

Village of Parish
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday December 20, 2017

Mayor Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present – Mayor Perkins, Trustee Zender, Trustee Murphy, Trustee Houghton and Trustee Cusson-LaRue and Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Village Clerk.

Also Present: Tom Bullard, Camden Group; Ken Scherrieble, Camden Group; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Circuit Rider (7:50), Ike Cook; Blue Line, Bob Guminiak & Ian Yerdon of the Guminiak Firm; Mike Butcavage, Town Resident.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Zender motioned to accept the November 15, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy with the exception of adding Trustee Cusson-LaRue's name to those present. Roll taken... carried.

Communications:

Mayor Perkins read the letter stating the tax cap would be 2% in 2018.

Mayor Perkins also gave the literature for the workshops of a winter webinar series.

Presentations/Discussions: Ike Cook from Blueline Engineering said we didn't get the grant the Village had applied for. Another series of grants will be announced in the Spring and applications will be due in July and the winners will be announced in December. He said we don't owe any more money and he will look into other grants for us.

Bob Guminiak spoke about the Village going ahead with the water issue by themselves. He said we already sent out the income survey; it is at \$45,000. He said the EFC and Rural Development can help. Ian Yerdon is the engineer for Guminiak.

Trustee Cusson-Larue motioned and Trustee Zender seconded to have Mr. Yerdon submit our income survey for validity.

Mexico will be voting in March for District #5 to get water. Mike Butcavage asked about using water towers. He said the mobile parks get more points towards a hardship grant. Mike said he spoke out and acted like he did at the Joint Town & Village Board meeting to show Doug Miller's (in charge of the water committee) true colors.

REPORTS

Legislator: Dave Holst was not present.

Sewer Plant: Ken went over the written report of the Camden Group. We failed the submitted report this month because of too much rain. The Siewert Company did the new pumps on Edgewood Drive and did a great job. Tom Bullard will call National Grid to do a spreadsheet as we have 30% of power outages. He said the grease control is working very well. Tom Flett is plowing at the WWTP. Trustee Houghton said they could use the snow blower. The roof is leaking by the door. Tom said the wipes are not getting in the grease now and are getting shredded and thus the fibers are all over. They will check the drying beds in the Spring. They will dry two beds now. Trustee Zender motioned to accept the Camden Group report, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken... carried.

Building Inspector/CEO- No report.

Tug Hill-

- The Tug Hill Commission continues preparation for the March 2018 Local Government Conference. The conference mailer has been sent to the printers and should be going out to local officials at the end of 2017 or early Spring 2018.
- All news items have been submitted for the 2017 annual report from the Tug Hill Commissions, **Headwaters**. **Headwaters** should be out in the first quarter of 2018.
- The County Hazard Mitigation update process continues, which included the communities in the southeast part of the County. The next meeting for the central group, which includes Parish and Amboy is planned for Monday, February 5, 2018 in Amboy and the County Emergency Management Office is willing to meet with individual

communities to assist them with their local updates. Paul said the Village has a meeting scheduled for Thursday January 11, 2018.

- Plans are currently underway for the next meeting of the Salmon Rivers Council of Governments. Plans for a meeting in December turned out to be unfeasible based on the availability of members to constitute a quorum for the meeting. They are now looking at January dates. The meeting is planned to be a joint meeting with the North Shore Council of Governments toward moving things forward on an associate circuit rider for the two COGs.
- Paul said at their December 11, 2017 meeting, Tug Hill Commission set its meeting schedule for 2018 and the January meeting is scheduled for Monday January 22 at 10 AM in West Monroe. There will be more details as we get closer to the meeting..

Trustee Zender asked for the Village meeting minutes to be put on the Village's website and Paul said he would help Evelyn with this. Paul will get a copy of the intermunicipal agreement and will update the Village Website.

Trustee Murphy motioned to accept the December 2017 Tug Hill report, which was seconded by Trustee Houghton. Roll taken... carried.

GRIEVANCES AND CONCERNS-None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chamber of Commerce: Trustee Cusson-LaRue said when things calm down after the Holidays she will meet with the Mexico Chamber of Commerce.

Water Committee: Things were discussed earlier with Mr. Guminiak.

Bank: Attorney Ventre and Attorney Genant will be meeting.

WWTP: Trustee Houghton did some tarring of the roof, but serious work needs to be done on it in the Spring.

Frog Letters: The Mayor said the FROG letters were sent out.

Basement Assessment: Doug Miller looked over the Gym's basement and will be sending us the specs.

Land Bank: The purple house on East Main St. was demolished and everything cleaned up.

NEW BUSINESS

Planning Board: Planning Board Chairman Scriber will be at next month's Village meeting and let us know what the Planning Board has done and about the new Zoning Law.

Village Election: The two trustee seats of Houghton and Murphy are up for the March 20, 2018 Village Election. People wanting to run for these openings can start getting signatures on January 2, 2018.

The Board adopted a resolution to not have a voter registration day for 2018. Trustee Houghton motioned to not have a 2018 voter registration day, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken... carried.

The Board adopted a resolution to have the Village Election on Tuesday March 20 noon to 9pm for 2018. Trustee Murphy motioned to adopt the resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Houghton. Roll taken... carried.

CEO: The Mayor said there is a discussion within the Town as whether or not to keep the current CEO. Trustee Zender said they should keep him and Trustees Cusson-LaRue and Murphy agreed. Mayor Perkins and Trustee Houghton said no. The Mayor will let the Supervisor know of the Village's response.

Abandoned Properties: The Mayor gave out literature on abandoned properties in the Village and will have Attorney Ventre go over it.

ZBA Appointment: Mayor Perkins made a motion to appoint Tina Decker for the vacant ZBA opening which was seconded by Trustee Houghton. All in favor, motion carried.

Other: Trustee Houghton said he restarted the furnace when we ran out of fuel.

Trustee Cusson-LaRue said there is some kind of ivy growing on the Village Christmas tree which needs to be taken care of.

Other: DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 11, 2018-Mitigation workshop @ 6:30 pm in Parish.

January 17, 2018-Monthly Board meeting @ 7:00 pm.

February 5, 2018-Mitigation workshop @ 6:30 pm in Amboy.

March 8, 2018-Joint Board meeting @ 7:00 pm.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

- Trustee Houghton motioned to pay General fund vouchers numbers 98-118 in the amount of \$11,688.06. Trustee Cusson-LaRue seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
- Trustee Houghton motioned to pay Sewer fund vouchers numbers 67-82 in the amount of \$20,552.14. Trustee Cusson-LaRue seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
- Trustee Houghton motioned to pay Sewer Debt Service Reserve voucher number 3 in the amount of \$3,192. Trustee Cusson-LaRue seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
- Trustee Houghton motioned to pay the T & A fund vouchers numbers 70-76 in the amount of \$1,710.15. Trustee Cusson-LaRue seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
- Trustee Zender motioned to pay the voucher from the Salmon River Joint Activity Account in the amount of \$253.37. Trustee Cusson-LaRue seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Murphy motioned to adjourn at 9:28 pm, which was seconded by Trustee Houghton, all in favor, motion, carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Parish Village Clerk