

VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
*July 1, 2019*

The regular meeting of the Westphalia Village Council was called to order by President Dean Kohagen at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance given to the flag.

**Council Member, Attendance:** Phil Smith                      Dean Kohagen, President                      Sandy Smith, Clerk  
Steve Miller                      Kevin Krzeminski                      Nort Upson  
Dave Boswell                      Tim Fandel, Pres. Pro-Tem

**Minutes & Agenda:** Member Upson made the motion, supported by Member Smith to approve the agenda and the minutes of the June 3, 2019 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**Water/Sewer:** DPW Supervisor Steve Miller reported that the new valves needed on the water/sewer system will be installed next week. The Michigan Rural Water Association will be doing a water/sewer rate study within the next six months. Depending on the findings of the study, rates may need to be adjusted sometime next year. Water retention areas within the Village where discussed. With the extremely wet spring some of these areas seemed overly full. However, they are functioning as they should by holding the excess water until it can be absorbed into the soil. These areas are doing what they were engineered to do. Copies of the 2018 Water Quality Report will be distributed throughout the village. If you did not get a copy and would like one please stop by the Village Municipal Center.

**Financial:** A motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of June for all funds was made by Member Fandel, supported by Member Smith. Motion carried. Clerk Smith presented the 2019-2020 Operating Budget and budget meeting minutes. Member Fandel made a motion to approve and Member Miller made seconded. Motion carried.

**Building & Zoning:** None at this time.

**Streets:** Council discussed the feasibility of undertaking Phase II of the Downtown Improvement Project, which is the first block of East Main Street, possibly in the fall of 2020. Discussion followed.

**Community Services:** Member Upson made a motion to approve the Ambulance Contract Renewal contingent on the costs remaining the same as the previous year. Member Boswell seconded. Motion carried. The Village and Westphalia Township are pleased to announce their joint effort in adding another recycling weekend each month. We will have recycling the 1<sup>st</sup> and newly added 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month behind the Village Municipal Center. Hopefully this will help alleviate the overflow we have been experiencing by having recycling only one weekend per month. Please remember to break down cardboard boxes before placing them in the recycle container.

**Planning Commission:** The next meeting is August 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

**Next Council Meeting:** August 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Moved by Member Smith supported by Member Boswell. Motion carried.