# Village of Parish, Public Meeting Village Water Project

Thursday September 1, 2022

Mayor Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was in the Village Court.

Roll Call: Present – Mayor Perkins; Trustee Murphy; Trustee Welytok; Trustee Louer; Tasia Engst, Village Clerk; Kevin Dwyer, Village Treasurer

Also Present: Ian Yerdon, C2AE; LJ & Wendy Harvey, Parish Fire Department; Carol Dwyer, Village Resident; Reed Fuller, Village Resident; John Dunham, Resident; David & Melanie Chapman, Town Resident & Village Business Owner

#### COMMUNICATION:

Mayor Perkins: Relayed history of the water project both for Village only, and the latest Town/Village joint project. She introduced Ian Yerdon from C2AE who will be working with the Village on the engineering and funding for the Water project. The Mayor stated that our Income Survey has been approved until 2026, Ian confirmed that date. The Mayor would like to see good input from both Village Residents and Businesses within the committee to be formed so that everyone is represented. Discussed previous Water Survey that was done in 2021, capitol costs and costs to residents are the major concern. There is \$638M in funding across NY for Water Infrastructure along with multiple other departments for funding.

C2AE: Background of C2AE working in Oswego Country for 20+ years in both water and wastewater. There is funding available for State (DWSRF) and Federal (USDARD). PER will provide recommendations & estimated capitol costs will be presented to the public with more real numbers. Currently there are 5 options for water sourcing:

- A. Mexico Village to Parish Village
- B. Hastings Town/OCWA to Parish Village
- C. Buy water in bulk from OCWA
- D. Buy water in bulk from Mexico
- E. Water source within Village Limit

# Questions from Audience:

- Q: Why was the information above not shared with the community in prior years? A: Village Board Previous projects never got far enough to this point previously. Village Clerk That is the sole purpose of the Water Committee forming, to share the findings with the village community.
- Q: Why were the joint project numbers so high? A: C2AE No engineering/planning team involved. Mayor Perkins That is why C2AE has been brought on board to help with this project.
- Q: Why did the last water project proposal fail? A: Village Board Bond was voted down for previous Village project; Recent Joint project was voted down by Town Board
- Q: Is Parish the only village without water in Oswego County? A: C2AE Yes
- Q: How long until the Village has water from when approved? A: C2AE 3-5 years due to the funding, design and bidding processes.

### Other Information from Audience:

Fire Department: Village water will benefit the department greatly as it allows them to respond quicker and more efficiently. Currently water is pulled from Mill Street (when there is enough water) and then they pull from Miller Lumber's pond. Currently the department's fire score is a 9B but could be reduced to a 5 which would help improve home owner's insurance fire rates. Concerns are water pressure to hydrants, needs to be taken into consideration.

PRESENTATIONS: None

GRIEVANCES/CONCERNS: None

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

WWTP: Bond Resolution update from \$2.5M to \$4.3M for WIIA Funding Submittal on September 9, 2022. Quorum Vote: Trustee Murphy – Yes; Trustee Welytok – Yes; Trustee Louer – Yes; Mayor Perkins – Yes; Carried.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 12,  $2022 - 2^{nd}$  Water Committee Meeting @ 6PM

September 21, 2022 - NY Forward Public Meeting @ 6PM

September 21, 2022 - Village Board Monthly Meeting @ 7 PM

**ADJOURNMENT:** Trustee Murphy motioned to adjourn at 7:55 PM, which was seconded by Trustee Welytok. Roll taken...carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tasia M. Engst, Parish Village Clerk