

# **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting**

# **Minutes**

Monday, November 2, 2020 at 6:30 am

## 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance

#### Minutes:

Time: 6:35pm

Present: Mayor Tackman, Deputy Mayor Liedka, Trustee Albanese, Trustee Raesky,

Trustee Celletti

Also Present: Manager Moracco, Chief Shields, Superintendent Hughson, Director

Richardson, Robert Germain, Janet Mattox, Paul Knierman, Gregory Hanley

# 2. Motion by Trustee Albanese, 2nd by Deputy Mayor Liedka, to approve the last Board minutes

#### Minutes:

Polling the Board: Yes Motion Carried R2020-218

# 3. Motion to approve vouchers

#### Minutes:

Motion by Mayor Tackman, 2nd by Trustee Celletti, to approve the following vouchers for payment from the consolidated Fund Abstract, Vouchers numbers 62019 through 62106 in the amount of \$ 340,683.33

Polling the Board: yes Motion Carried R2020-219

## Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

#### 4. Motion to Purchase a sidewalk plow for DPW Dept.

#### Minutes:

Motion by Trustee Raesky, 2nd by Deputy Mayor Liedka, to purchase a sidewalk plow from Cyncon Equipment with attachments for \$151,226.00. A seven year lease will be established the first payment will start in 2022 at a rate of \$24,694.45 yearly.

• Polling the Board R2020-220

#### Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

#### 5. Motion to approve signing the MLA small cell agreement

#### Minutes:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Liedka, 2nd by Trustee Albanese, to approve signing the

small cell MLA agreement with Verizon.

- Polling the Board
  - \*Mayor Tackman Yes \*Deputy Mayor Liedka Yes \*Trustee Albanese Yes
- Trustee Raesky Yes \*Trustee Celletti No

Motion Carried R2020-222

**Vote results:** 

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 1

# **Mayors Comments:**

#### 6. Fire department recruitment

#### Minutes:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Liedka, 2nd by Trustee Albanese to hold a meeting with the Fire department chiefs and Paul Knierman President of Fire Department Inc, to establish better way's to recruit and retain fire department members. Trustee Raesky requested that the members of the Town Board be invited. \* Meeting set for November 9,2020 at 5:30pm in the court room

• Motion Carried R2020-223

#### Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

#### 7. House on West Manlius Street

#### Minutes:

Chris Shields has been looking into the problems at this home on West Manlius St. and will continue too, Chris said that the issue has been taken care of and there should be no more problems.

# 8. CSX resident have been complaining of the noise and the damage to the road due to increase traffic.

#### Minutes:

The Mayor informed the Board that Senator Schumer office has gotten involved in helping to reach out to CSX. A conference call will be set up with all parties attending.

#### 9. Trucks blocking the Road on E Second Street

#### **Minutes:**

The Mayor has reached out to the Town Police to look into this.

#### 10. Request from Chief Creamer for reimbursement

#### Minutes:

Motion by Mayor Tackman, 2nd by Trustee Celletti to approve reimbursing Chief Cramer for expenses acquired, in attending a court hearing. Parking \$5.00, Millage \$5.87 The Board approved reimbursing parking and millage only Total \$10.87 \*

Polling the Board R2020-224

**Vote results:** 

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

#### **Board Members Comments:**

# 11. Budget Committee Report

#### Minutes:

Trustee Albanese informed the Board that the budget committee had a meeting on October 29 and discussed the following items: we're the budget is today, outstanding bonds and leases, grants that are being done this year, budget lines that has been overdrawn and leases that will be paid off by the 2021 .The Board was presented with a report outlining the projected budget .

Trustee Albanese also said the budget committee would like to have the Board Cid considered c a new sidewalk plow for DPW.

Trustee Celletti requested that the Board also start to reestablish a capital reserve fund for large purchases such as fire trucks and repairs needed for their community pool .

# **Village Manager / Clerk Comments:**

# 12. Excellus Insurance Up-Date

#### Minutes:

The Village Manger informed the Board that Health insurance has gone up in the following:

Excellus health insurance has the following increases in their coverage: \* Platinum 2

- Hospital copay increased from \$250 to \$500 \* Gold 17 - Special Deductible increased from \$900/\$1800 to \$1000/\$2000 \* Silver 2 - the deductible to \$2,600 single / \$5,200 Family all plans have an adjustment in Out of pocket maximum. A meeting with the insurance carrier will be set up in the next 2 weeks, to go over this with staff.

# 13. Motion to sign a contract with a Temp Agency

#### Minutes:

Motion by Mayor Tackman, 2nd by Deputy Mayor Liedka, to hire Aerotek Temp Agency, to supply a temporary worker to help in the Clerks office.

Polling the Board: Motion Carried R2020-225

#### **Vote results:**

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

#### 14. COVID policy

#### **Minutes:**

The Board has requested that the Village Manager put together a Village safety COVID-19 Policy, as soon as posable.

# 15. Motion to accept Jason Fistick resignation

#### Minutes:

Motion by Trustee Albanese, 2nd by Trustee Raesky, to accept Jason Fistick resignation

Polling the Board Motion Carried R2020-226

#### Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

# **Department Reports**

#### 16. DPW

#### Minutes:

\*Superintendent Hughson informed the Board that he was replacing the remaining 3 parking lot lights to LED. After those have been switched out then all lights are LED.

• They will begin to pick up leaves this month

# 17. Fire Department

#### Minutes:

- Chief informed the Board how the fire department is handling COVID-19
- Chief talked about, Fire Department budget concerns and the need to increase the total fire department budget for next year.

#### 18. Codes

#### Minutes:

\*Chris Shields informed the Board that a new business will soon be coming to the Village, at this time there needed to be a few more steps taken before he can publicly announce who.

- Dollar General has been remodeled, and looks great.
- Habitat for humanity supplies store will be moving in they will be starting renovation's inside as well as resurfacing the parking lot.

#### 19. Parks & Recreation

#### Minutes:

Director Richardson asked the Board to decide if the Village is still holding the tree lighting event. The Mayor and the Board members said that with COVID we may have to change how we do this event. The Mayor said that we could do it virtual. Over the next weeks they will determine a solution.

# **Community Comments:**

# 20. Paul Knierman, President of Fire Department Inc.

#### Minutes:

Requested that the Board consider getting another set of fire department gear for active members, This way one set can be disinfected.

# **Adjournment**

## 21. Motion to Adjourn

#### **Minutes:**

Motion by Trustee Albanese, 2nd by Trustee Celletti, to approve to adjourn

• Polling the Board Motion Carried

#### Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

# \*\*Please note this agenda may change prior to the board meeting\*\*

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