

**NOTICE
VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023
6:00 P.M. (CST) – 7:00 P.M. (EST)**

**GRAND BEACH VILLAGE HALL
48200 PERKINS BLVD.
GRAND BEACH, MI 49117**

**MASKS ARE SUGGESTED AT THIS MEETING
FOR EVERYONE IN ATTENDANCE**

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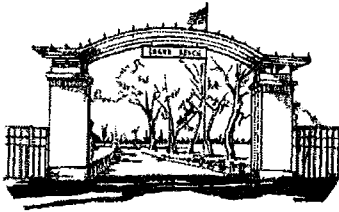
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**MARY J. ROBERTSON
CLERK – TREASURER
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Village of Grand Beach
48200 Perkins Blvd.
Grand Beach, MI 49117

**AGENDA FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2023
6:00 P.M. CST - 7:00 P.M. EST**

MASKS ARE SUGGESTED FOR EVERYONE IN ATTENDANCE

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approve Village Council Minutes:
 - i. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2022
 - b. Pay Bills with Written Additions
4. Public Comments on Agenda Items
5. Presentations/Recognition
6. Public Hearing
7. Commission Reports
 - a. Building & Zoning - Harry Walder
 - b. Parks & Beaches - Peter Doerr
 - c. Streets & Water - James Bracewell
 - d. Police - Edward Brandes
 - e. Pro Shop & Course - Blake O'Halloran

 - f. ServiScape Report - Clay Putnam
8. Personnel Reports
 - a. Superintendent - Bob Dabbs
 - b. Police Chief - Ryan Layman
 - c. Building Inspector - Bill Lambert

AGENDA (CONTINUED)
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2023

9. Unfinished Business

- a. Request Use of Lake Avenue Beach Access for Revetment Work
- b. Appoint Planning Commission Member to Partial Term Ending August 31, 2025
- c. Appoint Planning Commission Member to Partial Term Ending August 31, 2024

10. New Business

- a. Rules of Procedure
- b. Repeal Wage Ordinance No. 46
- c. Proposal for Water Department Computer & Software
- d. Purchase TV Monitor and Mounting Brackets for Council Room
- e. Purchase TV Monitor and Mounting Brackets for Building Inspection
- f. Purchase iPad and Cellular Service for Building Inspection Fund
- g. Discuss Beach Access Use and Fee of \$10,000
- h. Resolution to Adopt Hazard Mitigation Plan
- i. Resolution of Support for Berrien County Trails Master Plan
- j. Appoint Harry Walder as Ex-Officio Member to the Planning Commission with Term ending August 31, 2023
- k. Appoint Master Plan Task Force
- l. Appoint Parks and Recreation Committee Member to Term Ending November 30, 2023
- m. Appoint Parks and Recreation Committee Member to Term Ending November 30, 2024

11. Public Comments - General

12. Correspondence

13. Adjournment

**VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Clerk Mary Robertson called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. EST. Present at the meeting were James Bracewell, Edward Brandes, Peter Doerr and Harry Walder. Blake O'Halloran was not in attendance.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

Clerk Mary Robertson announced that the Certification of Election Results have been received from the Board of Canvassers showing the following results:

Village Council Member Four-Year Term (3 winners)

Edward P. Brandes	123
Peter Doerr	131
Harry Walder	113

Elizabeth Grim Vaughan 92

ADOPT AGENDA

Walder moved, seconded by Brandes to adopt the December 14, 2022 agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Village Council Minutes:
 - i. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2022
- b. Hall Rental Request
 - i. Winter Warriors – January 20, 2023
 - ii. New Buffalo High School
 - iii. Kristine Daley, Approved by Social Club
- c. Pay Bills with Written Additions

Walder moved, seconded by Brandes to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Village resident Debbie Lindley spoke to the Council regarding trash can removal and stated that when the ordinance was adopted, the trash can removal was to be year-round, adding that in the winter, empty cans blow around.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

None

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Doerr moved, seconded by Brandes to nominate Walder as president. With no other nominations, Walder was named president 3-1 with Brandes, Doerr and Walder voting aye and Bracewell voting nay.

PRESIDENT PRO TEM

Brandes moved, seconded by Doerr to nominate O’Halloran to serve as president pro tem and with no other nominations, O’Halloran was named president pro tem 3-1 with Brandes, Doerr, and Walder voting aye and Bracewell voting nay.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS

Walder appointed the following officials:

- Mary Robertson – Clerk-Treasurer
- Harry Walder - Building & Zoning Commissioner
- Peter Doerr - Parks Commissioner and Beach Commissioner
- James Bracewell - Street Commissioner and Water Commissioner
- Edward Brandes - Police Commissioner
- Blake O’Halloran - Golf and Pro Shop Commissioner

Walder moved, seconded by Brandes to approve the appointment of officials. Motion carried 3-1 with Brandes, Doerr and Walder voting aye and Bracewell voting nay.

SERVISCAPE REPORT

In addition to his written report, Clay Putnam said that snow mold applications have been made to the greens for winter protection and stakes have been placed around the greens.

PERSONNEL REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT: In addition to his written report, Superintendent Bob Dabbs said they are getting caught up on the leaves, although people are still putting leaves out. He said that the guys are letting them know that the leaves won’t be picked up if put out past the deadline. He said when they put in a drywell along Grand Beach Road, the asphalt plants were closed, so they put down gravel. The gravel is sinking, so they are going to add cold patch for now.

POLICE CHIEF: Chief Ryan Layman introduced Michiana’s Police Commissioner Tim McCarthy. In addition to his written report, Layman said there were 35 complaints in November which included one reported break in. He said they are still trying to figure out the break in since nothing was taken from the detached pool house.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Bill Lambert was not in attendance. Assistant building inspector Chad Butler said that they have been making their rounds and inspecting jobs as usual. He said there have been a couple of small permits issued since the last meeting, but no new permits for houses.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REQUEST TO PURCHASE A PORTION OF JENSEN COURT

Bob Vanecko of 50015 Calla Avenue addressed the Council regarding a driveway which is located on Village property on Jensen Court. He said the previous owner used the property as their driveway for many years, and he thought it was part of the property he bought. He said that he is interested in buying a portion of the Jensen Court property if the Council agrees to it. He told the Council he will pay for an appraiser of their choice, and will buy the property at that price as long as there is some flexibility in case the appraiser comes up with an astronomical number that he isn’t willing to pay.

After discussion, Walder said that Doerr will follow up with Vanecko regarding the property.

