Village of Parish, Regular Board Meeting

Parish Village Gym

Wednesday November 17, 2021

Mayor Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was in the Village Gym.

Roll Call: Present – Mayor Perkins, Trustee Chatterton, Trustee Murphy; Trustee Louer; Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Village Clerk

Also Present: Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Circuit Rider; Steve Ganetis, Village Attorney; Ken Scherrieble Camden Group; Rod Perkins, resident.

Via Zoom: Trustee Welytok

Approval of Minutes: Mayor Perkins said she had one correction on the minutes being that the Board did not vote to sell an easement to Mr. Miller, only to provide him with one. With that noted, Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the October 21, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken...carried.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the October 20, 2021 Public Hearing minutes on the WWTP Bond issue, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken...carried.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the October 20, 2021 Public Hearing minutes on the Cannabis Law, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken...carried.

COMMUNICATION: Mayor Perkins said the Christmas decorations are up and thanked Trustee Chatterton for helping and getting a crew to get the job done. Trustee Chatterton told the Board where he plans to hang the banners when they come in.

Mayor Perkins said the Clerk forwarded a letter from New York Code enforcement to the Board for them to go over.

Legislator's Report: None.

Sewer Report: Ken & Tom went over the Camden Report. Ken said the system has moved from the south tank to the north tank. He said we failed everything we could possibly fail for the SPDES report, which is good for us. We need the negativity to get grants and help. He said our average flow is 60,000 gals. And one day we peaked at 414,000. Ken said that Koester would be out on Friday to start work on the sweeper arm. They said they will put a new bearing on the bottom of the arm. Ken said once they pull the old arm they will know if more work needs to be done. They might have to install a whole new arm if the old one is in bad shape. We had 2 power outages thus the 2 extra call-outs. Trustee Chatterton asked if they ever found a problem witht th sewer on Rider St. as Trustee Welytok said there was a strong odor coming from there, but Ken said they found no problem.

Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the Camden Report, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken...carried.

CEO Report: Jim gave the Board his report and went over it. Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the CEO's report, which was seconded by Trustee Louer. Roll taken...carried.

Tug Hill Report: Tug Hill: - Paul went over his report.

- **Paul said barring unforeseen circumstances Tug Hill will be holding their 2022 Local Government Conference on April 19 at Turning Stone.
- **Paul said the Tug Hill Commission has added a page to their website about Broadband: <u>https://tughill.org/broadband</u>
- **Paul said there's a new consideration to keep in mind for municipalities considering an opt-out by year's end for adult use cannabis. There's a web page on the State web site for the Office of cannabis management : https://cannabis.ny/gov. A municipality that opts out via local law by the end of the year must fill out a short municipal opt-out form. There is a local excise tax imposed on the sale of cannabis products from a retail dispensary to a cannabis consumer at 4% of the products prices.
- **Paul said he assisted the Mayor in resetting settings on her computer which were impeding her ability to open PDF attchements in e-mail.

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

PRESENTATIONS: None. GRIEVANCES/CONCERNS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Key Bank:** Contractor LaRock said he will get the bid to us soon as he is finishing outside jobs before the bad weather comes.
- **AUDIT:** We have advertised with no results. The Clerk said the Town Clerk gave her 2 names of companies that we could call.
- **NYMIR:** Trustee Murphy said she contacted Price Connections and they explained to her what they would do for the price they were charging so Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the Price bid, which was seconded by Trustee Louer. Roll taken...carried.
- **Welcome Signs:** Mayor Perkins asked Trustee Murphy to have Kathy Allardice from CARPP list what materials she needs to redo the sign in Canfield Park and the Village will get them. Trustee Louer said his daughter and some friends will repaint the "Welcome to Parish" wooden signs for school community service in the Spring.
- **Cannabis Law:** Trustee Chatterton made a motion seconded by Trustee Murphy to opt out of the Cannabis Law. If we opt out, we can always come back in at a later date. Trustee Chatterton -abstain, Trustee Murphy-no, Trustee Welytok-no, Trustee Louer-no, Mayor Perkins-yes. The motion did not pass for the Village to opt out.
- **Bangall Road Property:** Mr. Genant will do all the documentation to grant Mr. Miller an easement from the Village to his Bangall Road property. Mr. Miller will pay all fees. Attorney Genant will contact Attorney Ganetis when it is done.
- **Banners:** Trustee Chatterton said the banners should be coming in this week or next week. He plans to get Spring ones. He said the cost for the banners is around \$100 apiece and the brackets are \$85 a piece.

Other: USDA: Treasurer Dwyer sent a letter to USDA justifying why we do not want to spend all of our savings on the WWTP project. Ken gave a quote of \$5780 for the sweeper arm project.

Executive Session: Not needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **NYSERTA:** Trustee Murphy made a motion for a Bench Marking Resolution (tracking energy usage), which Trustee Chatterton seconded. Roll taken...carried.
- **Planning Board:** Mayor Perkins said Village Member Kevin Dwyer will stay on Trustee Chatterton motioned to appoint Kevin for another year, which was seconded by Trustee Louer. Roll taken...carried. Mayor Perkins said Jim Bernys has agreed to be a Village Member on the Planning Board until the end of the year. Trustee Murphy motioned to appoint Jim until the end of the year, which was seconded by Trustee Louer. Roll taken...carried.
- **Elections**: Mayor Perkins announced the election results. They should be official by the end of the week. Right now it looks like Jim Bernys won for Supervisor, Kelly Reader won reelection for Town Clerk, Doug Houghton and Robin Eaton Novak won for Councilors and George Horning won for Highway Superintendent.
- **Other:** Mayor Perkins said she was contacted by resident Bill Hutchinson asking if he could post the Village property on Bangall Road as the old signs are in poor condition.
- Trustee Chatterton asked if we have had any luck finding a janitor for the building. The Clerk said she has someone that will start in mid December. She told the Board that they have to pay at least minimum wage or no one will take the job.

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 9, 2021-Joint Village/Town Board Meeting @ 7 pm. (Town).

December 15, 2021-Village Board Monthly Meeting @ 7 PM.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Trustee Chatterton motioned to pay General Fund vouchers numbers 92-114 in the amount of \$12,367.24. Trustee Louer seconded, Roll taken.... carried. Trustee Chatterton motioned to pay Sewer Fund vouchers numbers 66-72 in the amount of \$6,372.39. Trustee Louer seconded, Roll taken.... carried. Trustee Chatterton motioned to pay the T & A fund vouchers numbers 42-47 in the amount of \$2,206.57, which Trustee Louer seconded, Roll taken... carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Chatterton motioned to adjourn at 7:50 PM, which was seconded by Trustee Louer. Roll taken...carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Parish Village Clerk