

REGULAR SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUTEES ON SEPTEMBER 14,
2021 AT VILLAGE HALL 61 FRONT ST., AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Moore, Trustees Brown, Price and Warner, C/T Budine, DC/T
Shirkey and DPW Supervisor Steve Evans.

ABSENT: Trustee Durning.

MOTION#150/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to accept for filing the August Code Enforcement Officer's report. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#151/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to waive the reading of the August 10th Regular and the August 24th Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#152/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Price and seconded by Trustee Warner to accept for filing of the August 10th and Regular and the July 24th Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#153/20-21

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/WATER/SEWER

DPW Supervisor Evans reported that they were winding down with the blacktopping and starting to do some leaf pick up.

The Oquaga Creek project has started and work has begun on the structure below the bridge for the water main. Mayor Moore stated that someone had called the DEC to report the contractor. He had also had complaints for local businesses that the job had not been bid out and that supplies were not being purchased locally. Mayor Moore reported that he had told the complainants that they would have to reach out to Broome County because it was their job. Supervisor Evans stated that the DEC had come to the job and they spoke with the contractor. Mr. Evans also spoke to the DEC and everything is ok and good to go. The contractor has asked for and been granted an extension for October 1st.

Mr. Evans informed the board that the Pine Street water tank repairs will begin next week. There should be no noticeable interruption in service. The repairs from start to finish should take about 2 weeks.

Mayor Moore told Supervisor Evans that he had some thoughts on the kiosk. He would like to have credit give to Mike Zandt for the logo and Dana Wagner for building it. Mayor Moore wanted to add some more area highlights and events. He will print out a copy of these for Mr. Evans. Trustee Brown asked what the signs will cost. Trustee Price said the cost was \$679.

MOTION#154/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Price and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve moving forward with the sign changes. Motion passed unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No business

TRUSTEES

Trustee Warner wanted to thank Chris Zacharias, Nancy Zacharias and Jim Ficurilli for all their hard work on the 20th Anniversary of 9/11 ceremony.

PRESIDENT

Mayor Moore stated that there had been some confusion about the flag pole for the Monument on Monument Street. He will contact Terry Whiting about more details.

Mayor Moore said that he has been working with all the parties involved in the A-Z demolition. The survey should be done soon and then we will know what has to be done to move forward. Trustee Warner asked when this will be complete and Supervisor Evans stated that Gorick has scheduled us for the middle of October. Mayor Moore said he has been speaking with CEO Hathaway and will ask him about the demolition permit. Supervisor Evans stated he is seeking 2 quotes for air quality testing as required. He has one quote back and is waiting on the other. Trustee Price asked what the air quality testing was for and Mr. Evans said it was for asbestos. Trustee Brown asked if they would be spraying water during demolition and Mr. Evans said that the construction company would. Trustee Price asked who the 2 companies for air testing were and Mr. Evans replied that they were Atlantic Environmental Conservation and Delta Engineering.

MOTION#155/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to allow the Mayor's signature on the contract to sell old Village Hall for \$115,000. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Price wanted to circle back to the flag pole on Monument Street. Mayor Moore stated that there had been some confusion and the VFW doesn't want to be involved with it. Mayor Moore stated that the Village had agreed to pay half and it would be up to Mr. Whiting to find funding for the other half.

Mr. Moore stated he would like to give the \$5000 from Blue Stone Wind's amended road use agreement to Supervisor Evans's budget, to finish up blacktopping for the year.

MOTION#156/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to allow the \$5000 from Blue Stone Wind to be put in the blacktop budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Moore stated that there is damage to Allen Street and that he would like to have the lawyer review the contract again to see when this will be repaired. He would like it addressed before plowing season, because it could complicate keeping the streets clear. He said he would call the lawyer about this.

Mayor Moore went on the report we had complaints about compost bins. Trustee Warner suggested that CEO Hathaway should give the offender the guidance from the DEC.

Mayor Moore stated that budget sessions would start in October and he would like the first one after the work session. He wants the board to be mindful that we will have to include a line for blighted property. Mr. Moore stated that for every \$10,000 added to the budget it would be a 1% increase in the budget.

FINANCE

MOTION#157/21-22

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

General Fund	\$ 27,746.31
Water Fund	\$ 9,811.99
Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 31,040.16</u>
	\$ 65,598.46

Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Moore gave an update on the Cultural preservation funds from Blue Stone Wind. The original request included funding for local cemeteries and an option for historic home preservation guidelines. The Federal government chose for the money to be spent on the guidance for historic home preservation. The Village would have to hire an expert on the subject to come up with guidance for this. The Mayor felt that the whole project would be very complicated and exceed the funds. Currently we do not have the funds to cover the excess, so he was going to call Blue Stone Wind and see what our options could be.

MOTION#158/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve \$2090.55 to be taken from General Fund fund balance to pay keystone Engineer's invoice. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#159/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve payment of invoices 50 & 51 from abstract 6. Motion passed unanimously.

GUESTS

None

MOTION#160/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Price and seconded by Trustee Warner to adjourn at 7:50PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen L. Budine
Clerk Treasurer