SIGNAGE

Bracewell said he would like to discuss with the Council members the current sign regulations which don't include time limitations, after seeing election signs up for 7 1/2 weeks. He is also concerned with the size and length of time that real estate signs are up, adding that in this digital age, the Village needs to look at the sign regulations. He would like the police department to remove signs that aren't allowed and measure real estate signs that might exceed the size regulations. Police Chief Ryan Layman stated that the sign regulations are contained in the Zoning Ordinance, so they should be handled by the building inspector/zoning administrator, and if citations are needed, the police department can issue citations.

NEW BUSINESS

ROB ANDREW, MERRITT MIDWEST – EGLE CORRESPONDENCE

Rob Andrew of Merritt Midwest told the Council that they have had the privilege of providing engineering services for the Village for years, and in this case, dealing with water. He said that every few years, Environmental Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) visits every water system in the state to do a water survey. They met with Superintendent Bob Dabbs earlier in the year to complete the water survey.

He said they found basic deficiencies in the system and made recommendations which were reported in a letter received by the Village. He said that none of the deficiencies are dangerous and there will no fines involved. He said that Dabbs is working on the list, and Merritt will be assisting with part of the work. He said he is comfortable that they can meet the June deadline.

ADD AUTHORIZED BANK ACCOUNT SIGNERS

Bracewell moved, seconded by Doerr to authorize bank account signers as Clerk-Treasurer Mary Robertson, Deputy Clerk Katharine Butler and Council members James Bracewell, Blake O'Halloran, Harry Walder and Edward Brandes. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

MEETING SCHEDULE 2023

Doerr moved, seconded by Brandes to approve the 2023 meeting schedule as presented. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

RESOLUTION TO OPT OUT OF PA 152 OF 2011

Bracewell moved, seconded by Doerr to adopt a resolution to opt out of PA 152 of 2011 as presented. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

BIDS FOR ROOF ON VILLAGE HALL AND MAINTENANCE BUILDING

Walder said that he reviewed both bids for replacing the roofs, and is not clear on whether they can compare apples to apples. He said he will sit down with Bob Dabbs to create a spreadsheet in order to see what each bidder has included. Walder tabled this item.

BID FOR TUCKPOINTING FIREPLACE

Walder said he would like to work with Bob Dabbs on the bid for tuckpointing the fireplace. Walder tabled this item.

BS&A SOFTWARE PURCHASE

Deputy Clerk Kathie Butler explained that the Council had previously approved the purchase of BS&A utility billing and receipting modules, and then found out that it would be 18 months before everything would be operational. She said since it is going to take so long, it makes sense to purchase all the modules of BS&A at one time which will also include the general ledger, accounts payable and payroll.

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Walder moved, seconded by Brandes to amend the motion previously adopted to now read to approve the BS&A software purchase for the general ledger, accounts payable, cash receipting, utility billing, and payroll at a cost of \$48,945 as presented, with the General fund paying 50%, Water Fund 25%, Golf Fund 12.5% and the Building Inspection Fund 12.5% and to approve a budget amendment in the Building Inspection Fund in the amount of \$1,000 for the purchase. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

Clerk Mary Robertson stated that the annual support fee is included in the first year, and will be allocated in the same manner in each year going forward.

TRASH CAN REMOVAL

Doerr said that trash cans have not been pulled back. The Council discussed the trash can issue and stated that the trash cans should be moved back year-round by the maintenance department.

REQUEST USE OF LAKE AVENUE BEACH ACCESS FOR REVETMENT WORK

Bracewell said that when he was working with Arie Donkersloot regarding use of the beach access to do work in Forest Beach, he set a price for work outside of the Village. He thought there would be a tier of fees created and residents of the Village might get relief. Village Attorney Sara Senica previously stated that if the Village charges for the use of the beach access, the fees should be consistent.

Brandes said that the roads are damaged by the heavy equipment and there should be a charge for use of the accesses.

Walder said Arie Donkersloot just fixed the Lake Avenue access and it will be torn up again, so we need to make sure there is documentation that says they will repair the access to the condition it was in when they got there, or better, and the Council needs to set a fee. He would like the contractor to attend the January meeting to talk to the Council about the request. He would also like to set fees for use of beach accesses at the next meeting, stating that he is considering \$10,000. Walder tabled this item.

TRANSFER FUNDS TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND PER FY 22-23 BUDGET

Walder moved, seconded by Bracewell to move \$15,000 for roof repairs and \$15,000 for the purchase of BS&A software from the General Fund to Capital Projects as budgeted for 2022-2023. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. GENERAL FUND FY 21-22
2. WATER FUND FY 21-22
3. LOCAL STREETS FUND FY 21-22
4. GENERAL FUND FY 22-23
5. WATER FUND FY 22-23
6. GOLF FUND FY 22-23
7. MAJOR STREET FUND FY 22-23
8. LOCAL STREET FUND FY 22-23

Bracewell moved, seconded by Doerr to approve budget amendments for the General Fund, Water Fund and Local Street Funds for fiscal year 2021-2022 and to approve budget amendments for the General Fund, Water Fund, Golf Fund, Major Street Fund and Local Street Fund for fiscal year 2022-2023 as presented. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

FRANK GIGLIO'S RESIGNATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

Walder said that Frank Giglio submitted his resignation from the Planning Commission and thanked him for his work.

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Walder moved, seconded by Doerr to accept Frank Giglio's resignation. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

HARRY WALDER'S RESIGNATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION, PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE AND GOLF COMMITTEE

Brandes moved, seconded by Doerr to accept Harry Walders resignation from the planning commission, parks and recreation committee and golf committee. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

APPOINT PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER TO PARTIAL TERM ENDING AUGUST 31, 2025

Walder stated that Planning Commission Chair recommended that Paul Leonard be appointed to the Planning Commission for a partial term ending August 31, 2025.

APPOINT PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER TO PARTIAL TERM ENDING AUGUST 31, 2024

Walder stated that Planning Commission Chair recommended that Liz Grim Vaughan be appointed to the Planning Commission for a partial term ending August 31, 2024.

Walder said he would like to sit down and talk to Leonard and Grim. Walder tabled the appointments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Village resident Bob Barnes said that he looked at the property where the Lake Avenue beach access use is requested and noticed that they have revetment there, so this is not an emergency. He said he thinks they probably want to build up the revetment.

Village resident Paul Leonard said that on the issue of consistent application for use of the beach access for residents, he understood that what Attorney Sara Senica is saying is not about the amount of money, but the criteria for the use of the access. He would encourage the Council to think about criteria and come up with a fee schedule.

Village resident Tina Shanahan suggested that the Council create a daily use fee for beach access use instead of a dollar amount since the heavy equipment is tearing up the roads and costing the Village.

