

REGULAR SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON AUGUST 11, 2020
AT VILLAGE HALL 61 FRONT STREET, DEPOSIT NY AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Moore, Trustees Brown and Warner, C/T Budine, DC/T Shirkey, DPW Supervisor Steve Evans, Melissa Bishop, Lisa Smith, Nick Barone and Bridget Davis.

ABSENT: Trustee Durning

Mayor Moore stated that since there had been two people interested in the open Trustee position vacated by RD Rynearson that he would ask the boards pleasure on filling the seat by roll call vote. Trustee Durning was absent but email his choice as Lisa Smith. Trustees Brown and Warner also chose Ms. Smith
Mayor Moore appointed Lisa Smith to fill out the term of RD Rynearson. He invited her to come up and take her place with the board.

MOTION#109/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to accept for filing the Planning board minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#110/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to waive the reading of the reading of the July 14, 2020 Regular Session, July 16, 2020 special Session and the July 28, 2020 Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#111/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to accept for filing of the July 14, 2020 Regular Session, July 16, 2020 Special Session and the July 28, 2020 Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#112/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to accept for filing the monthly Treasurer's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

STREETS

DPW Supervisor Evans reported that Bothar Construction was paving the Mills Street Bridge. He also informed the board that we had had a mudslide at the sewer plant that took out some of the fence. He felt that we would clean it up ourselves.

Mr. Evans also reported that we had about half of the sidewalk money left to spend, but the crew was moving right along replacing sidewalks in the Village.

Steve stated that we have purchased 9 more picnic tables for a total of 12. Mayor Moore stated that people were enjoying them at Riverside Park. There will also be BBQ grills soon.

Mr. Evans informed the board that Vacry Construction was installing ADA ramps on Route 10-Oak Street by BC Pizza and the Oaks Street Trailer Park.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No business

TRUSTEES

Trustee Brown thanked Lisa Smith and Dean Price for a willingness to serve. He then welcomed Ms. Smith to the board.

Trustee Warner thanked Lisa for stepping up to serve. Mr. Warner asked if DPWS Evans was going to submit the damage to the fence at the WWTP to insurance. He felt it would be worth trying.

Trustee Smith stated that she appreciated the offer to serve and that she wanted the people to know that she is always willing to listen to them.

PRESIDENT

Mayor Moore asked for a moment in Executive Session to discuss specific personnel.

Mayor Moore reported to the board that Ms. Hashem was working her way through the court's unanswered tickets, there were 1720 of them. She also stated she had to correct 500 errors on the unpaid list. Then she would have to make a list of all tickets with no record and submit to the DMV as "due diligence" and have them removed. Then make a list of the unanswered tickets that will then have to be sent to the DA's office so they can sign off and dismiss as there is no way they can prosecute them. The criminal cases had to be entered into the computer. Mayor Moore stated how embarrassing it was that our court was an absolute mess and it was because people were not doing their jobs. He felt this was not on the new clerk but went back to the old court clerk.

Mr. Moore stated that Mr. Harding reported that all reports and documents have been filed with NYS DCJS to close the Village of Deposit Police Department. The evidence was waiting for permission from the NYS SP to be destroyed, all narcotic evidence has been burned, all property not being returned to the owner or sent to auction has been destroyed, roughly 23 items have been returned to their owners, auction items have been placed in the garage. In total over 467 items of evidence were logged, researched and disposed of.

Mayor Moore stated that the picnic tables were out and being enjoyed. He has also cleared with the FD Chief Rynearson the purchase of fire pit rings for the park near Oquaga Creek. He stated that Riverside Park is being used alt and he is glad people are enjoying it.

Mr. Moore stated that in a few weeks we would have some big news for the Village from FUDR.

Mr. Moore stated that the seasonal help was working out great and that he would like to use money from General Fund Fund balance to pay for 2 more weeks in the amount of \$755.20.

MOTION#113/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to take \$755.20 from General Fund Fund balance to cover the wages. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Moore informed everyone that local law #7 of 2011 had made the intersection of Pine and Second Streets a two way stop. He felt that the Village should ask the property owner at the corner of Pine and Second if they could trim their hedges to help with seeing oncoming traffic. He also felt that a LED stop sign could be installed. They cost around \$2200 each. Trustee Warner stated that if it could prevent an accident it would be worth the cost. Trustee Brown felt that the hedge trimming request should be first,

Trustee Smith agreed. Mayor Moore felt that most of the people not stopping were not from the area and didn't understand how the intersection worked. Bridget Davis asked if a "stop ahead" sign could help. Melissa Bishop asked if a larger stop sign could be obtained. It was decided that DPWS Evans would ask the property owner if the hedges could be trimmed, and see if that helped. Then if nothing changed we would go with the LED stop signs.

MOTION#114/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to appoint Mr. Carson as Planning Board alternate. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE

MOTION#115/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve for payment the Abstract of Audited #6 vouchers as listed:

General Fund	\$ 11,673.77
Water Fund	\$ 21,333.48
Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 7,265.84</u>
	\$40,273.09

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#116/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to award the bids for a single audit of the H fund to Insero & Co., CPA for \$9,500. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#117/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to allow \$139.58 to be taken from General Fund fund balance to pay Officer Harding's wages. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#118/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to move \$325.00 from General Fund, Fund Balance to A1110.1 to pay the Court Clerk's wages. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#119/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to close the Clerk's office for the week of Christmas. Motion passed unanimously.

GUESTS

Melissa Bishop stated that it was nice to be in the new building. She asked when brush pickup was. DPWS Evans stated it was the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. Then she asked about the meeting with the lawyer and the code enforcement officer. Mayor Moore stated that the lawyer was on retainer so it didn't cost the Village any extra and that we needed him to weigh in on potential new junk and nuisance property laws. He stated that the CEO is following the suggested procedure and moving forward. These things take time. Ms. Bishop that the CEO was the only one who had recourse for these nuisance properties and that she was glad things were moving forward. Finally she thanked the Mayor for reading the letter requesting support from the Historical Society.

Nick Barone Chamber President stated that there was \$1200 left from the \$5000 grant and hoped the rest would be spent. Mayor Moore informed him that we would be purchasing fire rings with the left over money, after picnic tables and BBQs were purchased. Mr. Barone stated the Chamber was very fortunate to receive the grant. He then asked about the fishing access at the Riverside Park. Mayor Moore stated that the plans had just gone out to FEMA for their approval and that everything should be in place by the fall.

Mr. Barone stated that every year he asked people to advertise in the local events/places to see magazine. He didn't understand why none of the businesses advertised in it.

Mr. Barone informed the board that it was with much regret that they had decided to cancel the Oktoberfest due to Covid 19 concerns. But he felt it was the responsible thing to do. He hopes that the Christmas parade would be able to happen.

Trustee Warner thanked Mr. Barone for getting the grant for picnic table and BBQ's.

Mr. Barone stated that he was concerned that all the electrical work that had been done on the poles, for the Christmas lights, would have to be replaced, since it was not in the correct location on the poles.

MOTION#120/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to go into Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#121/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#122/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen L. Budine
Clerk Treasurer