

4/16/24 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
6:30 PM Community House

Present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Jayna Cool, Trustees: Steve Elwood, Gary Warn, Art Dockerty, Dominick Stagliano and Mayor White.

Public: Michael & Ali O'Dockerty, Louise Robusto, Shelley Arduini, Nino Polidori, Larry Schoff, Cassandra Allen, Anthony Possemato, Barbara Stagliano, Cindy Stagliano, Katrina Caringi, Phoebe Sitterly, and Dennis Clark.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor White and the pledge was said.

Public Comment: Peter Briele discussed reimbursement of windows at his parents house and the baseball field netting still not being put up.

Department Heads:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Chris Weaver stated Engine 6 is fixed and ready to be inspected, the Fire Department had 24 members get physicals, and he would like to move forward on purchasing the cameras at the Fire Station. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to accept option #1 for the camera system of \$6,810.00. All ayes, motion carried. Report submitted.

DPW: DPW Superintendent Billy Vicciarelli discussed the new fuel system being installed at the DPW garage. The sewer jetter he was going to try out has not arrived yet. Trustee Stagliano asked if Billy itemizes the payroll and bills the cemetery, marina, or water department when the DPW works on those items. Billy stated they have not itemized payroll like that in years. Report submitted.

WWTP: No one present. Report submitted.

Police: Report submitted.

Codes: Code Enforcement Officer Cliff Dorrough brought in the citations he has done in 4 months. He informed the public and board that once he cites a property, it goes into the hands of the courts. There was a discussion regarding Central Hotel. Report submitted.

Dog Control: Report submitted. Mayor White stated the Dog Control Officer has been giving dog owners appearance tickets for expired licenses and that seems to be working to get people to come in and license their dogs.

Marina: A motion was made by Trustee Warn and seconded by Trustee Elwood to accept Erika Lyons and Greg Morse for the Marina Seasonal Positions. All ayes, motion carried. The sewer blocks have been installed at the Marina. Once the back room is cleaned out, the software for the new Marina fuel pumps will be installed in that room.

Treasurer: A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Dockerty to approve Resolution #6 of 2024 regarding the SEQR Process for the WWTP. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to approve Resolution #7 of 2024 for grass and brush control with Montgomery County. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn for Jayna Cool to contact Cricket Wireless to see if we can cancel the 4 cell phones that are not being used, and keep the one for the Marina. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Dockerty to take the balance of 30 Church Street water/sewer bill, and divide it by 6 for a monthly payment calculation. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to add \$20.00 to the annual garbage billing sent out to the churches, Youth Center, and Library. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Dockerty and seconded by Trustee Elwood to have the Village attorney look into charging garbage fee to tax exempt organizations. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Stagliano and seconded by Trustee Elwood to approve the budget amendments made by Clerk-Treasurer Jayna Cool. All ayes, motion carried.

Legal: Attorney Mastromoro will start the paper work to grieve the taxes for the Town of Ephratah again.

Old Business:

-Fire Districts- Terry Hannigan is the attorney the Village retained to get more information on Fire Districts. He will be setting up a meeting with the Fire Department members, then he will set up a meeting with the boards of the Village of St. Johnsville, the Town of St. Johnsville, and the Town of Danube.

-Grandstand- Larry Schoff is waiting to get cost on the netting for the grandstand.

-Fencing Amendment- A motion was made by Trustee Stagliano and seconded by Trustee Elwood to table this matter.

-A motion was made by Trustee Warn and seconded by Trustee Dockerty to hold a public hearing on May 21st at 5:15PM for presentation of Local Law #3 of 2024 regarding Fire Membership tax break. All ayes, motion carried.

Consent Agenda: A motion to **create** a **consent agenda** consisting of the minutes of the 3/12 Regular Meeting, DPW, WWTP, Police, Codes and Treasurer’s reports and minutes, 3/28 Public hearing minutes, and 4/11 Organizational meeting (with Trustee Stagliano’s corrections) was made by Trustee Dockerty and seconded by Trustee Elwood. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to **adopt** said **Agenda** was made by Trustee Dockerty and seconded by Trustee Elwood. All ayes, motion carried.

Audit of Claims: A motion to **accept** the claims as presented to the Board as approved to the Board by the Clerk, in the amount of **\$177,125.53** was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. Ayes: Trustee Elwood, Dockerty, Warn, and Mayor White. Nay: Trustee Stagliano Trustee Stagliano made a motion to not accept vouchers 2024-851, 2024-808, 2024-837,2024- 806, and 2024-805. He did not receive a second. The claims are broken down as follows:

General Fund:	\$ 117,918.92
Cemetery Fund:	\$ 48.70
Marina Fund:	\$ 15,364.07
Water Fund:	\$ 18,719.21
Sewer Fund:	\$ 52,074.63

New Business:

- UTV Trail- need more information before

-End of Summer party- need to get a vendor permit from Cliff, and figure out insurance for bounce houses

-Consultant-tabled

A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Dockerty to hold a public hearing on April 25th at 5:30PM for presentation of Local Law #2 regarding overriding the tax cap, as well as a budget workshop meeting to follow the public hearing. All ayes, motion carried.

Public Comment: Nino Polidori asked when the Marina was opening. The answer is May 1st.

Other:

A motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:28 PM and go into executive session to discuss DPW Personnel employment discipline was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Dockerty. All ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting-May 21st at 5:30PM.