing Authorized Signatories for MERS Contracts and Service Credit Approvals.

Roll call vote:  
Motion passed (7-0)

**REVIEW AND CONSIDER MERS 457 PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT REVISION AND LOAN ADDENDUM**

The Village currently offers a 457 Plan through MERS. The 457 Plan is a voluntary defined contribution plan that eligible employees may participate in. There are provisions by which eligible employees may take loans from their 457 plans and make repayments to MERS. There is no cost to the employer (Village) for these loans. Loan amounts and repayment terms are set by MERS. Employers must opt in in order for employees to eligible to utilize such a loan. MERS has provided a revised 457 Participation Agreement and Loan Addendum that would establish this option for eligible Village employees who participate in this program.

Motion by George, second by Mooney, be it resolved that Village Council approve and authorize the Village Manager to sign the MERS 457 Participation Agreement Amendment and MERS 457 Loan Addendum as submitted.

Roll call vote:  
Motion passed (7-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**MANAGER’S REPORT**

**13 Mile and Lahser Rd. Construction** – Consumers Energy is completing their work at the intersection of 13 Mile and Lasher and will be removing traffic control by the end of Labor Day. Restoration work in this area will be ongoing, but there should be no disruption to the regular

traffic flow. The project is permitted through Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> and the Village appreciates Consumers working with us to complete this early.

**School Crosswalks** – The crosswalk across 14 Mile to Berkshire Elementary has been completed. As a reminder, the crosswalk location was moved as the old crosswalk ended at a driveway entrance to the school. The new crosswalk is clear of the driveway and has been signed with new flashing crosswalk signs. A similar project will be completed soon on Evergreen crossing from South Waltham to the Groves campus. The existing crosswalk is being moved to the north and will also be signed with flashing crosswalk signs. We are awaiting the repainting of the crosswalk markings to complete the other walk and install the new signs. Temporary crosswalk signs will be placed in the roadway at the existing crosswalk until the new crosswalk is completed.

**Southfield and Beverly Intersection** – After a few accidents at the intersection of Southfield and Beverly Village Administration has requested a meeting with the Road Commission to discuss traffic flow through this intersection and signalization. Public Safety has compiled the recent accident data for this intersection. In 2018 there were 8 incidents reported here; four being rear in crashes, 2 sideswipe crashes, one left turn collision and one single vehicle crash. For 2019 there have been 5 incidents here with four of those involving someone running a red light and crashing into another vehicle. The number of recent red-light collisions is concerning as these crashes tend to be more severe. There are other intersections with higher incident volumes (13 Mile and Southfield, 13 Mile and Lahser) but the recent number of red-light crashes at this location warrants discussion. The Road Commission has scheduled a meeting with Village Administration next week to discuss the matter.

The Council suggested lowering the speed limit at the Southfield and Beverly intersection to assist in slowing traffic down.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

George thanked Administration for the newly installed crosswalks. He asked that Administration have the donation bins on Southfield Road be removed.

Hrydziuszko reported the Planning Commission approved a sign that had been granted a variance by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Planning Commission approved the guard shack request made by Detroit Country Day School.

Mueller invited residents to attend the Read in the Park on Saturday, September 28 at Beverly Park. He also announced there would be a Park Clean Up event on Saturday, October 5.

Mooney reported that with changes to cable packages they may have to use PEG or franchise fees. He thanked Hrydziuszko for serving as Planning Commission liaison. He spoke about the years invested into the Village overlay, and the vision the overlay set forth for the Village.

Abboud thanked SEMCOG for all they offer to municipalities.

Motion by Mooney, second by Abboud, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Motion passed.

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

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

**Elizabeth M. Lyons**  
**Recording Secretary**