Village resident Laurie Roche thanked Bracewell for his many years on the Planning Commission. She said that about 10 years ago the Village was full of signs, and it looked like Grand Beach was for sale. She said at that time, they didn't have political signs to consider, but this year there were many political signs. She suggested limiting the number of days signs are allowed.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Brandes moved, seconded by Bracewell to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary J. Robertson
Clerk-Treasurer

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Village of Grand Beach-General Fund

OPEN INVOICE REPORT

As of January 13, 2023

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Split	Open Balan...
AALF'S PETROLEUM INC.					
Bill	12/08/2022	54460		000.111 · Gasoline Invent...	1,200.56
Bill	12/08/2022	54461		000.111 · Gasoline Invent...	952.08
Total AALF'S PETROLEUM INC.					2,152.64
ADAMS REMCO, INC.					
Bill	12/13/2022	328971	COPIER MAINTENANCE SAVIN ...	215.776 · Equipment Mai...	54.69
Total ADAMS REMCO, INC.					54.69
EDWARD BRANDES'					
Bill	12/31/2022		MASTER PLAN COPIES	105.900 · Printing and Pu...	53.54
Total EDWARD BRANDES'					53.54
FIFTH THIRD BANK MASTERCARD					
Bill	01/03/2023		MAILCHIMP	-SPLIT-	23.00
Total FIFTH THIRD BANK MASTERCARD					23.00
METLIFE - GROUP BENEFITS					
Bill	01/09/2023		TS05945291 0001	855.855 · Life & Disability ...	605.80
Total METLIFE - GROUP BENEFITS					605.80
MICHIGAN STATE POLICE-BFS-CASHIERS OFFICE					
Bill	01/12/2023		STATEWIDE RECORDS MGMN...	300.776 · Police - Equip. ...	500.00
Total MICHIGAN STATE POLICE-BFS-CASHIERS OFFICE					500.00
NEW BUFFALO HARDWARE					
Bill	12/21/2022	A276200	DRIVEWAY MARKERS	266.778 · Repairs & Maint...	46.01
Total NEW BUFFALO HARDWARE					46.01
PRIORITY HEALTH					
Bill	01/09/2023		GROUP ID 795207	852.852 · Hospitalization	11,180.92
Total PRIORITY HEALTH					11,180.92
REPUBLIC SERVICES					
Bill	12/31/2022	0715-00...	3-0715-1003848 JANUARY	520.818 · Contractual Ser...	6,953.00
Total REPUBLIC SERVICES					6,953.00
ROGER'S WRECKER SERVICE					
Bill	01/09/2023	21565	SERPENTINE BELT & OIL CHAN...	300.933 · Vehicle Mainten...	138.57
Total ROGER'S WRECKER SERVICE					138.57
THE TECH OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN					
Bill	01/02/2023	29599	WIFI & SECURITY FEBRUARY	-SPLIT-	172.65
Total THE TECH OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN					172.65

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Village of Grand Beach-General Fund

OPEN INVOICE REPORT

As of January 13, 2023

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Split	Open Balan...
THREE OAKS FORD					
Bill	01/06/2023	71721	OIL CHANGE & TIRE ROTATION	300.933 · Vehicle Mainten...	85.45
Total THREE OAKS FORD					85.45
VILLAGE OF MICHIANA					
Bill	01/09/2023		POLICE SERVICES	300.818 · Contractual Ser...	2,500.00
Bill	01/12/2023	301	ZOOM SERVICES FOR 2022	105.956 · Miscellaneous	694.45
Total VILLAGE OF MICHIANA					3,194.45
VSP INSURANCE CO. (CT)					
Bill	01/09/2023		30092372 VISION	852.852 · Hospitalization	197.16
Total VSP INSURANCE CO. (CT)					197.16
TOTAL					<u>25,357.88</u>

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Village of Grand Beach - Water Fund
OPEN INVOICE REPORT
As of January 13, 2023

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Open Balan...</u>
ADAMS REMCO					
Bill	12/13/2022	328971	COPIER MAINTENANCE ...	818.000 · Contract...	54.69
Total ADAMS REMCO					54.69
USA BLUEBOOK					
Bill	12/06/2022	197069	CHLORINE SET	778.000 · Repair &...	238.50
Total USA BLUEBOOK					238.50
TOTAL					293.19

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Village of Grand Beach - Major Street Fund
OPEN INVOICE REPORT
As of January 13, 2023

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Split	Open Balan...
RIETH-RILEY CONSTRUCTION CO, INC.					
Bill	01/10/2023		COLD MIX - GRAND BE...	463.782 · Street Supplies	444.00
Total RIETH-RILEY CONSTRUCTION CO, INC.					444.00
TOTAL					444.00

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Village of Grand Beach-Golf Fund
OPEN INVOICE REPORT
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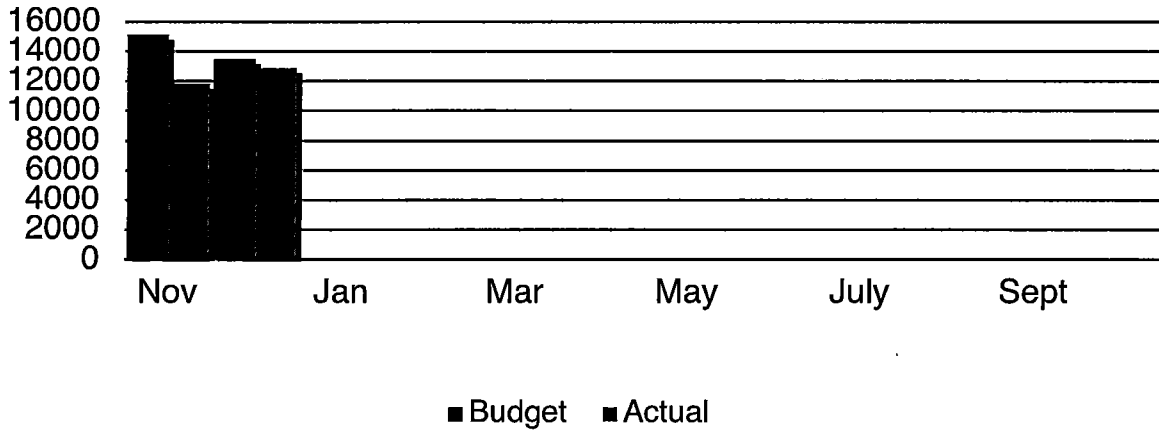
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ADAMS REMCO					
Bill	12/13/2022	328971	COPIER MAINTENANCE SAVIN ...	000.818 · Contractu...	54.68
Total ADAMS REMCO					54.68
SERVISCAPE					
Bill	12/31/2022		DECEMBER	-SPLIT-	12,876.44
Total SERVISCAPE					12,876.44
THE TECH OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN					
Bill	01/02/2023	29599	FIREWALL & WIFI FEBRUARY	000.818 · Contractu...	57.55
Total THE TECH OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN					57.55
TOTAL					12,988.67

