

THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

January 14, 2019

DATE: 1/14/19

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: The Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor John Sawers, Trustee Krossber, Trustee Mark Fargo, Trustee Chandra Gilman, Trustee Kim Payne, Clerk Joanne Burley, DPW Super. Art Rilands, Code Enforcement Officer, Tim Pagel, Reading Center Director, Dodie Baker

ATTENDANCE: Approximately 12 people attended this meeting. Sign in sheet is available in the Village office

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

RE: Salute to the Flag:

The Mayor asked everyone to rise and join in the Pledge to the Flag.

The Mayor asked if anyone would like to address the board at this time.

Ron Milton, Chairman of the Friendship House asked to address the board. He had questions regarding the Martin buildings. They are very interested in purchasing the property but have some concerns. He also asked if we would be interested in a long-term lease agreement. The Mayor told them we would get back to them in a couple of weeks.

RE: Approval of Minutes:

The Mayor asked the Trustees if they had a chance to review the board minutes from the December 10, 2018 meeting. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the December 10th minutes. Trustee Chandra Gillman made a motion to approve the December 10, 2018 minutes with the correction.

Trustee Mark Fargo made a 2nd to the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

RE: Communications, Petitions & Guests:

Emily Palumbos from MRB attended the meeting and gave the Board an update on the Sewer Project. She announced that the grants we had applied for had been approved. WIIA - \$1 million, WQIP \$523,828.00 & \$1 million and the CDBG also for \$1 million. She said some of the grant amounts can go down because of receiving other grants. Because we have gotten all of the grants, we might want to consider doing some of the work that we eliminated at the beginning of the project to keep the cost down. Donegan's office will be running the numbers so we will know exactly how much can be applied to the project.

Emily also reported that she is writing a grant for the Village for records management. We should be able to receive funds to purchase cabinets that are needed.

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RE: Reports of Committees:

RE: Public Works Supervisor –

Streets:

DPW have been working on small equipment & maintenance work. If we get any warmer weather, they will try to pick up more leaves. They have removed the Christmas lights and the banners will come down this week.

Sewer:

The contractor was off through the holidays. Cold weather is slowing them down. Art also mentioned the Grants. He would like to put some of the collection system pipe work back in the project. This would hopefully would stop some of the water infiltration into the sewer system.

Water:

Art has checked the gallons of water numbers and believes we have a leak between the water plant and the water tank. There is about 4 miles of pipe to check. They will start checking this on warmer days.

It is hard to follow the map because when the pipes were put in, they had edge rows to go by. Over the years most of the edge rows have been removed so it is tough to follow.

Cemetery:

Liddiard's is doing some tree work in the Cemetery. Some of the driveways need work. They need to be built up with crusher run so they are higher than the grass.

Art feels that if we have to bury through the winter months, that we should stone and oil a couple of the driveways. This will help stop some of the snow plow damage.

Fire:

No fire report.

RE: Reading Center Director – Dodie Baker

Dodie reported that she is starting to update the "Reading Centers" page on the Village of Rushville website.

They celebrated National Trivia Day on Jan. 4th & 5th.

Jan 18th is Winnie the Pooh Day. They will have Pooh activities and snacks.

Jan. 19th is National Popcorn Day. They will have popcorn snacks, word searches, coloring sheets, popcorn trivia.

The Library will be open Jan 21st. Martin Luther King Day. They will have a dream sheets for people to write down their dreams. Also, Jan 21st is National Handwriting Day.

February is "National Bird feeding Month." More activities to come.

Feb 18,20,22 & 23 will be the libraries "Random Acts of Kindness" week. They will be making bird feeders and would like people to share some acts of kindness to put on the "Kindness Wall."

She plans to take the Volunteers to dinner in Feb. to thank them for their service.

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RE: Code Enforcement officer: - Tim Pagel

Tim reported he had a complaint from Castle Street Apts. Regarding a sewer backup.

He is also looking into Municipal trash pick-up. This would be for the Yates County side of the Village. The Gorham side has access to the Gorham Dump at a cost of \$75 per year so it would not benefit them. We will be getting some numbers from trash vendors to see if this is something we want to do. It would save the residents money as they would not have to pay refuse companies to pick up their trash. They would pay for this service on their taxes and it would be considerably less than their current monthly bill. Approximately \$160 per year. If the house is sold, this would be adjusted by the Attorney at closing. The totes would be supplied by the company.

