



**MINUTES**  
**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**DOUGLAS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**86 W. CENTER STREET, DOUGLAS, MI 49406**  
**August 19, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order** by Mayor Anderson at 7:00 P.M.
2. **Roll Call:** Present – Anderson, Harvath, Seabert, North, Lion, Mooradian  
Absent/Excused – Miller  
Also Present – City Manager LaBombard, City Clerk Alderink, City Treasurer Carpenter, City Planner Imus, Chief Kent, and DPW Director Vogel.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Mayor Anderson
4. **Consent Calendar**
  - A. Approval of Agenda for August 19, 2019
  - B. Approval of Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2019
  - C. Approval of Closed Session Council Minutes of August 5, 2019
  - D. Approval of Invoices in the Amount of \$113,114.42
  - E. Appointments:
    1. Appoint Kim Neuens to DDA – Term ending January 2021
    2. Planning Commission – 1 vacancy
    3. ZBA – 1 vacancy
    4. DDA – 1 vacancy

Invoices were pulled for discussion.  
Motion by Seabert, with support from Lion, to approve the consent calendar as presented.  
Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
5. **Public Communications**
  - A. Verbal (Limit of three (3) minutes on agenda items only)
  - B. Written Communications
    1. Lakeshore Harvest Ride
    2. Art' A Loan
    3. Saugatuck Fire Department
    4. Jean Crawford Letter – Council sent to Police Dept. for review.
6. **Unfinished Business**
  - A. Poet Laurette – Jack Ridl  
Mayor Anderson presented a Proclamation of appointment as official City of Douglas Poet Laurette. Ridle entertained those present with a few readings.
  - B. Republic Services – Kerry Rattinger  
Following Council discussion it was determined that the City of Douglas would move to using recycle bins and eliminate the use of the yellow bag system. Mr. Rattinger was

directed to work directly with City Manager LaBombard on any matters related to the transition.

C. Ordinance No. 04-2019 Consumers Energy Franchise  
Motion by Seabert, with support from Harvath, to approve the Consumers Energy Franchise Agreement as presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**7. New Business**

A. Commission / Committee / Board Reports

1. Planning – Current Chairperson has stepped down due to health issues. Meeting discussion items: Marijuana licensing, Sign Ordinance, Form Based Code. All discussion items remain on the table for discussion.
2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water Authority - Copper and Lead changes were discussed, as well as who would be responsible for testing and inventory identifying which lines were copper/lead. LaFevere suggested council act on the Prein Newhof proposal soon. The master metering project has been completed; the exception is in Douglas was the final metering will not be completed until the end of tourism season. The audit has been completed and the Authority has around 3 million on hand.
3. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority- No report
4. DDA – Chairs will be auctioned at the last social. Streetscape money has been straightened out. DDA still needs two members.
5. Douglas Harbor Authority – No report
6. Douglas Brownfield Authority – No report
7. Fireboard – Frequent caller issues will be handled from the cost recovery policy. There will be no October open house this year. Mooradian addressed a recent editorial from a Fire Board member regarding the Douglas bike trail, this member was openly reprimanded by her in the meeting.
8. Community Rec. – No report

B. Staff Reports

1. Community Development / Planning / Zoning – Imus held the first sign committee meeting. Mr. Robert Kenny is now chair of Planning. 14 Ferry St. is slated for demolition.
2. Finance / Budget – City financials are well.
3. Manager’s Report / Comments – A request to use 200 Blue Star building for active shooter practice was denied by council. Charging station must be installed at Beery Field.

**8. Public Communications – None**

**9. Council Comments**

Lion thanked DPW for removing goose droppings from Wade’s Bayou. It is her belief that Ferry St. needs sidewalks as it is very unsafe.  
Mooradian applauded the City Treasurer for his great work, and requested an update on the dumpster in front of Wade’s Cottage.

North thanked Mooradian for standing up for Douglas at the Fire Board meeting.  
Seabert recognized DPW crew for the work completed on the Douglas Beach.  
Harvath expressed concerns with the speeding on Main St. and would like to have council begin to look into controlling the deer population.

**10. Mayor's Report / Comments** – Anderson thanked Mooradian, Bill LaFevere, and LaBombard for standing up for Douglas. Please to see the Planning Commission will be attending training.

**11. Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Linda Anderson, Mayor Date

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela Aalderink, City Clerk Date