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Village of Grand Beach - Building Inspection Fund
OPEN INVOICE REPORT

As of January 13, 2023

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Split	Open Balance
ANDERSON PRINTING					
Bill	12/29/2022	22-1072	BUSINESS CARDS - CHA...	000.727 · Office Supplies	55.50
Total ANDERSON PRINTING					55.50
CHAD BUTLER					
Bill	01/10/2023			000.500 · Building Inspection Fees	2,203.49
Total CHAD BUTLER					2,203.49
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT					
Bill	01/10/2023		INSPECTIONS	000.500 · Building Inspection Fees	2,203.49
Total WILLIAM H. LAMBERT					2,203.49
TOTAL					4,462.48



January 18, 2023

Dear Grand Beach Council,

We are happy to provide you with the January Golf Course Maintenance Report.

Financial

Year to date we are \$3,896 under budget.

Course News & Conditions

- Winter equipment maintenance is ongoing.
- Replaced all mower reel bearings, bearing races, and greased.
- Mower reel and bedknife sharpening will occur throughout this month.
- No snowmobile activity observed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clay Putnam
Serviscape, LLC

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

January 13, 2023

HALL - GROUNDS - MAINTENANCE GARAGE

Cleaned Maintenance garage.
Removed garbage cans from road edges.

STREETS - PARKS - BEACHES

Weekly Brush and Bag-Pickup.
Cleaned out storm drains.
Filled in pot holes on major and local streets.
Snow and ice removal in the Village.
Installed ice warning signs at all beach easements.

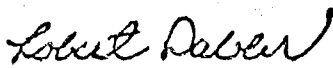
WATER DEPARTMENT

Sampled water December 19,2022 and took to New Buffalo water treatment plant for analysis.
Submitted monthly reports for December readings to State of Michigan on January 9, 2023.

EQUIPMENT

Service, Oil and grease equipment.

Respectfully Submitted



Robert Dabbs
Superintendent

Grand Beach/Michiana Police Offense Summary

Occurred 12/1/2022 - 12/31/2022

Offense	Total Offenses
1177 - 11007 - CSC Second (2nd) Degree - Forcible Contact	1
2308 - 23003 - Larceny - From Building (Includes library, office used by public, etc)	1
2399 - 23007 - Larceny (Other)	1
73001 - 7300 - Ordinance Violation	1
98007 - 9944 - Open Door on Residence	2
9910 - 93001 - Traffic, Non-Criminal - Accident	1
9943 - 98007 - Inspections/Investigations - Suspicious Situations	4
9944 - 98008 - Inspections/Investigations - Lost and Found Prop	1
9953 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - General Assistance	5
9955 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Assist to EMS	2
9956 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Assist to Other Police Agency	5
9957 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Residential/Business/Bank Alarm - False	13
Total	37

Please be aware of who is cleaning/has access to your home. We had jewelry that was stolen by a housecleaner. The jewelry was worth several thousand dollars and has a lot of sentimental value to the victim. We have a very good suspect, having trouble getting her to cooperate.

Respectfully Submitted,


Ryan Layman, Chief of Police

Grand Beach/Michiana Police Offense Summary

Occurred 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2022

Offense	Total Offenses
1177 - 11007 - CSC Second (2nd) Degree - Forcible Contact	1
1313 - 13001 - Assault and Battery/Simple Assault	1
2204 - 22002 - Burglary - No Forced Entry - Residence (Including Home Invasion)	2
2298 - 22003 - Burglary - Entering Without Permission	1
2304 - 23006 - Larceny - Parts and Accessories from Vehicle	1
2308 - 23003 - Larceny - From Building (Includes library, office used by public, etc)	4
2399 - 23007 - Larceny (Other)	4
2404 - 24001 - Vehicle Theft	1
2901 - 29000 - Damage to Property - Business Property	1
2902 - 29000 - Damage to Property - Private Property	7
2903 - 29000 - Damage to Property - Public Property	2
2998 - 29000 - Damage to Property - Destroy, Injure Property of Police or Fire Departments	1
3605 - 36004 - Indecent Exposure	1
4104 - 41002 - Liquor Violation - Possession of Alcoholic Liquor in a Motor Vehicle	2
4196 - 41002 - Liquor Violation - Minor in Possession - Consume or Purchase Attempts	2
4998 - 49000 - Fugitive	1
5015 - 50000 - Failure to Appear	2
5282 - 52002 - Fireworks - Possession, Sale, Use, or Furnish	1
5560 - 55000 - Dog Law Violations	2
5707 - 57001 - Trespass (Other)	5
6274 - 62000 - Littering on Public or Private Property	1
73001 - 7300 - Ordinance Violation	62
8011 - 54001 - Motor Vehicle Accident - Failed to Stop and Identify	1
8027 - 54002 - Operating with Blood Alcohol Content of .17% or more	1
8072 - 54003 - Traffic - Careless Driving	1
8073 - 54003 - Traffic - Reckless Driving	2
8152 - 54003 - Traffic - Failed to Signal/Improper Signal	1
8271 - 54003 - Traffic - No Operators License	1
8281 - 54003 - Traffic - No Operators/Chauffers License on Person	2
8290 - 54003 - Traffic - Improper Parking	1
8293 - 54003 - Traffic - Parking/Standing/Stopping on Roadway	2
98007 - 9944 - Open Door on Residence	3

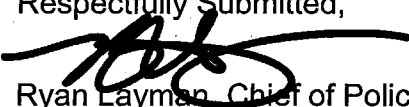
Grand Beach/Michiana Police Offense Summary

Occurred 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2022

Offense	Total Offenses
9910 - 93001 - Traffic, Non-Criminal - Accident	6
9911 - 93002 - Traffic, Non-Criminal - Non-Traffic Accident	1
9937 - 97006 - Other Non-Criminal Accidents - All Other	1
9940 - 98003 - Inspections/Investigations - Property	1
9942 - 98006 - Inspections/Investigations - Family Trouble	1
9943 - 98007 - Inspections/Investigations - Suspicious Situations	59
9944 - 98008 - Inspections/Investigations - Lost and Found Prop	10
9947 - 99002 - Miscellaneous - Natural Death	3
9953 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - General Assistance	83
9954 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Assist to Fire Department	27
9954 - 99009 - Miscellaneous - Non-Criminal	11
9955 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Assist to EMS	34
9956 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Assist to Other Police Agency	48
9957 - 99008 - Miscellaneous - Residential/Business/Bank Alarm - False	109
Total	514

Here is our yearly report for 2022. We saw an increase in natural deaths, all other statistics stayed within what we normally see/expect.

