

**LOOSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
201 N. MAIN STREET, LINDEN, MICHIGAN.**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board of Directors President Danielle Cusson. The meeting was held within the Council Chambers on the lower level of the Mill Building, located at 201 North Main Street, Linden, Michigan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION

Board of Directors Present: President Danielle Cusson, Pam Howd, Ray Culbert, Brad Dick, Brenda Simons, Elizabeth Armstrong

Absent: Heather MacDermaid

Others Present: Scott Sutter, Police Chief; Don Grice, Director of Public Works; Brooke Card, City Treasurer; Michael Gildner, City Attorney; Tessa Sweeney, City Clerk; Brian Will, Fire Chief; Gwen Fannon, Loose Travel Coordinator; Dotti Tynes, Loose Program Director

PUBLIC HEARINGS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment wanting to know if there was any evidence of fraud and embezzlement in the audit report?

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

(A) Resolution No. 15-24 Senior Service Millage Application Approval
Motion by Culbert, second by Howd to approve Resolution No. 1-24 Senior Service Millage Application Approval. Roll call. Motion carried 6-0.

AYES: Culbert, Howd, Armstrong, Dick, Cusson, Simons

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: MacDermaid

(B) 2024 Meeting Schedule

Members briefly discussed a schedule which would work for everyone. Members agreed to Loose Board of Directors meeting be scheduled for the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will happen prior to the regular City Council meetings.

DIRECTOR REPORT

(C) Programming Update

Glass gave verbal update on the following items:

- Final audit has not been received yet, and
 - Public comment response: the City has never stated or implied there was any activity of embezzlement or fraud.
- The Center has added an additional day for food donations with Alpine on Tuesdays.
- Common Ground event is May 13th with City Department heads.
- Lunches will be served congregate starting soon.
- Added new event: Tech. assistant help-free
- Added new event: Legal services-free
- The gardeners club and biking bunch coming back in May
- Striping of the parking lot
- Water heater was replaced

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Gwenn Fannon gave verbal update on the travel club and commenting that many trips are sold out. Upcoming travel programs are the Pewabic Pottery, August 8; the Detroit symphony and Institute of Arts trips. The travel programs are open to everyone.

Dotti Tynes gave verbal update on the programs; members commenting on the cleanliness of the facility, atmosphere being welcoming and love that there is always coffee on and available to everyone every day. Also, commenting on the wall closing starting in May for more chances of classes. People are coming back that have quit coming over the years and the visitors to the center have already surpassed the numbers of last year.

Upcoming programs are Mother's Day Tea, Junk in the Truck, Grandparents picnic.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Culbert commented on seeing Glass at the Center all the time and would like staff to look at the staffing of the Loose center, is more people needed? Also, what is the future plan of the Loose Center and the sunroom? The Sunroom ceiling is leaking and it should be fixed. Would like staff to think and begin the future planning of the facility. Attended a volunteer lunch at Linden Schools and heard all positive comments about the Loose Center operations.

Dick commented Gwen was very popular at the Expo with the travel programs.

Armstrong thanked the employee for their dedication and hard work, and asked about remediation of the sunroom and kitchen area.

Howd commented on relining the parking lot, adding evening classes and would like to see a pathway for residents from Loose to Shiawassee Shores.

Cusson thanked everyone, would like to see some evening programing and has heard all positive comments about the positive atmosphere now as well.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Cusson acknowledge receipt of the financials provided in the packet.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Cusson at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tessa Sweeney, City Clerk

Approved: _____