

THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

June 8, 2020

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DATE: 6/8/20

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: The Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor John Sawers, Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber, Trustee Mark Fargo, Trustee Chandra Gilman, Trustee Doug Rigby, Clerk Joanne Burley, DPW Art Rilands, Reading Center Director Dodie Baker Code Officer Tim Pagel, Fire Chief Paul Moberg, Mike Pierre, and Terry Button

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 May 11, 2020 meeting. The Mayor asked if there were any changes to the minutes. Trustee Holly Krossber made a couple of corrections to the minutes. Trustee Holly Krossber made a motion to approve the May 11, 2020 minutes with the corrections. Trustee Mark Fargo made a 2nd to the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

RE: Communications, Petitions & Guests:

Terry Button, Yates County Legislature brought us up to date on what is going on in Yates County. He told us that the Yates County offices are beginning to open by appointment only on Friday.

RE: Reports of Committees:

RE: Public Works Supervisor

Sewer:

Art reported that the WWTP project is almost completed. There is still a small punch list to be completed. The new pump has come for pump station #2 just waiting for contractor to get it installed.

The collection system work should start in a couple of weeks.

We will be cleaning up and seeding around pump station #1 instead of the contractor. They will decrease our cost \$1,000.

Water:

There is a problem with one of the water filters. Art has reached out to a couple of companies to try to find out the problem.

The school water project is coming along, maybe in a couple of weeks the village and school system will be able to communicate. Both parties should benefit.

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CEMETERY:

Art found that the price for the UTV was higher than what he had budgeted for. He had budgeted \$6,000 and the price came in at \$7,300. After some discussion Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to pay the extra \$1,300 to purchase the UTV. A second was received from Trustee Doug Rigby. The motion passed unanimously. Elvin is starting to catch up on the mowing.

RE: Streets

Flags and banners are up. Art would like to put in the newsletter that people must stop blowing the grass in the road when they mow. This is a state regulation.

Re: Park & Trail:

Art informed the board they had cleaned up a huge tree that fell across the trail. He asked if we wanted to open the Park. The Mayor said we should wait for Phase 3 to reopen and then take the signs down.

RE: Fire Report:

Paul reported that the grant they are applying for is in the works. The grant is for \$100,000. This will allow them to replace the gear for all the firefighters.

They hope to start training next week and resume their regular meetings. They haven't had many calls during the pandemic.

The Fire Truck has not sold as of yet. They are considering taking it to auction, but they won't get what it is worth. Trustee Chandra Gilman asked if you could put a reserve on it. Paul stated that whether it sells or not most auctions make you pay the commission. They had a possible buyer in Long Island, but he has not heard from them since the shut down started. He has tried to call but has gotten no response.

Paul said they have not decided if they are going to have the raffle or not. They will be having a meeting tomorrow night to make that decision.

They would like the board to consider putting an extension on the Firehouse by adding another bay. This would allow for some storage which they don't have now.

RE: Reading Center Director – Dodie Baker

Dodie said plans are to open the library on Monday, June 29th with regular hours. Opening will be curbside pickup for about 2 weeks. When they are given the go ahead the inside will be opened with limitations. Possibly the 2nd week in July. Only 2 patrons at a time. She will make fliers to post around the Village.

Dodie is going to wait to see what happens before she decides what she is going to do for her volunteers.

The Summer Program will look a lot different than it has in the past. She is thinking packets that can be picked up at the door.

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RE: Code Enforcement officer: - Tim Pagel

Tim reported he is still working with the developer from Tennessee regarding the Dollar Store type business. He has not submitted any paperwork as of yet. He must declare a hardship. Trustee Holly Krossber asked what the hardship was. Tim said apparently there is a problem with the property and it can not be used for residential use. Because of the contamination on the property a residential house cannot be built there, but a business could locate there.

Old Business:

Martin Buildings:

The Mayor asked the Clerk to bring everyone up to date on the Martin Buildings. Clerk Joanne Burley said as of Friday we had received proof of funds, proof of insurance and a signed pre – closing occupancy agreement so Jim Liebel was able to start moving his equipment into the building. We will proceed with the zoning amendment and once that is completed, we can close on the property.

Re Bills:

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Holly Krossber to authorize payment of the General Bills in the amount of \$9,420.65. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Mark Fargo to authorize payment of the Cemetery bills in the amount of \$724.96. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Holly Krossber and a seconded by Trustee Doug Rigby to authorize payment of the Water bills in the amount of \$2,511.09. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Holly Krossber and seconded by Trustee Mark Fargo to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$8,645.91. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize the payment of the Capital Project bills in the amount of \$12,693.35. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Doug Rigby a 2nd was received from Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Burley, Clerk/Treasurer