

5/21/24 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
5:30 PM Community House

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

Public: Skip Darrach, Julie Eisele, Nino Polidori, and John Lull.

Meeting was called to order at 5:40 PM by Mayor White and the pledge was said.

Public Comment: Skip Darrach discussed his ongoing feral cat problem by his house on Sanders Street, he asked for a copy of the animal ordinance. Mayor White told Mr. Darrach that she has contacted Montgomery County ASPCA, NYS Ag. & Markets, the Village of Dolgeville, and Sherrie Keough with no luck from those sources in helping us with our feral cat problem.

Department Heads:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Chris Weaver stated the camera system is up and running at the Fire House, Engine 6 and the Brush Truck passed their NYS inspections, Engine 3 and Engine 1 still need to be inspected, the Tower needs work done on it, OSHA training has been completed, 5 new members were voted in on the 20th, the Fire Department members are getting the truck ready for the Memorial Day Parade, and the Fire Department would like to purchase a weedwacker and push mower for maintenance behind the Fire House. DPW Superintendent told Chief Weaver they have extra of both of those and he will give them to the Fire Department. Report submitted.

DPW: DPW Superintendent Billy Vicciarelli discussed the lead pipe inventory. Mayor White would like to use ARPA funds to replace the fence at the basketball court at the park, and have the lines on the court repainted. Report submitted.

WWTP: WWTP Supervisor Frank Erno informed the board that Cody signed up for classes in October and December. Frank was able to get a free sampler and free flow meter from NYS by participating in reporting requested by the state. The cost of these items total around \$12,400.00. Report submitted.

Police: Chief Chad Manley discussed the SPO instead of SRO Contract for the OESJ Highschool and Elementary school, the IT grant we received of \$169,368.00, and fencing at Grandstand entrances to keep people out of the Grandstand after hours. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to bring back lock outs for residents, which allows the Village Police to unlock a residents vehicle if they lock themselves out of it. All ayes, motion carried. Report submitted.

Codes: Code Enforcement Officer Cliff Dorrough has been giving citations out for tall grass. He informed the public and board that the roof is being replaced on Center Street of the property owned by the Landbank. Report submitted.

Dog Control: Report submitted.

Marina: Mayor White discussed the docks we received are not floating docks. To send them back to the company would be \$18,000.00. Instead of doing that, the DPW will order the parts needed to make them floating docks and do the work themselves. The canal is open.

Treasurer: A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to allow a payment plan for 16 Rockefeller's water/sewer bill. Whatever the total amount due is, that will be divided by 6 and that is what they will owe each month. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to approve the contract presented by Ayres Animal Shelter for a one-year term. Ayes- Trustee Warn, Elwood, Mayor White. Nay- Trustee Stagliano.

Legal: Attorney Mastromoro discussed Ephratah Tax Grievance and 12 E. Main Street.

Old Business:

- Fire Districts- Tabled.
- Coins- Will contact an auction house
- August Associates- A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to approve extending the contract with August Associates for the month of June. Ayes- Trustee Warn, Elwood, Mayor White. Nay- Trustee Stagliano.
- Grandstand- Tabled.
- Fencing Amendment- Trustee Stagliano is concerned with the 2ft requirement for the side yard. Trustee Elwood and Code Officer Cliff will work on this and present next month.
- Tax Break for Fire Department members- A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to approve Local Law #3 of 2024. All ayes, motion carried.
- UTV Routes- Tabled.
- End of Summer Event- Tabled.
- Consultant- Tabled.

Consent Agenda: A motion to **create** a **consent agenda** consisting of the 4/16 Regular Meeting, DPW, WWTP, Police, and Treasurer’s reports and minutes. As well as the 4/15 Public Hearing, 4/25 Public Hearing and Budget workshop, 4/30 Public Hearing, and 5/7 Emergency Meeting minutes was made by Trustee Warn and seconded by Trustee Elwood. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to **adopt** said **Agenda** was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. 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 **\$141,562.10** was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion carried.

The claims are broken down as follows:

General Fund:	\$ 80,260.74
Cemetery Fund:	\$ 207.04
Marina Fund:	\$ 1,281.70
Water Fund:	\$ 12,425.22
Sewer Fund:	\$ 47,387.40

New Business:

A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to begin Phase 2 of the Upper Mill, which could be up to \$10,000.00 cost to the Village. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to approve the proposal submitted by Delaware Engineering for the Comprehensive Plan for the Village. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to accept the bond resolution pertaining to the WWTP Improvement Project subject to a permissive referendum. Ayes- Trustee Warn, Elwood, Mayor White. Nay- Trustee Stagliano.

Public Comment: Julie Eisele asked to board to consider next year participating in “No mow May”. This allows residents to keep their grass long in the month of May to help pollinators such as bee’s.

Other:

A motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:30 PM was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting-June 18th at 5:30PM.