

VILLAGE OF STEVENSVILLE
BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 010424

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A NEW DIVISION 1 WITHIN CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV OF THE VILLAGE OF STEVENSVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH A PARKS COMMITTEE

The Village of Stevensville Ordains:

Section 1. Amendments. A new Division 1 is added to Chapter 2, Article IV of the Village of Stevensville Code of Ordinances and shall read as follows:

Sec. 2-96. Creation.

The Village of Stevensville Parks Committee is hereby created as an advisory committee to the Village Council and Planning Commission to provide recommendations for improvements to Village parks and undeveloped Village-owned property.

Sec. 2-97. Membership.

- a. The Parks Committee is composed of 3 or 5 members appointed by the Village Council for 2-year terms, except for those members first appointed after the effective date of this ordinance, as provided in subsection b below.
- b. Of the members first appointed after the effective date of this ordinance, less than half of the members shall be appointed for 2-year terms and remaining members shall be appointed to 1-year terms, such that staggered terms will be created going forward.
- c. Members must reside in the Village or Lincoln Charter Township, or must own a business within the Village. The Village Council may remove a member of the Parks Committee for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office upon written charges and after a public hearing.

Sec. 2-98. Officers.

The Parks Committee shall elect annually a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a secretary from its membership. The terms of these officers shall be for one year, with eligibility for re-election. The chairperson shall preside over the meetings. The vice-chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson during the absence or disability of the chairperson. The secretary shall ensure that official records of the Parks Committee meetings are prepared and maintained.

Sec. 2-99. Meetings.

The Parks Committee shall meet as needed but shall endeavor to meet on a consistent day within each month that it elects to meet. All meetings will be publicly posted and open to the public.

Sec. 2-100. Compensation

The Village Council may, through resolution, approve compensation for members of the Parks Committee.

Sec. 2-101. Duties.

The duties of the Parks Committee shall include:

- a. Strategic Planning: Developing a 5-year Parks and Recreation Plan based on public feedback. The Parks Committee shall submit a proposed plan and annual updates to the Planning Commission for feedback and approval.

- b. Implementation: Ensuring projects in the Parks and Recreation Plan are implemented and providing annual updates to the Planning Commission and Village Council.
- c. Fundraising: Conducting fundraising efforts to supplement Village funds for park projects in the Parks and Recreation Plan and other approved projects.
- d. Budgeting: Proposing a budget to the Village Council annually to achieve the goals stated in the Parks and Recreation Plan.
- e. Recruiting: Recruiting volunteers and other participants for Parks Committee projects, activities and development of the Parks and Recreation Plan.
- f. Marketing: Developing plans to market and advertise Village parks and park events.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective either 20 days after adoption or upon publication, whichever occurs later.

YEAS: Binkley, Mason, Patterson, Peters, Schewe, Steinberger

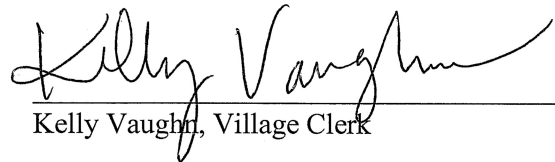
NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Wenger

CERTIFICATION

As the duly appointed Clerk of the Village of Stevensville, Berrien County, Michigan, I certify this is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted by the Stevensville Village Council at its meeting of January 4, 2024.


 Kelly Vaughn, Village Clerk

Adopted: January 4, 2024
 Published: February 8, 2024
 Effective: February 8, 2024