

5/19/20 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
6:30 PM Community House

Present: Mayor Straney, Trustees: Kathy Buckley in person, Connie Grant, Art Dockerty via Gotomeeting

Public: No one present, per required social distancing order. Leeann & Peter Brisbin, W. Liberty via Gotomeeting

Also: Treasurer Brandon Loren in person, DPW Superintendent Jarrod Walrath, Police Chief Diana Callen, and WWTP Supervisor Frank Erno via Gotomeeting.

Attorney: not present

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Straney and the salute to the flag was given. Mayor Straney held a moment of silence for the lives lost due to the COVID-19 Virus.

Department Heads:

Fire Department: No one present. Report submitted.

DPW: Jarrod discussed the manhole cover at the bottom of Fowler Hill being repaired. He ordered new flags for various Village buildings. Mayor Straney informed the Board of Public Works appreciation day and discussed the great job the DPW and WWTP employees do for the Village. Trustee Dockerty discussed getting cameras for the DPW. Report submitted.

WWTP: Frank discussed the switching of clarifier4s and aerators. The sludge was taken out and sent to the Johnstown- Gloversville WWTP. The RAS pump needs to be returned due to the lack of a direct bolt setup. Frank met with FEMA and discussed the return action sludge pump and influent pump. No report.

Police: Chief Callen stated that the call volume has been normal. The 2019 Charger has gotten 2 new tires, brakes and rotors. There is a 2 year warranty on the rotors and lifetime brakes. Mayor Straney discussed the old cruiser as being used as a Village vehicle if it passes inspection. Instead of the DPW driving places with an F350 they could use that and save on gas, and wear and tear. Also, could be used as a back-up SRO vehicle. Chief Callen also discussed the Montgomery County report on car parades not being allowed based on the COVID-19 Executive Order. Report submitted.

Codes: No one present, no report. Mayor Straney informed the Board of a house that had accumulated 3.5 ton of items brought to the landfill, which was a fire hazard. The police, codes, Mayor, and DPW all helped assist in resolving this matter.

Marina: No one present, no report. Under Montgomery County's order, the Marina may open as a "Temporary Residential Site". Residents who bring their campers there must self-quarantine for 14 days and report to the Department of Health. The buildings at the Marina i.e. Bathhouse, Laundry Room, Harbor House are closed. Mayor Straney received a call from Steve Ramsey from the NY State Power Authority regarding their plan to hopefully start the Waterway opening July 4th to Aug 8th.

Treasurer: Treasurer Brandon Loren was present, no report. Brandon is getting everything

ready for the Year end meeting on May 29th.

Dog Census-No one present, no report. Mayor Straney stated that Kirk Bayes has taken the position but at this time can not go door to door due to the COVID-19 Executive Order.

Cemetery-No one present, no report. Mayor Straney discussed that the positions at the Cemetery have been cut to one. Matt LaCoppola is doing a great job at the Cemetery and can receive help from the DPW if needed.

Public: Leeann & Peter Brisbin via Gotomeeting, wanted to thank the Village employees for the great job they do around the Village and for the residents.

Legals: Mayor Straney updated the Board regarding the Solar Liberty/ AES project. The paperwork is almost finalized and there has been discussion about the taxes generated relative to the project. He will be gathering the documents needed for the Tax Grievance days at the Town of Oppenheim and Town of Ephratah.

Other: Mayor Straney stated to the Board that the Village employees would be going back to their regular scheduled hours starting Monday, April 27, 2020. There is essential Village work that can be done safe and solitary manner in accordance with State requirements.

Consent Agenda: A motion to **create** a **consent agenda** consisting of the minutes of the 4/21/20 Regular Meeting, DPW, WWTP, Police, Codes and Treasurer's reports was made by Trustee Grant and seconded by Trustee Dockerty. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to **adopt** said **Agenda** was made by Buckley and seconded by Trustee Dockerty. 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 Treasurer, in the amount of **\$49,906.95** was made by Trustee Grant and seconded by Trustee Buckley. All ayes, motion carried. The claims are broken down as follows:

General Fund:	\$ 30,095.67
Cemetery Fund:	\$ 0.00
Marina Fund:	\$ 281.00
Water Fund:	\$ 2,983.82
Sewer Fund:	\$ 16,546.46

New business:

The Village Wide Trash days will be on June 12th and June 13th.

The Year End/ Organizational Meeting will be held May 29th at 6:30.

There was a discussion from Mayor Straney regarding the Library being a School entity as opposed to a Village entity. As of June 1st the Library will be taking over their own payroll, payments, check cashing, insurance, and accounting.

A motion was made by Trustee Dockerty and seconded by Trustee Connie to approve Resolution #4 of 2020 Contract for the control of grass and brush on County Roads beginning June 1, 2020 and ending May 31, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Buckley and seconded by Trustee Dockerty to have Mayor Straney put a notice out regarding the cancellation of the Parks & Recreation program at the Soldiers & Sailors park and, the cancellation of the Marina Concerts. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made at 8:33 PM by Trustee Buckley and seconded by Trustee Dockerty. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to go into executive session was made by Trustee Grant and seconded by Trustee Buckley. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Grant and seconded by Trustee Dockerty to come out of executive session. Nothing to report. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Grant and seconded by Trustee Dockerty. All ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting- June 16th at 6:30 pm