Respectfully Submitted,


Ryan Layman, Chief of Police

VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
MONTHLY BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT
JANUARY 18, 2023

PERMIT #	NAME/ADRESS	WORK TO BE DONE	COST	START
2021-21	GOLDSTEIN 52015 LAKE PARK	NEW HOME	\$1,879,429.00	05/21
2021-30	DWARAKANATHAN 51308 ROBIN LN	NEW HOME	\$900,000.00	11/21
2021-47	BROWN 45322 FAIRWAY LN	NEW HOME	\$640,080.00	12/21
2021-48	BURKE 45320 FAIRWAY LN	NEW HOME	\$819,080.00	12/21
2021-50	ARMSTRONG 58107 WALNUT ST	NEW HOME	\$289,789.00	12/21
2021-59	GABA 51315 E ARNOLD	NEW HOME	\$3,200,000.00	12/21
2021-69	MORRIS 50262 GOLFVIEW	NEW HOME	\$500,000.00	01/22
2022-02	ZALANSKAS 46221 CRESCENT LN	NEW HOME	\$550,000.00	01/22
2022-12	TURNKEY ESTATES 45318 FAIRWAY DR	NEW HOME	\$480,000.00	03/22
2022-15	PUSKUNIGIS 45316 FAIRWAY DR	NEW HOME	\$410,000.00	03/22
2022-18	PHILLIPPI 51218 E ARNOLD	NEW HOME	\$1,170,000.00	05/22
2022-20	DISABATO 51220 MAIN	NEW HOME	\$960,000.00	05/22
2022-26	KARAZIM	NEW HOME	\$600,000.00	06/22

	45312 FAIRWAY DR			
2022-28	TURNKEY ESTATES	NEW HOME	\$280,000.00	06/22
	45321 FAIRWAY DR			
2022-32	PUSKUNGIS	NEW HOME	\$300,000.00	07/22
	45325 FAIRWAY DR			
2022-35	MUCNETZER	NEW HOME	\$800,000.00	08/22
	51224 MAIN			
2022-37	NICOLAI	NEW HOME	\$884,840.00	08/22
	45314 FAIRWAY DR			
2022-42	SWORDS	NEW HOME	\$2,000,000.00	08/22
	45304 PUTTERS LN			
2022-43	EHIMWENMAN	NEW HOME	\$800,000.00	08/22
	49031 SKYHI			
2022-46	MEARSHIMER	POOL CABANA	\$60,000.00	09/22
	52204 MAIN			
2022-47	AKER	ADDITION @ REHAB	\$300,000.00	09/22
	52203 E ARNOLD			
2022-50	BURKE	NEW POOL	\$95,000.00	10/22
	45320 FAIRWAY DR			
2022-52	BROWN	NEW POOL	\$100,000.00	11/22
	45322 FAIRWAY DR			
2022/54	GABA	NEW POOL	\$145,567.00	11/22
	51315 E ARNOLD			

Attention Council Members

Marina Shea

Wed 11/23/2022 11:41 AM

To: clerk grandbeach.org <clerk@grandbeach.org>

Dear Council membership,

We are seeking permission to use the lake access point at Lake Avenue in Grand Beach for a revetment project at our house located at 50005 High Point Lane, Grand Beach MI 49117

We are using DDD Excavating & Moore LLC

So we need permission for them to use the access point, in the early spring of 2023, the work will last 1 month and they will restore the access point back to original condition on completion of the job.

DDD is requesting all necessary permits for the revetment.

Contact at DDD is Devin Moore number (269) 876 2223

Thanking you kindly.

Marina Hurn

Rules of Procedure

Village of Grand Beach

Adopted January 18, 2023

A. Regular and Special Meetings

All meetings of the Village Council will be held in compliance with state statutes, including the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267 as amended, and with these rules.

1. Regular Meetings

Regular Meetings of the Village Council will normally be held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m. EST at the Village Hall unless rescheduled by the council.

2. Special Meetings

A Special Meeting shall be called by the clerk upon the request of the council president or any two members of the council on at least 18 hours written notice to each member of the council served personally, or left at the council member's usual place of residence. Special Meeting notices shall state the purpose of the meeting. No official action shall be transacted at any Special Meeting of the council unless the item has been stated in the notice of such meeting. No changes may be made to a Special Meeting unless all members are present and consent to the change.

3. Posting Requirements for Regular and Special Meetings

- a. Within 10 days after the first meeting of the council in each fiscal year, or calendar year, a public notice stating the dates, times and places of the regular monthly council meetings will be posted at the Village office.
- b. For a rescheduled Regular or a Special Meeting of the council, a public notice stating the date, time, and place of the meeting shall be posted at least 18 hours before the meeting at the Village office.
- c. The notice described above is not required for a meeting of the council in emergency session in the event of a severe and imminent threat to the health, safety or welfare of the public when two-thirds of the members of the council determine that delay would be detrimental to the Village's efforts in responding to the threat.

4. Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings

The clerk shall attend the council meetings and record all the proceedings and resolutions of the council in accordance with the Village Charter and the Open Meetings Act. In the absence of the clerk, the deputy clerk will perform the clerk's duties or the Village Council may appoint one of its own members or another person to temporarily perform the clerk's duties.

Within eight business days of a council meeting, a synopsis showing the substance of each separate decision of the council or the entirety of the council proceedings shall be prepared by the clerk and shall indicate the vote of the council members. Within five business days of the council approving the minutes, the approved minutes shall be made available to the public.

B. Conduct of Meetings

1. Meetings to be Public

All Regular and Special Meetings of the council shall be open to the public, and citizens shall have a reasonable opportunity to be heard in accordance with such rules and regulations as the council may determine, except that the meetings may be closed to the public and the media in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

All official meetings of the council and its committees shall be open to the media, freely subject to recording by radio, television and photographic services at any time, provided that such arrangements do not interfere with the orderly conduct of the meetings.