Tim presented the board with a quote from Marks Contractors, Inc. to insulate the roof of the Village Hall. This could be done this winter and would hopefully eliminate any leaks. This would be stage 1 of the roof project. Then in the Spring we could complete the rest of the roof.

The board would like another estimate. So, the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Re: Village Clerk: Joanne Burley

The Clerk presented the board with 4 resolutions for approval.

1. Energy Benchmark - This resolution is to adopting Energy Benchmarking Policy/Procedures. This states that the Village measure the building's energy use. This resolution will help us get NYSERTA dollars.

A motion from Trustee Holly Krossber to accept the Energy Benchmark Resolution. #1-2019 A 2nd was received from Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion was passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken.

Mayor John Sawers – Yes, Trustee Holly Krossber – Yes, Trustee Kim Payne – Yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – Yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – Yes.

2. Ontario County Multi-Jurisdiction All Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan states we have reviewed the Multi-Jurisdiction All Hazard Mitigation Plan and approve it.

A motion was made from Trustee Chandra Gilman to accept the Resolution # 2-2019. A second was received from Trustee Holly Krossber. The motion was passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken.

Mayor John Sawers – Yes, Trustee Holly Krossber – Yes, Trustee Kim Payne – Yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – Yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – Yes.

3. Resolution #3-2019 – In support for Grant Application from the Village of Rushville to the NYS Archives for Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund. This resolution authorizes Mayor John Sawers to authorize and directed to file an application with the NYS Archives for Local Records Management Improvement Fund. A motion was received from Trustee Kim Payne to accept Resolution #3-2019. A 2nd was received from Trustee Holly Krossber. The motion was passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken. Mayor John Sawers – Yes, Trustee Holly Krossber – Yes, Trustee Kim Payne – Yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – Yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – Yes.

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4. Resolution #4-2019 – Wastewater Treatment Grant Funding Authorization. This Resolution authorizes Mayor John Sawers to execute any and all necessary documents effectuating the four awarded grants. A motion was received from Trustee Holly Krossber to accept Resolution #4-2019. A 2nd was received from Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken.
Mayor John Sawers – Yes, Trustee Holly Krossber – Yes, Trustee Kim Payne – Yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – Yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – Yes.

The Clerk also presented the Library Agreement from the Town of Gorham. This agreement states that the Town of Gorham will contribute to the Mabel D. Blodgett Memorial Library of Rushville \$3,740.00 for January through December 2019. A motion was made by Trustee Holly Krossber to accept the Town of Gorham agreement. A 2nd was received by Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Clerk then presented the Agreement for Fire Protection Service between the Town of Gorham and the Village of Rushville. This agreement runs from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. The Town of Gorham will pay to the Village \$31,140.00 for services. A motion was made by Trustee Kim Payne to accept the Agreement for Fire Protection Services from the Town of Gorham. A 2nd was received from Trustee Holly Krossber. The motion was unanimously passed.

RE: Old Business:

Town of Middlesex: The Mayor told the board there was no further contact with the Town. They had requested a meeting with a mediator present. We would like to meet with them, but saw no reason for a mediator. We are hoping to meet with them before the next meeting.

Marcus Whitman: We have reached an agreement with school. They will be presenting it to the board at their next meeting. Trustee Chandra Gilman had some concerns about our responsibility of the Hydrants at the Valley school. Art mentioned that it has always been a shared expense between the school and the Village. A motion was received from Trustee Kim Payne to accept the Intermunicipal Agreement from the Gorham-Middlesex School District for water & sewer. A 2nd was received from Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion passed unanimously.

RE: New Business:

Trustee Chandra Gilman just wanted to mention that maybe we should consider putting information regarding NIXLE in the newsletter for people to sign up. It is a great free service informing people of the alert/warnings in the County. The Clerk will look into this.

Re Bills:

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize payment of the General Bills in the amount of \$16,506.40 noting \$2403.35 had

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already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kim Payne and a seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize payment of the Capital Project Bills in the amount of \$21,557.44. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Holly Krossber to authorize payment of the Cemetery Bills in the amount of \$24.89. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and seconded by Trustee Kim Payne to authorize payment of the Water bills in the amount of \$10,833.81, noting \$899.89 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Holly Krossber and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$892.12, noting \$899.89 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Kim Payne and a 2nd from Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Burley, Clerk/Treasurer

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