

January 19, 2016

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A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, in the Village Hall. Mayor Westcott opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Deputy Mayor Conley, Trustee Blumrick, Trustee Hinkson, Trustee McAvoy, Coordinator Bobbitt, Police Chief Swick, Clerk-Treasurer Schweigert, and Brian Seaman, attorney. Deputy Mayor Conley led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were a few residents in attendance, as well. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Conley, and seconded by Trustee Hinkson, to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2015, meeting. Carried, with all present voting aye. A motion was made by Trustee Blumrick, and seconded by Trustee McAvoy, to approve payment of claims submitted on Abstract No. 8-15/16 in the amount of: General: \$44,364.90; Water: \$14,676.32; Sewer: \$6,794.87; for a total of \$65,836.09. Carried, with all present voting aye. A motion was made by Trustee Hinkson, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to authorize the following budget line item transfers: TO FROM AMOUNT A1325.12 A1325.11 \$ 328.80 A1910.4 A9010.8 1,711.58 A7145.1 A1325.11 232.50 A7310.11 A1325.11 25.00 A7510.4 A1990.4 2,900.00 G8120.2 G9060.8 659.16 TOTAL: \$5,857.04 Carried, with all present voting aye. A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Trustee Blumrick, to approve payrolls no. 15, 16, and 17 for periods ending December 12 and December 26, 2015, and January 9, 2016. Carried, with all present voting aye. The Treasurer's report was submitted and accepted for December 2016. The Public Works report was submitted and accepted for December 2016. The DPW was commended for the excellent plowing done this winter. The Village and Town Police reports were submitted and accepted for December 2016. The 2015 annual report was also submitted, with Chief Swick reading the highlights. The Fire Department's financial report for 2015 was submitted and accepted. The application submitted by Keifer Bloom for Junior Firefighter was accepted. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Conley, and seconded by Trustee Hinkson, to appoint Mayor Westcott as Budget Officer for the ensuing year. Carried, with all present voting aye. A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Trustee Blumrick, to appoint Mrs. Barbara Keirn and Mrs. Patricia Reale as election inspectors. Chairperson to be appointed by the Clerk-Treasurer. Carried, with all present voting aye. A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to authorize compensation at \$12 per hour for the election inspectors. Carried, with all present voting aye. Correspondence was read: A request for a nominee for the 2016 Key to the Locks Award. Thank you from Hartland Bible Church for the donation made by the employees of the Village in memory of JoAnne Swick. ISO report received. Village's classification has improved. Some residents may find their home insurance premiums have dropped due to this; no one's will increase because of this. Old business: Letter to be sent to National Grid verifying that the Village would like a quote regarding a buyout price for street lights. Universalist Church sale is nearly complete. Mayor Westcott was approached by the new owner regarding the purchase of the Village's empty lot at 31 Main Street, as he would like to turn it into private parking. He is also interested in purchasing the Village's portion of the public parking lot on Main Street that abuts this lot. The new owner anticipates 4-6 conferences per year at the church building that will require additional parking. Discussed this and determined that the Village may develop the lot to increase public parking and may also stripe the public lot (with Fire Dept. approval) to create more parking spots. Mayor Westcott advised that all of the trailers have been removed from the trailer park on Sherman Road and property

has been sold to FMC. They may still go through with developing the property following the required clean up. The Village should have some say in what happens to the property. Mr. Bobbitt was contacted by Tim Walck, from Wendel, asking for a meeting to finish the required report for the DEC regarding the SPDES permit. Meeting on January 25, 2016, at 1 pm, including Mr. Bobbitt, Gary Purser, Mayor Westcott and Trustee McAvoy. New business: Clerk Schweigert informed the Board that the water billing program the village uses is upgrading to allow credit card payments in the office and online. Information regarding PayGov was distributed to all of the Board members. Clerk Schweigert was advised to pursue this action and to forward any resulting contract to Mr. Seaman for review and counsel. Chief Swick asked the Board to consider hiring village resident Brent Russell sometime in the near future as a part-time police officer. He is currently attending the academy and will graduate in the spring. Two of our current part-time officers are actively pursuing full-time employment elsewhere, and Chief would like to be prepared if one or both are gone by summer. He has already been contact for a background check from the Leroy Police Department on one of the officers. Board will consider and discuss at a future meeting. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. due to the Presidents Day Holiday. The Village Hall will be closed Monday, February 15, 2016, for this holiday. There being no other business, a motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Trustee Hinkson, to adjourn. Carried, with all present voting aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Rebecca A. Schweigert Clerk-Treasurer