2. Agenda Preparation

An agenda for each Regular Council Meeting shall be prepared by the Village Clerk with assistance from the Council President with the following order of business:

1. Call to order
2. Adopt agenda
3. Consent agenda (if used)
4. Public Comments - Agenda Items Only
5. Presentations/Recognition
6. Public Hearings
7. Commission Reports
8. Personnel Reports
9. Unfinished Business
10. New Business
11. Public Comments - General
12. Correspondence
13. Adjournment

The agenda deadline is 3:30 EST on the Wednesday prior to the meeting. The Village Clerk, Council President or any two council members may add items to the agenda prior to the agenda deadline. Any council member shall have the right to add items to the regular agenda with a majority vote of the council before the agenda is approved.

3. Consent agenda

A consent agenda may be used to allow the council to act on numerous administrative or noncontroversial items at one time. Included on this agenda can be noncontroversial matters such as approval of minutes, payment of bills, approval of recognition resolutions, etc. Upon request by any member of the council, an item shall be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda for discussion.

4. Agenda Distribution

Agendas, along with appropriate support information, will be provided to the Village Council by the Village Clerk as soon as possible after the agenda has been set so that the council has time to review agenda items prior to the meeting.

5. Quorum

A majority of the entire elected or appointed and sworn members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all council meetings. In the absence of a quorum, a lesser number may adjourn any meeting to a later time or date with appropriate public notice.

6. Attendance at Council Meetings

Election to the Village Council is a privilege freely sought by the nominee. It carries with it the responsibility to participate in council activities and represent the residents of the Village. Attendance at council meetings is critical to fulfilling this responsibility.

Absence from three consecutive regular meetings shall operate to vacate the seat of a member, unless the absence is excused by the council by resolution setting forth such excuse.

7. Presiding Officer

The presiding officer shall be responsible for enforcing these rules of procedure and for enforcing orderly conduct at meetings. The president of the council is ordinarily the presiding officer. The council shall appoint one of its members as president pro tempore, who shall preside in the absence of the president. In the absence of both the president and the president pro tempore, the member present who has the longest consecutive service on the council shall preside.

8. Disorderly Conduct

The president may call to order any person who is being disorderly by speaking out of order, interrupting, speaking without being recognized or otherwise disrupting the proceedings, failing to be germane to the agenda, speaking longer than the allotted time or speaking vulgarities. Such person shall be seated until the president determines whether the person is in order.

If the person so engaged in presentation is called out of order, he or she shall not be permitted to continue to speak at the same meeting except by motion of the council. If the person shall continue to be disorderly and disrupt the meeting, the president may order the removal of the person from the meeting. No person shall be removed from a public meeting except for an actual breach of the peace committed at the meeting.

C. Closed Session Meetings

1. Purpose

Closed Session meetings may be held only for the reasons authorized in the Open Meetings Act, which are the following:

- a. To consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, or to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent when the named person requests a closed meeting. A person requesting a closed hearing may rescind the request at any time, in which case the matter at issue shall be considered after the rescission only in open sessions.

- b. For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement when either negotiating party requests a closed hearing.
- c. To consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained.
- d. To consult with the municipal attorney or another attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation, but only when an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the public body.
- e. To review and consider the specific contents of an application for employment or appointment to a public office when a candidate requests that the application remain confidential. However, all interviews by a public body for employment or appointment to a public office shall be held in an open meeting pursuant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act (OMA).
- f. To consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

2. Calling Closed Session Meetings

At a regular or special meeting, the council members elected or appointed and serving, by a two-thirds roll call vote may call a closed session under the conditions outlined in Section C.1 of the Rules of Procedure and Section 15.268 of the Open Meetings Act. The roll call vote and purpose(s) for calling the closed meeting shall be entered into the minutes of the public part of the meeting at which the vote is taken.

3. Minutes of Closed Session Meetings

A separate set of minutes shall be taken by the clerk or the designated secretary of the council at the closed session meeting. These minutes will be retained by the clerk, shall not be available to the public, and shall only be disclosed if required by a civil action, as authorized by the Michigan Open Meetings Act. These minutes may be destroyed one year and one day after approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting at which the closed session was approved.

4. Confidentiality of Closed Session Meeting Information

A Village Council member shall not divulge to an unauthorized person confidential information discussed in a closed session meeting in advance of the time prescribed for its authorized release to the public by the Village Council. Council members shall honor the confidentiality of the debate, discussion, and preliminary action taken in closed session, and be aware of the potential financial liability and/or harm to the reputation of the Village by premature disclosure.

D. Discussion and Voting

1. Rules of parliamentary procedure

The rules of parliamentary practice as contained in the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the council in all cases to which they are applicable, provided that they are not in conflict with these rules, Village ordinances or applicable state statutes.

2. Conduct of discussion

Speakers should address their remarks to the president, maintain a courteous tone and avoid interjecting a personal note into debate.

No council member shall speak more than once on the same question unless every council member

desiring to speak to that question shall have had the opportunity to do so.

3. Ordinances and Resolutions

Every ordinance and resolution shall be adopted or passed by the affirmative vote of three members of the council.

4. Roll Call

In all roll call votes, the names of the members of the council shall be rotated.

5. Duty to Vote

Election to a deliberative body carries with it the obligation to vote. No member of the council shall vote on any question in which he or she is financially interested or any question concerning his or her own official conduct, but on all other questions every member of the council present shall vote and any member who refuses to vote on any question shall forfeit his or her office.

A council member who is present and abstains or does not respond to a roll call vote shall be counted as an abstention. If a vote requires a majority or a certain percentage of the members present for approval, an abstention has the same effect as a "no" vote.

The opinion of the Village Attorney shall be binding on the council with respect to the existence of a conflict of interest. A vote may be tabled, if necessary, to obtain the opinion of the Village Attorney.

The right to vote is limited to the members of council present at the time the vote is taken. Voting by proxy or by any manner of telecommunications is not permitted.

All votes must be held and determined in public; no secret ballots are permitted.

6. Results of Voting

In all cases where a vote is taken, the president shall declare the result.

If a motion has been either adopted or defeated during a meeting, it shall be in order for any council member voting in the majority to move for a reconsideration of the vote on any question at that meeting. When a motion to reconsider fails, it cannot be renewed.

E. Citizen Participation

1. General

Each regular Council Meeting agenda shall provide for reserved time for audience participation. There shall be two times reserved for audience participation. The first opportunity is reserved for public comments on agenda items only and the second opportunity is for the public to make general comments.

If requested by a member of the council, the president shall have discretion to allow a member of the audience to speak at times other than reserved time for audience participation.

2. Addressing the Council

Any audience member wishing to comment must first be recognized by the president, he/she must stand and state his/her name and home address (for recording purposes). No person shall have the right to speak more than once on any particular subject until all other persons wishing to be heard on that

subject have had the opportunity to speak. It is up to the discretion of the Council President whether a

person can speak more than one time on a particular subject.

