## VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA COUNCIL MEETING October 3, 2016

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: Steve Miller Phil Smith Dean Kohagen, President

Dave Boswell Sandy Smith,

Tim Fandel Kevin Krzeminski Nort Upson, Pres. Pro-Tem

Guests, Present: Jim Bierstetel, DPW Supervisor

<u>Minutes & Agenda:</u> Member Smith made the motion, supported by Member Upson to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2016 regular meeting and the meeting agenda with additions. Motion carried.

**<u>Financial:</u>** Motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of September for all funds was made by Member Smith. Member Fandel seconded. Motion carried. The Council approved payment to the independent third party who reviewed the current year audit.

**Building & Zoning:** Member Boswell presented Zoning Permit 2016-14, Ed Baldwin, 306 S. Heyer, ramp. Member Boswell made a motion to approve 2016-14. Member Fandel seconded. Motion carried. Member Boswell presented Zoning Permit 2016-15, Pung Foundation for commercial building at 401 Main Street. Discussions followed. Permit does not meet set back requirements. Member Boswell made a motion to deny permit number 2016-15 because of setback. Member Krzeminski seconded. Motion carried.

<u>Streets:</u> President Kohagen shared with the council a letter from Bruce Pindzia from Fleis & Vandenbrink with regards to the downtown business district project to bury some powerlines, new lighting, asphalt, and sidewalks. Discussion followed. President Kohagen to get clarification on a few items included in the letter.

**Planning Commission:** The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2016. The Planning Commission is currently working on the downtown business district streetscape project.

<u>Community Service:</u> The Halloween Trick-or-Treating hours were set for 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Michigan Vietnam Veteran Traveling Memorial passed through Westphalia on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Many residents and elementary students were there to greet the procession. The Westphalia Historical Society's third annual Cemetery Walk at St. Mary's Cemetery as well as the Oktoberfest were successful.

*Next Council Meeting:* November 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Moved by Member Smith supported by Member Fandel. Motion carried.

## Please note:

- #1 Dumping of grass clippings in village ditches is prohibited. Clippings interfere with the nature flow of water that needs to occur to prevent flooding.
- #2 Dumping of scrape metal (i.e. grills) behind the DPW building is prohibited.
- #3 Dumping of building materials behind the DPW building is prohibited. Only grass clippings, leaves, and brush.
- #4 The taking of sand and gravel is also prohibited without payment. Contact the DPW before taking of any sand and gravel.

Please contact DPW at 989-587-6906 if you have any questions on the policies of the Municipal Center.

Halloween Trick-or-Treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.