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**OXFORD VILLAGE COUNCIL
TELECONFERENCE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Call-In Access Number (701) 802-5176 Meeting Code: 1531799

Village Council Members: David Bailey, Maureen Helmuth, Joe Frost, Allison Kemp, Kelsey Cooke

**22 West Burdick Street
Oxford, MI 48371**

July 14, 2020

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- 1.) **CALL TO ORDER:** President Joe Frost called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. This is a teleconference meeting per Governor Whitmer’s Executive Order No. 2020-75.
 - 2.) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** With Moment of Silence.
 - 3.) **ROLL CALL** Attendance Members Present: Bailey, Cooke, Frost, Kemp, Helmuth. Absent: 0. Staff Present: Village Manager Joseph Madore, Attorney Robert Davis, Police Chief Mike Solwold, Recording Secretary Clerk/Treasurer, Tere Onica.
 - 4.) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** July 14, 2020.
MOTION: by Helmuth/Kemp to approve the July 14, 2020 telecommunication meeting agenda.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5. Frost, Bailey, Kemp, Helmuth, Cooke. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.
 - 5.) **PRESENTATIONS:** Dave Weckle gave update on the PUD project. Progress has been slow due to COVID-19 and the M-24 MDOT project. Weckle will be cutting in the approach starting Monday. Current extension deadline is the end of August. Council President Frost recommended adjusting the August deadline at the next regular meeting.
 - 6.) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
 - Connie Ogg, no comment.
 - Kevin Kadrich, 724 Woodleigh Way- Correspondence from Oxford Lake.
 - Larry Albrecht- Illegally parked vehicles in Oxford Lakes subdivision. Association has chosen not to follow up on the issue.
 - Dave & Marianne Baxter-support the idea that residents have access to their livelihood.
 - Lori Bourgeau-thanked the council for the moratorium on commercial vehicles. Definition
 - Andy Murdock- vehicle is a Silverado and can take his signs off his truck.
 - Manager Madore- Commented that Mr. Murdock’s truck did not qualify as a “commercial vehicle.”
 - Kelly Arkles- Supports the moratorium and review of ordinance.
 - Ben Bourgeau-Goyette van. Serves Oakland County and Detroit hospitals. Essential worker that needs vehicle at his residence. Has been a resident since 2013 before the ordinance came in affect.
 - Maureen Helmuth- Some of the vehicles in the correspondence photographs are not in violation. Village does not enforce HOA rules, only ordinances.
 - Cathy Hafeli- was told the Village Ordinance was the same as the HOA. Respects the moratorium. Nothing has been done over the years and violations have escalated. Been threatened by neighbors.
 - Cindy Stoll- husband had to put up with this ordinance and she hopes the ordinance will be amended.
 - Joe Frost asked for the ordinance to be reviewed at next meeting commenting on the reason for the moratorium and importance of people working from home to maintain their livelihood.
 - 7.) **CONSENT AGENDA:** Correspondence from Dennis Moser and Cathy Hafeli on commercial

46 vehicle parking.
47 **MOTION:** by Helmuth/Kemp to receive and file Consent Agenda items under 8(a),
48 Correspondence, Letters, Reports and Minutes as presented.
49 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: 5. Cooke, Frost, Helmuth, Kemp, Bailey. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion
50 carried.
51 **MOTION:** by Helmuth /Kemp to approve items 8(c)(i), (ii) and (iii) with bills in the amount of
52 \$317,792.38 as presented.
53 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: 5. Frost, Bailey, Kemp, Helmuth, Cooke. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion
54 carried.
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56 **8.) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.
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58 **9.) NEW BUSINESS:**

59 **a. Oakland-Macomb Interceptor Drain Extension and Improvement Project Series**
60 **2020A Bonds- Resolution 20-09**

61 **MOTION:** by Cooke/Helmuth to prepay Bond Series 2020A in in the amount of
62 \$492,748.06 from the Sewer Fund at a savings of \$129,195.05 in interest and finance
63 charges leaving a remaining balance in the Sewer Fund of \$573,987.94 as presented in
64 Resolution 20-09.