Any person who addresses the council during a Council Meeting or Public Hearing shall be limited to three minutes in length. The clerk, or another person designated by the Council will maintain the official time and notify the speakers when their time is up.

F. Miscellaneous

1. Amendment of Rules of Procedure

The Village Council may alter or amend these rules at any time by a majority vote.

2. Suspension of Rules

The rules of the council may be suspended for a specified portion of a meeting by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present except that council actions shall conform to state statutes and to the Michigan and the United States Constitutions.

3. Guidelines of Conduct

Members of the Council shall refrain from argument with a member of the public or staff at Village Council meetings since these arguments seldom resolve concerns and many times inflame feelings at a public meeting. Any concerns by a member of the Council over the behavior or work of a Village employee during a Council meeting should be directed to the Council President to ensure the concern is addressed.

4. Bid Awards

Bids will be awarded by the council during Regular or Special Meetings. A bid award may be made at a Special Meeting of the council if that action is announced in the notice of the special meeting.

5. Authorization for Contacting the Village Attorney

The following officials (by title) are authorized to contact the Village Attorney regarding municipal matters:

- Village Clerk-Treasurer
- Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
- Council President
- Council President Pro Tem

**VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 46

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-105

Effective: February 5, 2023

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 46, BEING A WAGE ORDINANCE

THE VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH ORDAINS:

SECTION ONE: Ordinance No. 46 of the Village of Grand Beach is hereby repealed and declared to be of no further effect.

SECTION TWO. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance was adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Grand Beach on the 18th day of January 2023, and was ordered to be made effective 10 days following its publication.

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

HARRY WALDER, President

MARY ROBERTSON, Clerk

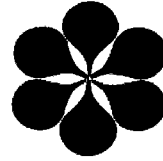
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Grand Beach, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, held on the 18th day of January 2023, and that said Meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

MARY J. ROBERTSON, Clerk

PEERLESS-MIDWEST, INC.

55860 Russell Industrial Parkway
Mishawaka, IN 46545
574-254-9050



**PEERLESS
MIDWEST**
An Employee Owned Company

QUOTATION

Village of Grand Beach

48200 Perkins Blvd

Grand Beach, MI 49117

Attention: Bob Dabbs

Email: bobdabbs@grandbeach.org

Quote No. CAP010423

Your No. _____

Date: January 4, 2023

REFERENCE Telemetry Computer System, Software Transfer & HMI Software

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
One (1)	<p>The current computer system used for the Telemetry system is obsolete and requires replacement. The current Telemetry operating system needs to be transferred to the new system including installation of a current HMI software package, programmed and installed.</p> <p>The costs to implement these changes are as follows: (1) New Computer System (1) HMI Software Package Set-up/Programming /installation</p> <p>This is an estimated cost. Final cost will be billed out on actual time it takes to complete this service.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">STATE SALES TAX, IF APPLICABLE, IS NOT INCLUDED</p>	

TERMS Net 30

TOTAL PRICE \$8,460.00

START As Required

COMPLETE 2 Working Days

PEERLESS-MIDWEST, INC.

ACCEPTED BY _____

BY Chad A. Plummer
Chad A. Plummer

VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
COUNTY OF BERRIEN - STATE OF MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2022 BERRIEN COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD, MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

At a Regular Meeting of the Village Council, of the Village of Grand Beach, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, held in the Village Hall, 48200 Perkins Boulevard, Grand Beach, Michigan on the 18th day of January, A.D., 2023, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Council Members: _____.

ABSENT: Council Members: _____.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Council Member _____ and seconded by Council Member _____.

WHEREAS, the United States Code, 44 CFR § 201.6, states the following: “*A local government must have a mitigation plan approved pursuant to this section in order to receive Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) project grants. A local government must have a mitigation plan approved pursuant to this section in order to apply for and receive mitigation project grants under all other mitigation grant programs¹;*” and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Grand Beach recognizes the importance of mitigating impacts of disaster hazards before these disasters strike; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Berrien invited the Village of Grand Beach to jointly develop the 2022 Hazard Mitigation Plan as a multi-jurisdictional effort; and,

WHEREAS, the public was invited to provide comment and their input into the plan throughout the drafting phase; and,

WHEREAS, the plan will be subject to final approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency after the Village of Grand Beach formally adopts the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, effective immediately, the Village of Grand Beach formally approves and adopts the Berrien County 2022 Hazard Mitigation Plan as this municipality’s Hazard Mitigation Plan, as required by 44 CFR § 201.6; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Village of Grand Beach is committed to incorporate the requirements of the mitigation plan into other planning mechanisms, such as our comprehensive or capital improvement plans, when appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Village of Grand Beach will monitor progress of the completion of assigned projects on an annual basis, and commit to updating this plan before the year 2027.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

MARY ROBERTSON, Village Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, MARY ROBERTSON, duly appointed Village Clerk in and for the Village of Grand Beach, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, do certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Village Council during its regular meeting, held January 18, 2023, and that said Meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

MARY ROBERTSON, Village Clerk

¹ <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-44/chapter-I/subchapter-D/part-201>



Fact Sheet

Berrien County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Scope

This document will explain the project for updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan and guide local units of government on the adoption process.

Project Summary

The Berrien County Multi-Hazard, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is being updated to bring it current with Federal Standards. The Berrien County Emergency Management Office secured a grant to help fund contractor support to compile information and edit the plan. All units of government within Berrien County participated in this planning process and it has produced a more comprehensive plan. For community members, this process resulted in the production of a single document in which they can reference instead of needing to reference 40 individual plans. The information produced in this plan should be used to further develop the master plans of each community.

The contractor (BOLDplanning Inc.) and Emergency Management have completed the following steps:

1. Organized representatives from each local unit of government to participate in the updating of the plan;
2. Held meetings to describe the project and educate the assigned representatives from each jurisdiction on what hazard mitigation is;
3. Engaged public participation through meetings and survey efforts;
4. Assembled a list of hazards that are likely to impact Berrien County;
5. Provided historical context and data to help understand impacts faced when each of the listed hazards are to hit us;
6. Guided the assigned local government representatives through one-on-one meetings to develop a list of projects that could help to lessen the impacts of those hazards;
7. Incorporated all of the above information and data into a plan;
8. Offered the plan for public comment;
9. Submitted the plan to the State of Michigan for review;
10. Edited the plan to incorporate the State's comments;
11. Submitted the plan to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review;
12. Edited the plan to incorporate FEMA's comments;
13. Achieved a status of "Approvable Pending Adoption" from FEMA – meaning it will be fully approved after all participating units of government formally resolve to adopt the plan and return signed resolutions.

