

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF BELMONT - COUNTY OF ALLEGANY
OCTOBER 18, 2021

Present: Mayor DeTine, Trustees: Grantier, Evans and Mapes.

Absent: Trustee Frisk.

Employees:

Public: Lisa Schmitt, Sandra Sutton, Dana Hand, Casey Jones, Wayne Marvin, Chris Plummer, Nick Horton, Mark Presutti, Randy Swarthout and JC Cartwright.

Mayor DeTine opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

The Board pledged the flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved on a motion by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that Trustee Frisk will not be here tonight but is doing very well.

Motion to accept the court cash report made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to approve the water and sewer billing adjustments made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the bid information for the Town and Village Hall boiler replacement project. The Town Council has awarded the bid to Lindseys Plumbing. Motion to accept made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 3 ayes and 0 no's. Mayor DeTine abstained from the vote.

Mayor DeTine met with the DPW employees and leaf and brush pick up will be the first week in November. Motion to approve made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine discussed ordering 2 dozen water meters. There is no date for availability or delivery. Motion to order made by Trustee Mapes, 2nd by Trustee Evans and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine discussed Scott Feness acquiring a D Water License. The board agrees.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that Paul Conklin is in the process of providing an appraisal for the South Street Athletic Field property.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that Greg Winterhalter is the contact for the Allegany County Hazard Mitigation Plan. He would like to make Chelsea the contact. The board agrees.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the information on internet and broadband availability.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the quote from Maybee Enterprises for transporting the reed bed materials to Highland landfill. Motion to accept made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the letter from NYS DOT. The Village will roll over \$1500 in CHIPS funding to next year.

Trustee Mapes informed the board that the Facebook post regarding Halloween date and time received some response and some of it negative. The board agrees to consider this in the future.

Motion to accept payroll records and pay bills on Abstract #5A made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's as follows: General \$4,193.12, Fire Department \$1,185.37, Water \$2,840.33 and Sewer \$3,022.30.

Dana Hand reviewed the report from Kevin Margerum (MACE) regarding the status of property maintenance complaints in the Village. Dana would like to change the meeting date for the Planning Board to the 4th Monday of each month. Wednesday the Alfred State students will do their presentation for the joint comprehensive plan.

Mayor DeTine would like to subscribe to Diamond Maps for the DPW at a cost of \$300 per year, which equals \$100 per year per department. Motion to approve made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine and the board reviewed the proposal from the fire district on the transfer. The Mayor will respond to the fire district attorney.

Motion to write a check to the fire district for the amount of about \$4500 equal to the amount in the Fire Department building fund made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Grantier.

Nick Horton informed the board that the new rescue truck is in service. The fire company will be doing additional graphics, under coating and ceramic coating. The Fire Company will get rid of the old ambulance.

Trustee asked for the basis of the proposal from the fire district. Mark Presutti stated that the attorney is their representation.

Mark Presutti asked why the village would be charging rent to the district. Mayor DeTine stated that the Village will present a counter proposal.

Sandra Sutton asked why the Village DPW moved into a section of the fire hall years ago.

Randy Swarhout stated that they moved in after the flood of '72.

Nick Horton stated that the Town and Village originally built the fire hall.

Mayor DeTine offered to have 2 Village board members meet with 2 fire commissioners. It was agreed that they will meet on Tuesday the 26th at 6:00 PM.

Motion to accept the water department monthly pumping report made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that 2 water leaks have been repaired. One leak on 19 North and one on Austin Street were repaired. Oakley Sortore, Friendship DPW employee, attended a Village DPW meeting. Friendship uses radio read meters. They have 554 meters and the radio read system cost them about \$170,000. The Mayor discussed moving to monthly water and sewer billing in the future.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that there is nothing new on the Phillips Creek bank stabilization project.

Motion to enter executive session for the discussion of personnel made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's at 8:00 PM.

Mayor DeTine reopened the regular meeting at 8:55 PM.

The board discussed the adoption of a local law to opt out of marijuana sales in the village.

Meeting adjourned on a motion by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard J. Hoshal
Clerk/Treasurer