

Village of Rothbury

Council Meeting

April 15, 2025

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rothbury Village Council was called to order in the Village Hall at 7:01 PM by President Vern Talmadge.

Council members present were Autum Drake, Mike Harris, Jim Fekken, Denise Kurdziel, Troy Voorhees and Dylan Zuniga. Also present were Treasurer Deb Murphy, Police Chief Ethan Walker, DPW Director Scott Beishuizen, Carol Witzke, Ed Goerbig, Stephanie Tallquist, Andy Roberts, Officer Tom Walicki, Mary Ann and Carlos Canales, Chris Oracz, Jayne Silvers.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, the council approved the prior meetings minutes as presented.

Treasurer Deb Murphy presented the council with the monthly Treasurers report.

Police Chief Ethan Walker gave the monthly police report highlighting notables for the month.

Discussion amongst council members was had in regard to a request from the Oceana County Sheriff's Department to install Flock Cameras within the Village limits for a trial basis.

Motion by Denise Kurdziel, seconded by Autum Drake to decline the request from the Sheriff's Department.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion approved.

Mike Harris informed the council that no Planning Commission meeting was held. Zoning requests have increased within the Village, a new home is going to be constructed on Connie Street, and the Green Lawn Trailer Park issues are still being handled by the Attorney.

Council member Dylan Zuniga suggested that the Village consider hiring a Zoning Enforcement officer. Council determined that was not necessary and that the majority of complaints coming in are "nit picky" and do not require the addition of an enforcement officer.

Brandy Williams updated council on the grant proceedings with the DNR and Prein & Newhof.

President Vern Talmadge read a resolution to the council to accept the terms of agreement for the grant from the DNR.

Motion by Dylan Zuniga, seconded by Denise Kurdziel to adopt the resolution as presented.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Brandy Williams also confirmed that the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bunny will be here Saturday at 11 AM with the return of the golden eggs.

Motion made by Autum Drake, seconded by Denise Kurdziel to move forward with allowing the Montague Summer Meals program to continue in the Village Hall again this summer.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

DPW Director Scott Beishuizen updated council that Bruce has turned on the water and the restrooms are open for the park, and projects will begin when the weather starts to warm up. Scott also advised that

we have received a quote from the Oceana County Road Commission for chip and seal on Michigan ave in the amount of roughly \$63,000.

Motion by Mike Harris to pay the monthly bills, seconded by Jim Fekken.

7 ayes, 0 nays motion passed.

RCC Director Deb Murphy updated the council that bookings for the RCC have filled up for June and July.

Council Member Denise Kurdziel reviewed the DNR Grant timeline with the council.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandy Williams

Clerk