

# THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

## November 18, 2019

DATE: 11/18/19

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: The Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor John Sawers, Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber, Trustee Mark Fargo, Trustee Chandra Gilman, Clerk Joanne Burley, DPW Art Rilands, Code Enforcement Tim Pagel.

Absent: Trustee Kim Payne

ATTENDANCE: Approximately 6 people attended this meeting. Sign in sheet is available in the Village office

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**RE: Salute to the Flag:**

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

**RE: Approval of Minutes:**

The Mayor asked the Trustees if they had a chance to review the board minutes from the October 21, 2019 meeting. The Mayor asked if there were any changes to the minutes. There were a couple of corrections. Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to approve the October 21, 2019 minutes with corrections. Trustee Chandra Gilman made a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

**RE: Communications, Petitions & Guests:**

The Mayor acknowledged John Chrisman from the Chronicle Express.

**RE: Clerk**

Joanne Burley, Clerk announced to the board that Kim Payne's Trustee's seat had been vacated as of November 6, 2019.

**RE: Reports of Committees:**

**RE: Public Works Supervisor**

**Water:** Art reported that there is not much of a water leak between the water plant and the tank as he had suspected. It looks like it's used for process water even when the plant is not in use. Process water comes from the water main at the plant so it looks like lost water.

**Sewer:** The contractors are progressing. The second bed should be in service sometime the middle of December. It looks like it will take approximately 1 hours longer per day to operate the plant.

Art said they have an old Generator that ran the sewer lift station, it won't be used anymore. We should probably sell it. He figures it should bring \$4,000 to \$5,000. Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to sell the old generator. A second was received by Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion passed unanimously.

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### **Cemetery:**

Art said they are done mowing for the year. The scouts removed the Veterans flags. Elvin has been filling some of the low spots in the Cemetery if anyone notices bare spots.

**RE: Streets:** Banners and flags were taken down and the Xmas banners will be put up this week along with the Xmas lights. Art expects this Friday will be the last date for leaf pickup.

**RE: Fire Report:** Paul Moberg reported they have 1 new member and 1 application they expect this week. They will be transporting Santa for Christmastime in Rushville.

Paul reported they have put an offer in on the Rescue Truck for \$90,000. They are waiting to hear back if the offer is accepted.

### **RE: Reading Center Director – Dodie Baker**

Dodie reported they served 175 kids on Halloween. Fun was had by all.

She announced they are almost ready for “Christmastime in Rushville” There will be a final meeting at 7 pm on 11/20. Raffle tickets will be sold from now through the event on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>.

They are \$5.00 each.

There will be “A Christmas Tea” held at the Congregational church on Sat., Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. Sign- up at the library if interested.

Update on the Library Charter: Gorham Library board voted to begin the paperwork on reversing the service area of the Gorham Library back to the original area. The NYS Board of Regents will meet in the spring of 2020.

Dodie asked the board if there was any money available to put up a storage shed in the back parking lot of the library. They are in need of more storage. The board will consider this request.

### **RE: Code Enforcement officer: - Tim Pagel**

Tim continues to work with Wells Fargo Bank on 4 Bryant Square. They now have the property on a routine maintenance schedule.

He is also working with Fifth Third Bank regarding status of 8 Green St. and maintenance required.

He also said he will be doing onsite inspections on 9 Chapel St. due to continued violations.

### **RE: Clerk:**

The Clerk reminded the board and the public that elections will be coming up in March. Petitions will be available the end of December. We have some openings to fill so spread the word.

Clerk Joanne Burley presented the board with the taxes to be relieved. The amount to be relieved for Yates County is \$37,277.23 and for Ontario County is \$2,205.46. A motion was made by Trustee Holly Krossber to accept the amount to be relieved for both counties. A second was received by Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk Joanne Burley presented the quote received from Constellation for our energy supplier. They had quoted a fixed rate of .04370 on a 1 year contract, .04553 on a 2 year contract and .04650 on a 3 year contract. Trustee Mark Fargo commented that he would be in favor of the 3 year contract because the rates could go way up in 1 year. This would keep us at a lower rate for at least 3 years. We are presently paying .06014. Joanne went through the Mega Public Bid

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umbrella. A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo to go with the 3 year term at .04650. a second was received by Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion passed unanimously. MRB has submitted 2 change orders. One is for T & M work. and the other one is for changing the contract date. The Clerk asked Art to comment and he explained what the change orders meant. A motion was made by Holly Krossber to accept the change order for the T & M. A second was received from Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion was passed unanimously. A motion was made to accept the time changes to the project by Trustee Chandra Gilman. A second was received by Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Town of Middlesex:**

Our attorney is preparing a Notice of Claim for the Town of Middlesex. They will have 90 days to respond to this claim. If they do not respond, court proceedings will start.

#### **Martin Buildings:**

The Village has been asked if we want to refund the \$1,000 deposit made on the purchase offer of the Martin buildings. Trustee Holly Krossber said that we spent \$1,100 on more abstracts as they were requested by the buyer so we should not refund the deposit. A motion was made to keep the deposit for the Martin Buildings purchase. A second was received by Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Sewer Project:** Requisitions for payment

There is a disbursement request for J&E Electric for \$8,816. A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman to pay the request for J & E Electric. A second was received by Trustee Holly Krossber. The motion was passed unanimously.

### **Re Bills:**

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Mark Fargo to authorize payment of the General Bills in the amount of \$27,360.65. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and a seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize payment of the Capital Project Bills in the amount of \$25,170.21. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and seconded by Trustee Holly Krossber to authorize payment of the Cemetery Bills in the amount of \$453.78. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Holly Krossber to authorize payment of the Water bills in the amount of \$11,932.17. The motion was unanimously carried.

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A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$9,252.78. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Holly Krossber a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanne Burley, Clerk/Treasurer

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