

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, July 18, 2022, in the Village Hall. Mayor Westcott opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. Also present were Deputy Mayor Conley, Trustee Blumrick, Trustee McAvoy, Trustee Barr, Coordinator Bobbitt, Police Chief Swick, Clerk-Treasurer VanBuren, and Tom Seaman, attorney.

Trustee Barr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were a few residents in attendance, as well.

A motion was made by Trustee Blumrick, and seconded by Trustee McAvoy, to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2022, meeting. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Trustee Blumrick, to approve payment of claims submitted on Abstract No. 2-22/23 in the amount of General: \$113,914.00; Water: \$35,195.36; and Sewer: \$11,773.73; for a Total of \$160,883.09. This figure also includes Payroll No. 2 and 3. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Conley, and seconded by Trustee Barr, to approve payrolls no. 2 and 3 for periods ending June 18, 2022, and July 2, 2022. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Trustee Blumrick, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to authorize Mayor Westcott to execute the Canal Dock Improvement Grant Contract No. C1002024 with the NYS Department of State. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Trustee Blumrick, to authorize Wendel Engineering to submit the revised Capacity Management, Operation, and Maintenance (CMOM) Document along with a letter responding to the DEC Comments from the first CMOM Plan submitted to the NYS DEC with regards to the WWTP. Carried, with all present voting aye.

The Treasurer's report and General Fund Cash Flow Forecast were submitted and accepted for June 2022.

The Public Works report was submitted and accepted for June 2022.

The Village and Town Police reports were submitted and accepted for June 2022.

The fire report was submitted and accepted for June 2022 with 1st Assistant Chief Richard Ruppel reading the monthly and year-to-date calls they have responded to.

Correspondence

Clerk VanBuren informed the Board that the Village had received an Invoice Transmittal Letter from NYPA for the Design and Management fees the Village incurred prior to withdrawing from the Master Cost Recovery Agreement. Attorney Seaman would like to review the contract prior to Board approval.

The Board was presented with the proposal from NYS TextMyGov for the addition of a text line.

The Board was given information about an upcoming webinar that ChargePoint will be hosting on EV Charging and the grant opportunities available.

There was discussion about the wildlife within the Village limits and the residents concerns with the Norco property.

Old Business

Trustee Barr informed the Board about National Night Out. The MATABC will be hosting the event on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, from 6 pm to 8 pm. There is plenty of activities for the whole family and it is all FREE.

Chief Swick introduced Jill Heck, Interim Royalton Hartland Superintendent of Schools, and Carol Blumrick, President of the Royalton Hartland School Board. They wanted to express the school's desire to have the contract for the SRO (School Resource Officer) position completed by the school board's next meeting which is Wednesday, August 3, 2022. Attorney Seaman is confident that a contract should be reached by that date between both legal parties which will allow the school board to take action at their next meeting. Chief Swick assured the Board that he would not be adding another full-time officer to cover the shifts the

police officer assigned to the SRO position vacated. He would need to hire two more part-time police officers though.

The Board was given the Niagara County Water and Village Usage Comparison Report to review. Clerk VanBuren expressed her concern between the amount of water the Niagara County Water District is billing the Village versus the water usage being billed. Coordinator Bobbitt said that they still have to fix the leak on Church Street which will hopefully be done by the end of the month.

New Business

A property owner requested that the water be shut off at his property because the tenant has not paid the bill in several months. The Board discussed this with the attorney, and the attorney advised the Board that the owner should get legal representation to begin the eviction process rather than the Village shut off the water on a tenant.

Clerk VanBuren asked the Board if she could attend NYCOM Fall Training in September.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to authorize Clerk VanBuren to attend NYCOM Fall Training on Monday, September 12, thru Thursday, September 15, 2022. Carried, with all present voting aye.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of consultation with the Village's Attorney. Carried, with all present voting aye.

Executive Session opened at 8:05 pm.

A motion was made by Trustee McAvoy, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Conley, to return to General Session. Carried, with all present voting aye.

General Session reconvened at 8:25 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, August 15, 2022, at 7 pm.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. VanBuren
Clerk-Treasurer