

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, October 21, 2019, in the Village Hall. Mayor Westcott opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Deputy Mayor Conley, Trustee McAvoy, Coordinator Bobbitt, Police Chief Swick, Clerk-Treasurer Schweigert, and Brian Seaman, attorney. Trustee Blumrick was absent. WWTP Operator Gary Purser led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Village Historian Christa Lutz, Fire Chief Jim Volkosh, Village employees Gary Purser and Doug Eggert and their families along with other members of the community were in attendance, as well.

Mrs. Lutz gave a presentation to the Board regarding starting a "Hometown Heroes" project in the Village. This program will allow family members to purchase banners to commemorate active or former members of the military who reside or once resided in the Village. There is no cost to the Village. Village Coordinator Bobbitt has already agreed to have his department hang the banners. Clerk Schweigert contacted the bank, who recommends a separate bank account for this. She also contacted National Grid for permission to hang banners on any pole that the Village doesn't already have permission to use. National Grid has already sent the necessary paperwork to grant permission. Purchases may be made between November 1 and December 31, 2019. Order will be placed in January 2020 for delivery late February early March. Hope to have the banners up the month before Memorial Day. They will hang until Veterans Day, and then be taken down for the winter. The family may take the banner at this time or it may stay in the Village's custody to be re-hung in the spring. If there is a great response to this project, banners will be cycled. Discussed.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to approve the Hometown Heroes Project as described by the Village Historian, Christa Lutz. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Conley, and seconded by Trustee McAvoy, to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2019, meeting. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to authorize the 2nd short-term financing repayment of \$37,500 by the Sewer Fund for the WWTP Upgrade Project, due no later than October 23, 2019. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Conley, and seconded by Trustee McAvoy, to approve payment of claims submitted on Abstract 5-19/20 in the amount of: General - \$83,826.14; Water - \$15,197.71; Sewer - \$45,839.67; Capital Improvement: \$21,643.35; for a total of \$166,506.87. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to approve payrolls no. 8, 9 and 10 for weeks ending September 14, September 28, 2019, and October 12, 2019. Carried, with all present voting aye.

The Treasurer's report was submitted and accepted for September 2019. Trustee Blumrick was assigned to review the Village's 2019 annual treasurer's report as submitted to the NYS Comptroller's Office.

Deputy Village Clerk-Treasurer Lisa VanBuren submitted a report regarding her NYCOM fall training. The Board approved this report.

The Public Works report was submitted and accepted for September 2019.

The Village and Town Police reports were submitted and accepted for September 2019, with Chief Swick reading the highlights.

The fire report was submitted and accepted for September 2019.

The paper will be notified that overnight parking ban will be enforced from Sunday, November 3, 2019, through Sunday, April 5, 2020.

Correspondence:

- NYS Canal Commission asked for a waiver of their water/sewer bill penalty. Denied.
- The Village was notified by the NYS DOT that the lift bridge will no longer be used by R permit vehicles due to safety concerns.
- Received a notice from the Town of Hartland that they will be holding a public hearing on Nov. 7, 2019, regarding their fire contracts.
- Received information from Reimagining the NY Canals
- Deputy Mayor Conley received a letter from a Village resident who was concerned about some unsightly properties in the Village. Will be referred to the Code officer.

Tree lighting is all set for December 7, 2019. Santa & Mrs. Claus are lined up, trees have been ordered, Royalton Hartland Community Library is prepared to host the event, and the Friends of the Library will be handling the reception details. Public will be notified that trees will be available for adoption.

Mr. Bobbitt asked for permission to begin ordering the new radio meter readers so that we can have the first batch in place by the February 2020 billing cycle.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to authorize the purchase of 100 radio reader heads at a cost of \$18,500 plus an additional \$1,200 to upgrade the current reading software. Carried, with all present voting aye.

At this time Mayor Westcott acknowledged 4 employees who have been employed by the Village for many years. Certificates of appreciation were given to

- Gary Purser for 40 years at the Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Doug Eggert for nearly 32 years (February 2020) in the Public Works Department

- Rebecca Schweigert for 20 years as Clerk-Treasurer
- Shelly Stoddard for 20 years as first the crossing guard and now the cleaner

The Board congratulated them for their dedication and service to their community.

There being no other business, a motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to adjourn. Carried, with all present voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Schweigert
Clerk-Treasurer