

REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES- MAY 21, 2024-6:15 P.M. – TOWN HALL

**PRESENT: MAYOR – JUDY WOOD-ZENO, TRUSTEE DOROTHY DEMARCO, TRUSTEE PATRICK NELSON, TRUSTEE SHEILA NETT, TRUSTEE JAMES DOYLE
CLERK TREASURER – SHERISTIN TEDESCO
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS: MATT RIFENBURGH
BUILDING CODE OFFICER/ FIRE BUREAU CHIEF: LAURENCE CASE
ATTORNEY: JAMES PELUSO
FIRE CHIEF: JERI MEHAN - ABSENT
ENGINEER: ED HERNANDEZ - ABSENT**

Public Attendance - 0

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance

CORRESPONDENCE – None

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF: (Report on file) There were 5 alarms and 3 training drills and one fundraiser during the month.

DPW – (Report on file)

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER / BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICES – (Reports on file)

ENGINEERING – (Report on file)

TRUSTEE UPDATES:

Trustee Nelson reported there were 6 sessions for the EV charger for the month, generating revenue of \$6.37. The official ribbon cutting was discussed for a possible date being Family Day, prior to the festivities at Post 490. Trustee Nelson stated he would like to work on the business climate during this term of office.

Mayor Wood Zeno stated the shed has been removed from the Village Park property. Many options were discussed regarding a deck/slab for the area.

MOTION to empower Mayor Wood Zeno to prepare building permits and plans to solicit bids for the necessary infrastructure for 682 Hudson Avenue made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Nett
Motion carried 4-0

Veterans Parade will be 11/16/2024 at 5 pm in Mechanicville, a save the date was received.

Invitation was received from Leslie Morlock, Supervisor for the Battlefield, to tour the updated area adjacent to Tour Stop #2 at the Neilson Farm on 5/29/2024.

Memorial Day service at 4 pm at Post 490 with a parade to follow at 6:00 PM.

A new internet company is coming to the Village in 2025, more info to follow.

There is a new line item in the NYS Budget allows the Village to receive an extra \$736 in funding.

Interviews will begin next week for the open DPW position.

Hometown Heroes banners will no longer be replaced at the expense of the Village if they become damaged or worn.

Zoning Committee is being formed to amend our policy.

Trustee Doyle will reach out to SCSD in preparation of an acknowledgement of all our winning athletes for the last ten years.

The Newland Wood Fire Dept Auxiliary received a \$2000 grant from Global Foundries.

The Village has a closing on 662 Hudson Ave on 5/16/2024 for a new Village Hall.

MOTION to establish a \$1000.00 budget for Family Day giveaway items made by Trustee Nett, seconded by Trustee Nelson

Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Wood Zeno thanked Trustee DeMarco for the planting of all the beautiful flowers throughout the Village.

**Voucher Totals by Account
5/21/2024**

“A” General Fund	\$ 32,016.76
“F” Water Fund	\$ 811.23
“G” Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 12,181.53</u>
 TOTAL	 \$ 45,009.51

Treasurer’s Report – copy provided to all board members

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

The 2024 Annual ARPA Funds Project and Expenditure Report was submitted 4/19/2024

I am currently working on the June 1 tax bills to be mailed before June 1, 2024

MOTION to forgive 14,000 gallons, sewer portion only, of 10/1/2024 water bill for Jessica Archard Customer #70008 - 7 Yorktown Lane per email request dated 5/13/24 for filling of a pool made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to forgive 26,000 gallons, sewer portion only, of 10/1/2024 water bill for Gary Shields Customer #410359 – 1141 Hudson Avenue per email request dated 5/21/2024 for filling a pool made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the budget adjustments as presented to the Board made by Trustee Nett, seconded by Trustee DeMarco
Motion carried 4-0

Increase G.8120.403 Sanitary Sewers Electricity by \$4000.00 and G.8130.403 Sewage Treatment and Disposal Contractual by \$5000.00 to cover sewer electric costs
Increase A.1210.400 Mayor Contractual by \$750.00 to cover Mayor’s office supplies and Eagle Scout plaques
Increase A.5410.400 Sidewalks Contractual by \$4,200.00 to cover Fire Hydrant replacement from accident awaiting insurance recovery that will be added to the general fund
Increase A.1620.402 Buildings. Telephones by \$500.00 to cover telephones
Increase A.1420.400 Law Contractual by \$2000.00 to cover additional law expenses
Increase A.8989.400 Other Home and Community Services. Contractual by \$600.00 to cover the NYSDOT 2024 invoice for the SCSD Beacon lights that SCSD pays half per agreement
Increase G.8130.408 Sewage Treatment/Disposal County by \$4000.00 to cover sewer disposal fees
Increase A.1940.400 Purchase of Lands Contractual by \$175,000.00 to cover the VB approved purchase of 662 Hudson Ave using ARPA Funds
Increase G.8130.412 Sewage Treat/Disposal Chemicals by \$500.00 to cover sewer plant chemicals

MOTION to Open the Floor to the Public and Press made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Doyle
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Doyle
Motion carried 4-0

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to purchase a 15ft Norway Spruce tree from Elhannon Wholesale Nursery for Cannon Park, to include installation and one year guarantee, made by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Mayor Wood Zeno

Motion carried 4-0

Trustee Nett stated she would like to start a "Welcoming Committee" and is open to ideas of how to locate new people moving into the Village. Trustee Nelson stated she should contact the Board of Elections and maybe they can assist. She stated Jean Farnan welcomed her to the Village in 1986 and has agreed to help with the committee.

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION to accept the Employee Manual dated 4/24/24, with the change in the manor of which bereavement days may be taken made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the audit claims for the month made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee DeMarco
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the Treasurer's Report made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Doyle
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting dated 4/16/2024 made by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Nett
Motion carried 3-0
Trustee Nelson Abstained

MOTION to adjourn to executive session at 7:43 PM for legal advice and contractual issues made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0.

MOTION to exit executive session at for legal advice and contractual issues made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned 8:46 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sheristin Tedesco
Clerk/Treasurer