The following steps are still outstanding:

1. Each unit of government within Berrien County adopts the plan through Board resolution.
2. Each unit of government returns a copy of the resolution to Emergency Management to be included in the plan.

More detailed information about the project, including recordings of select meetings are located at: <http://www.bcsheriff.org/1742/2020-Hazard-Mitigation-Plan-Project-Page> .

Authorities/Purpose

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act) legally requires state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to develop and adopt FEMA-approved hazard mitigation plans as a condition for receiving certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance and grants. The regulations, under Title 44, Chapter 1, Part 201 (44 CFR Part 201) of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) contain requirements and procedures to implement the hazard mitigation planning provisions of the Stafford Act.

Since the Stafford Act, additional laws have been passed that help to shape hazard mitigation policy as it stands today. These revisions are included in the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act (SRIA) of 2013, the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, and the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016. The mitigation planning guidance documents constitute FEMA's official policy on and interpretation of the hazard mitigation planning requirements.

The plan is required to be renewed every 5th year.

Accessing the Plan

The plan is published on the project page: <http://www.bcsheriff.org/1742/2020-Hazard-Mitigation-Plan-Project-Page>

The direct link is: <https://www.berriencounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/16924/20221215---Berrien-County-HMP---FEMA-Completed-Revisions>

CAUTION: The plan is 704 pages. This should be kept in mind when printing copies.

Local Governmental Unit's Action Items:

To finish the project and get the plan fully approved, the following steps need to be taken by each local unit of government:

1. Inform the Emergency Management Office when an adoption resolution will be scheduled to be presented to the board. Use this survey: <https://arcg.is/14q1OW0> .
2. Return a scanned copy of the resolution to Emergency Management. Use this link: <https://arcg.is/1KLmLS0> .

Deadline

The above actions should be completed by FEB 10, 2023 if possible. If not, send a note to emergency management explaining the delay and provide an estimate of completion.

Sample Resolution

A sample resolution can be found on the final page of this document. We invite you to edit it to meet your needs and formatting.

Contact Info

Emergency Management Email: bcoem@berriencounty.org

Emergency Management Phone: 269-983-7111 x 4915.

From: Gary Wood <gwood811@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, December 2, 2022 12:03 PM
To: clerk grandbeach.org <clerk@grandbeach.org>
Cc: 'Marcy Hamilton' <hamiltonm@swmpc.org>
Subject: Berrien County Trails Master Plan

Dear Mary,

On behalf of Friends of Berrien County Trails, I am delighted to report that the Berrien County Trails Master Plan is done. Like you, several people, municipalities, and major stakeholders gave comments on the plan and specific trail routes. We reviewed all this information and made decisions that may not reflect all the comments we received. We did our best. This is not a static document and will be updated over time. Our/Your County Trail Master Plan represents a vision and the beginning of a conversation. There is lots of work to be done; please understand that this is only the beginning of a process. We are thankful for your participation and support.

Link to webpage with the plan <https://www.berrientrails.org/bcmasterplan.asp>

The next steps will be distributing and presenting it to our major stakeholders, municipalities, and communities over the next six months. In particular, we are requesting a resolution of support from the Village. I have attached a draft of a resolution for your consideration and the resolution that the County adopted. We are trying to get all of the municipalities in the County to adopt a resolution of support. These resolutions of support will be very helpful to communities that are seeking government and foundation grants for trails. I will be out of town the next couple of weeks. If you have any questions, please email Marcy at hamiltonm@swmpc.org with a copy to me or call her cell at 616-765-2405. Thanks.

Gary

Gary Wood, President
Friends of Berrien County Trails
PO Box 371
New Buffalo, MI 49117
269-339-0797
BerrienTrails@gmail.com
www.berrientrails.org

VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
COUNTY OF BERRIEN - STATE OF MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE “BERRIEN COUNTY TRAILS MASTER PLAN”

At a Regular Meeting of the Village Council, of the Village of Grand Beach, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, held in the Village Hall, 48200 Perkins Boulevard, Grand Beach, Michigan on the 18th day of January, A.D., 2023, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Council Members: _____.

ABSENT: Council Members: _____.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Council Member _____ and seconded by Council Member _____.

WHEREAS, the Village of Grand Beach is committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life for citizens throughout the region and recognizes that a network of trails in Berrien County will contribute greatly to quality of life by connecting people, communities and regional assets; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Berrien County Trails with its partners and steering committee has engaged Berrien County municipalities, the County and its residents in the development of a countywide master plan for trails; and

WHEREAS, the “Berrien County Trails Master Plan” presents a county-wide vision and recommends increasing cooperation and collaboration to create a network that will provide transportation, exercise, leisure, safety, accessibility, recreation and community benefits aimed at enhancing the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, many communities, agencies, and trail advocates in the region have taken a lead in planning and/or building local trails, and those efforts can be greatly enhanced by being connected to a larger regional network of trails; and

WHEREAS, trails will help improve the quality of the air we breathe by promoting reduced congestion through increasing safer non-motorized transportation options; and

WHEREAS, trails are freely accessible community assets offering opportunities for transportation, recreation and exercise to everyone, including children, youth and families, schools and provide safe places for people to experience a sense of community and create stronger social and family ties; and

WHEREAS, trails have significant impact on the health and economic viability of the region through encouraging active lifestyles, increased levels of tourism, enhanced property values, added jobs related to the construction of and along the trail, as well as enhanced ability to attract and retain businesses to the region due to improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the “Berrien County Trails Master Plan” provides the foundation for a long-term strategy that will continue to grow and evolve and will provide an invaluable resource for our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Grand Beach has identified the provision of trails as a priority in the future planning of Berrien County in order to improve connectivity between communities, places of interest and destinations and enhance quality of life and recreational opportunities for residents and visitors of the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Village of Grand Beach is committed to the promotion and continued development of the “Berrien County Trails Master Plan” and in concept to working with neighboring communities to plan, design, build and maintain a system of trails that will connect our communities, people and special regional points of interest for years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Village of Grand Beach will incorporate the “Berrien County Trails Master Plan” into our master plan, recreation plan and other relevant planning documents.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

MARY ROBERTSON, Village Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, MARY ROBERTSON, duly appointed Village Clerk in and for the Village of Grand Beach, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, do certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Village Council during its regular meeting, held January 18, 2023, and that said Meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

MARY ROBERTSON, Village Clerk