

ONTONAGON VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 5:00 PM ON MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026
AT 315 QUARTZ STREET, ONTONAGON

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mike Rebholz, Debra Seid, Dorothy Sharkey, Pro-Tem Sarah Hopper

ABSENT: Lyle Perry, President Pamela Coey

At 5:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Pro-tem Hopper and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Five Minute Limit per Individual on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items):

A resident discussed Pickleball and Recreation Center usage.

A non-resident discussed bike trails.

A resident discussed storm and trees along Lakeshore Drive.

A resident complained of a noise issue and was told by another resident who was responsible for the issue.

Council Member Lyle Perry arrived at 5:14 p.m.

An emergency Miss Dig came in and Tanya, acting as clerk, had to exit the meeting to submit the request.

A motion was made by Rebholz, second by Seid (CARRIED) to move out of the Village Council regular session until Tanya is available to keep minutes.

AYE: Rebholz, Seid, Perry, Sharkey, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

An informative discussion was held on the Recreation Center, the Rec Ad Hoc Committee and the Recreation Center Millage.

Tanya re-entered the meeting.

A motion was made by Rebholz, second by Seid (CARRIED) to reopen the Village Council regular session.

AYE: Rebholz, Seid, Perry, Sharkey, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED (Five Minute Limit per Individual on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items):

A resident resumed his discussion on the storm and trees along Lakeshore Drive.

A resident discussed noise issue and possibility of an ordinance to address the issue.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Seid, second by Rebholz (CARRIED) to approve the consent agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Seid, Rebholz, Perry, Sharkey, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Sharkey, second by Rebholz (CARRIED), to approve the agenda as amended.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Sharkey, Rebholz, Perry, Seid, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion was made by Perry, second by Seid (CARRIED), to approve the bills as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Perry, Seid, Rebholz, Sharkey, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: June 29, 2026

A motion was made by Rebholz, second by Sharkey (CARRIED), to approve June 29, 2026 Village Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Rebholz, Sharkey, Perry, Seid, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. MERS Update

We paid MERS \$58,532 on June 17th. This payment was due on July 20th. We are current with our MERS payments and our next payment will be due on August 20th. We will be making this payment towards the end of July.

The General Fund portion of the payment was \$46,530 and the Payroll portion was \$12,002.

b. Administrative Consent Agreement Deficiency Tracker

Manager DuPont has submitted multiple items to EGLE with no response. The Village found out today that we will be receiving a drinking water state revolving fund grant/loan to figure out the White Pine tower, one of the transmission lines and a mixer in the tank. The total loan/grant is in the amount of \$7.5 million with \$1.3 million forgiveness.

A person from the EGLE Small Rural Tribal Development EPA Smart Grant also informed the Village we are eligible for \$800,000.00 through them.

The loan total will be approximately \$6.5 million at a rate of 2%, as opposed to RD which has a rate of 4.5%. It becomes official in mid-August, early September.

c. Recreation Center Millage Request

Manager DuPont informed the Council that the Township tabled the Recreation Center Millage Request at their June meeting. The Township Clerk sent Manager DuPont an email with a list of items required and stated there would not be enough time to get the millage on the upcoming ballot.

Manager DuPont questioned some of the items in the email and has contacted our attorney for verification.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Plow/Sander Quotes-Congressionally Directed Spending

A motion was made by Rebholz, second by Seid (CARRIED) to approve the grant for purchase of a new truck and pre-approve spending up to \$40,000.00 for used truck for DPW.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Rebholz, Seid, Sharkey, Hopper

NAY: Perry

ABSENT: President Coey

b. HYDROCORP Information and Agreement

A motion was made by Rebholz, second by Seid (CARRIED) to approve the 5-year contract with HYDROCORP as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Rebholz, Seid, Perry, Sharkey, Hopper

NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

c. Lakeshore Drive Tree Removal

Round table discussion of Council. Determined to mark trees with caution tape and place warning signage. DuPont will go out for request bids for 34 rotted and damaged trees for removal. Two bids will be requested, one bid for trees removed, second bid for stump removal and grinding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS:

a. UPPCO Appliance Recycling Event

UPPCO will have a recycling event at the Rec Center on September 23, 2026 from 11am – 4pm. Details can be found on the Village website.

b. Ontonagon Town Clean Up/Beautification Volunteers

Council thanked all volunteers that participated in townwide clean up. Signed letter to mail to participants.

c. Pickleball Recreation Center

A round table discussion was held by the Council on recreation center usage, insurance questions, Recreation Commission Ordinance, and Joint Recreation Plan 2023-2027.

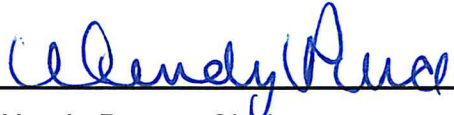
It was moved by Rebholz, second by Seid to adjourn at 6:09 p.m.

AYE: Rebholz, Seid, Perry, Sharkey, Hopper

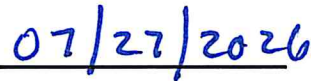
NAY: None

ABSENT: President Coey

Minutes recorded by Office Manager Tanya Weisinger.



Wendy Pence, Clerk



Approved