# REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES- July 19, 2016-6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: RICK NELSON, MAYOR, TRUSTEE JUDY WOOD-SHAW, TRUSTEE TIMOTHY CAMPBELL, TRUSTEE EUNICE MARSHALL, TRUSTEE FRANK TATUM

**CLERK/TREASURER: SHERISTIN TEDESCO - ABSENT** 

**DEPUTY CLERK/TREASURER: ANNE MARIE DAME HALLUM** 

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS: MATT RIFENBURGH

ATTORNEY: JAMES PELUSO - ABSENT FIRE CHIEF: JEFF MAHAR - ABSENT

**BUILDING CODE OFFICER: STEPHEN STREETER** 

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Public Attendance – 3

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Letter received All Saints on the Hudson Parish regarding the dedication for Fr. Joe Ministry Center, 52 William Street on October 21, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Letter received from John Hampshire requesting that he be exempt from paying sewer charges on 16,000 gallons to fill a pool (Letter on file)

**MOTION** to approve the exemption from paying sewer charges on 16000 gallons on next water billing for 16 Clinton Court made by Timothy Campbell second by Eunice Marshall Motion carried 4-0

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF: ABSENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT: JERI MEHAN, SECOND ASSISTANT CHIEF

There were 2 alarms and 5 drills for the month. There were two parades attended, HVVFA and Ballston Spa. Chief Mehan requested that Stacie Houle be added as a social member. (Report on file).

**MOTION** to accept Stacie Houle as a social member made by Frank Tatum, seconded by Judy Wood- Shaw.

Motion carried 4-0.

**DPW –** Matt R. reported he installed three water meters at Doyle Properties. ZERO turn mower working out well. He thanked the board. He got the new Skid Steer today. There will be a paving project coming up on Russell Drive Riverside soon. Mowing is going on around the Village.

**BUILDING CODE OFFICER-** There was 5 Building Permits issued during the month. Stephen reported he discussed the process of water meter install with Doyle for the future. Stephen is researching information with regards to a letter from a resident on Ferry Lane regarding high grass, rats, and someone living in a camper trailer. (Report on file)

**ENGINEERING** – Ed Hernandez - Reported on the Lead tests which are looking better and that Public Notice still need to be given. It is improving with the new chemical and he feels the tests will come back in compliance the next time around. He would like to work with Jim on the letter that is going to go out to residents of the Village. He reported on water and sewer operation. He is preparing Grant Applications for the Restore NY program for 617 Hudson Avenue and also for Bridge NY program (Park Avenue). (Report on file)

DAVE MEAGER, ADIRONDACK TRUST INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE - Gave a presentation on our insurance renewal and recommended that we change our deductible to \$2500 in lieu of \$1000. (Copy of insurance coverages on file). Also, it was discussed having a meeting with Timothy Campbell, Matt R. and the Clerk to discuss updating the inventory list.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Trustee Campbell – presented a proposal for a new pickup truck on state contract piggy back. Skid Steer is here. Will be setting up training with the DPW.

Trustee Marshall – Nothing to report.

Trustee Tatum – Wanted to commend Sher and Larry for a fine job done on registering vacant buildings. Village of Stillwater was the first ones on the list to make the reporting.

Trustee Wood-Shaw – July Emergency Management meeting was cancelled. She inquired with the Town and Police to see if we had a diving team, because residents were inquiring. We were

advised that it is a costly expense and that Waterford and the Sheriff's office both have a diving team for the area.

Report that she did her year-end party with Senior Time. They went on a boat ride on the Mohawk River and had lunch. Everyone had a wonderful time. Senior Time will reconvene on September 30, 2016.

## VILLAGE ATTORNEY - James Peluso - Absent

### TREASURER REPORT - Anne Marie Dame-Hallum

Voucher Totals by Account

## 2017 July Voucher Totals

"A" General Fund	\$ 120,666.65
"F" Water Fund	\$ 58,028.98
"G" Sewer Fund	\$ 6,661.98
TOTAL	\$ 185.357.61

Treasurer's Report – copy provided to all board members

Up to date Revenue and Expense Control Reports have been provided to all board members.

**MOTION** to accept the budget adjustment as follows, made by Trustee Tatum, seconded by Trustee Marshall

Increase A.3410.200 \$70,536.25, Fire Dept. Equipment, to be taken from A.0845, Reserve for Inventory Fire Truck, to pay for new air packs for the Fire Dept. as previously approved by the Village Board on 5/17/16.

Increase A.3620.400 Code Enforcement Contractual by \$3000.00 to pay for schooling for new code enforcement officer.

Increase A.5130.200 DPW Equipment by \$10,000.00 to pay for balance of new truck to be purchased, with the DPW Reserve account.

Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to open the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Tatum, seconded by Trustee Marshall

Motion carried 4-0

Ernest Martin inquired about Cooks Litigation. Feels it is important to be on top of this. This is tax payer money. It has been three years in litigation and it is a lot of money.

Steve Marshall questioned if training came with Skid Steer. It shouldn't cost more money for training. Trustee Campbell said it is at no cost for initial training. It might cost more if we want more than just the initial training. If we need more training at additional cost, it will have to be brought to the board for approval.

Mr. Marshall inquired about the aquafer law being lifted. Mayor is waiting for EPA to do testing. Mr. Marshall does not understand why we are waiting for the EPA. The Mayor will be meeting with EPA soon to see where they stand with the testing. Mr. Marshall said law was instituted to protect our wells, we no longer use the wells, and he would like to lift the aquafer law now.

Ernest Martin questioned what the EPA was waiting for. Mayor explained that the EPA wanted to make sure there were no hot spots before the law was lifted.

John Basile wanted to talk about district 5 extension 1 for the Town of Stillwater. The public hearing meeting is Thursday at the Town at 7:00. John questioned the fact that Hillside is part of this new district. He gave some advice and his concerns to the board regarding the contracts involved with this new district. The estimated water cost of district 6 was approximately \$5.00 per 1000 per the public hearing he attended. This should set precedence for the Village Board to set rates. Advised the board they should make sure to review the contracts carefully in the future.

Ernest Martin commented on the taps and that the Town will do the tapping and they will get the fee. Martin's personal opinion is that the Village should get the tapping fee because we own the line.

**MOTION** to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Tatum, seconded by Trustee Marshall

Motion carried 4-0

### **OLD BUSINES - NONE**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Wood-Shaw requested that Code Enforcement take a look at Independence and Colonial Road regarding a bush that is obstructing the view when people pull out of Independence on to Colonial Road. Also that there is a truck and trailer parked in the way also. Code enforcement will check it out.

Trustee Wood-Shaw would like to set up a New Homeowner Welcome Basket for new people moving into the Village. Wanted to know how she would find out when someone new moves in. It was suggested that she use local newspapers for sale of property.

Mayor informed everyone that there is a Town Board Meeting public hearing on Thursday at 7:00 pm regarding the new water district. He asked board members to try to attend.

Mayor will be out of Town July 25<sup>th</sup> through 28<sup>th</sup> and all the next week but will be available by phone.

**MOTION** to approve the audit claims for the month made by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Marshall Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to approve the Treasurer's report made by Trustee Tatum, seconded by Trustee Marshall Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting dated 06/21/2016 made by Trustee Marshall, seconded by Trustee Campbell Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn made by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Marshall Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned 7:23 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sheristin Tedesco Clerk/Treasurer