65 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: 5. Bailey, Kemp, Helmuth, Cooke, Frost. Nays: 0. Absent: 0.
66 Motion carried.
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68 **b. Semi-Truck Exhaust Brake Prohibition Consideration**

69 Memo from September 4, 2014 on “Jake Brakes” was reviewed. This is a form of exhaust
70 braking. No reason for that in the village. There is a State Law that needs to be reviewed to
71 see what we are authorized to do about it. Can present options on next agenda. The
72 problem may remedy itself once the M-24 construction is done.

73 **MOTION:** by Kemp/Bailey to have Attorney Davis update the research memo and review
74 State Law to determine if the village can pursue an ordinance.

75 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes, 5. Kemp, Helmuth, Cooke, Frost, Bailey. Nays: 0. Absent:0.
76 Motion carried.
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78 **c. GFL Residential Contract Extension:** GFL price comparison for Village of Oxford
79 extension was presented. Service and rates are favorable. A five-year extension was
80 discussed. The possibility of changing the pick-up date to earlier in the week was suggested
81 for consideration.

82 **MOTION:** by Frost/Helmuth to allow the Village Manager to work with Village Attorney
83 Davis to work out a five year contract for weekly garbage, recycling and seasonal yard
84 waste services with Green For Life with a beginning price of \$14.50 per month with a
85 2.875 increase annually as noted in the GFL extension offer.

86 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: 5. Helmuth, Cooke, Frost, Bailey, Kemp. Nays: 0. Absent: 0.
87 Motion carried.
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89 **d. DDA By-Laws, Recommendation for Appointment:** Oxford Township would like to
90 have a voting member from the Township Board of Trustees on the DDA. That changes the
91 composition from 9 members to 12. Trustee Nold submitted resume. By-law changes and

92 recommendation for appointment were made by Oxford Township.
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94 **MOTION:** by Frost/Helmuth to adopt the amended DDA by-laws as presented.

95 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: 5. Cooke, Frost, Bailey, Kemp, Helmuth. Nays: 0

96 Absent: 0. Motion carried.

97 **MOTION:** by Frost/ Cooke to appoint Jonathan Nold, Oxford Township Trustee as
98 recommended by Oxford Township to fill the Elgin Nichols vacancy expiring in November
99 2020.

100 **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: 5. Cooke, Frost, Bailey, Kemp, Helmuth. Nays: 0

101 Absent: 0. Motion carried.

102 It was pointed out by the Village Manager that Elgin Nichols vacancy was filled. This
103 appointment would be for one of the new seats. He could hold the seat until elected and then
104 would have to be reappointed. The three new seats would have to be staggered. The Village
105 Manager will assign offsetting terms of office for the three newly established seats.
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107 **9.) ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:** None.

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109 **10.) PUBLIC COMMENT:**

110 Lori Bourgeau- Commented on a neighborhood call to action.
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112 **11.) COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Communication Committee- directory and word on the street.
113 Committee purpose has come to an end. Polly Ann Trail- bottle/can return truck has been
114 emptied. Banners will be permitted downtown through completion of construction. DDA
115 update provided.
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117 **12.) MANAGER, STAFF, & ATTORNEY REPORTS:**

118 Banner proof sent to MDOT for approval today. Work in the water line area-learning about
119 lead and copper rules, taking advantage of the road construction to replace water lines. Union
120 negotiations ongoing.
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122 **13.) COUNCIL COMMENTS**
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124 **14.) ADJOURNMENT:**

125 **MOTION:** by Helmuth /Kemp to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. All in favor by voice vote. Motion
126 Carried.
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129 Respectfully Submitted,
130 Teresa L. Onica, Recording Secretary


Joe Frost, President

