

From the Village Council Motion on January 24, 2023, this Task Force will be composed of (5) five Village residents.

1. Appointed by the President –

a. I was contacted by several Village residents interested in participating in this Task Force. I would like to appoint the following:

i. **Marc Oberschulte** – Marc is a resident of the Village and lives on Lake Michigan Drive. Marc approached me with great interest regarding the Task Force and how he may add value to this Study program. Marc worked in Lansing with a former Governor of Michigan where he was responsible for research and funding options. He is looking forward to helping the Village with research and grant opportunities that may be available.



Exhibit 2 ("March 25" Excel spreadsheet from "Meetings through March 2023")

A.	CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
B.	ROLL CALL
C.	CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
D.	ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
E.	PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS
F.	CONSENT AGENDA
	Approve Minutes
	Council approval of the minutes from March 9, 2023 Work Session
	Approve March Bills
	Council Approval of March Bills that total \$ _____
	Approve 2023 Street Closures
	Empire Chamber of Commerce requests Council approval of street closures for Asparagus Festival, Empire Hill Climb and the Hopps Festival.
G.	COMMUNICATIONS
H.	DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS
	President
	Department of Public Works
	Zoning Administrator
	Treasurer
	Clerk
I.	COMMITTEE REPORTS
	Parks
	Water
	Streets
	Personnel
	Planning Commission
	Tree Assessment Group
K.	OLD BUSINESS
	Street Striping Bid - \$1,200.00 -
	Council approval requested to authorize striping on Union St. and Front St.
	Sidwalks Bid - \$16,000.00 -

	Council approval requested to authorize funds to repair sidewalks that are raised more than 1.5".
Update Consumers Energy -	
	Provide a Feasibility Study to place power lines underground from the Beach to Lake St/Front St

L. NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing	
	Council requests a Public Hearing prior to our April Regular Meeting on April 25, 2023 at 7PM. The purpose is to publicly review and comment on the Snow Plow Policy, Snow Plow Ordinance #147 and the FEMA Ordinance #152.

Approve County Roads Bid	
	A Bid from the County has been received to tar and chip Florence Street that runs east to west off LaCore and for Union St. running North from Niagara to the end of the road.
	Our Street Administrator would like to ask that Council approve the work at this regular meeting so that our DPW can get Empire on the County's list of things to do this Spring/Summer. It will have gone through a work session, but I don't believe this is an issue that will require a lot of discussion.

FEMA - Leelanau Co public hearing on Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan	
	Our participation in the review of this plan is a FEMA requirement to be eligible for federally-funded pre-disaster hazard mitigation grant opportunities for five years. There will be a Public Hearing on April 13 at Noon at the Governmental Building in Suttons Bay. I am requesting a couple volunteers from our Village Council to attend.

Appointment to the Waste Water Study Task Force	
	This Task Force will be composed of five Village residents. It will operate for 1 year. The Task Force purpose:
	**Provide an update on new wastewater treatment systems available for small municipalities
	**Provide three plausible scenarios available for the Village of Empire and associated costs
	**Provide Economic benefits Empire might expect from implementing a municipal wastewater system
	**Provide an Economic Impact to the Village of Empire
	**Identify financing options available for a wastewater system in the Village of Empire
	**Make recommendations of further action by the Village of Empire

I would like to appoint our Village Council representative, residents, and business owners to the Waste Water Study Task Force.

Bruce Taggert, Paul Skinner, Tom Rademacher, Mark Oberschulte, and Soni Aylsworth

Rules of Procedure

Changes were made during our January 24, 2023 meeting that updated the Rules of Procedure. I am attaching the updated version of these changes. Areas of change are under the work session we added Approval of Minutes. Under #11 - Updated for contacting Professional Services.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF LEELANAU

TERRANCE BACON,

Plaintiff,

-vs-

File No. 23-11106-CZ
Hon. Kevin A. Elsenheimer

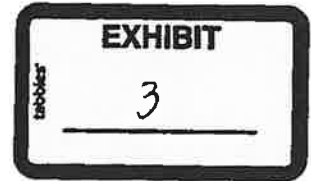
VILLAGE OF EMPIRE and
SUE PALMER, as Village President,

Defendants.

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STIPULATION AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL

NOW COME the parties by and through their respective attorneys and hereby stipulate to dismiss the above matter without prejudice and without costs to either party.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED.

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Attorney for Plaintiff
Dated: _____

Bradley D. Wierda (P63811)
Attorney for Defendants
Dated: _____

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PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN

Terrance Bacon, Plaintiff
Dated: _____

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter be dismissed without prejudice and without costs to either party. This resolves the last pending claim and closes this case.

Dated: _____

Hon. Kevin A. Elsenheimer
Circuit Court Judge

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