

VILLAGE OF PARISH
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Parish Village Gym; Wednesday, November 15, 2023

Call to Order: Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm, followed by the pledge.

Roll Call: Mayor Murphy, Trustee Allardice (6:36 pm); Trustee Brown (ZOOM), Trustee Teifke; Trustee Youngman and Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Deputy Village Clerk.

Also Present: Ken Scherrieble (6:05) and Tom Bullard (ZOOM), Camden Group; Kevin Dwyer, Village Treasurer; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Assoc. Circuit Rider; Village Attorney Ganetis (ZOOM); Kelly Reader-Petit, Parish Town Clerk; Will Hamacher, CEO; Eleanor Kinney, Resident (ZOOM).

Approval of Minutes: ***Trustee Youngman made a motion to accept the Oct. 18, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes, which was seconded by Trustee Teifke. Roll taken... carried.

Communications: Mayor Murphy said she she talked to the Engineer for the sewer project and we are all set with having filed for the WIIA grants and the N Y. Forward.

REPORTS

Legislator: Mayor Murphy said she contacted legislator Holst about coming to one of our meetings, but she heard nothing back.

WWTP Report: Tom said:

*The DEC had their annual inspection and the plant did not pass which we knew would happen. The operators however got an excellent review.

*The Camden Group had to replace a grinder pump on North Railroad St.

*The problem on S. Railroad St. with the blockage was on the homeowner, it was not on our part of the lines.

* Ken added that we did have one power outage.

*Mayor Murphy also asked the Camden Group to tell their employees to be respectful of her and not make rude comments about her.

Trustee Youngman made a motion to accept the Camden Group report, which was seconded by Trustee Teifke. Roll taken... carried.

CEO Report: CEO Hamacher handed out his report and went over it. Trustee Youngman made a motion to accept the CEO report, which was seconded by Trustee Teifke. Roll taken... carried.

Tug Hill Report:

**Paul said the 2024 Tug Hill Local Government Conference has been set for Thurs. May 2, 2024 at the Turning Stone Conference Center with a special afternoon session and evening reception on Wed. May 1. More details will come later.

**Paul said he provided ZOOM service for the Oct. 24, 2023 meeting with the Village, Town and Parish Town Historical Society at the former Key Bank.

Trustee Youngman made a motion to accept the Tug Hill report, which was seconded by Trustee Teifke. Roll taken... carried.

Executive Session (Enter): Trustee Youngman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:12 pm for personnel reasons, which was seconded by Mayor Murphy. Roll taken... carried.

Executive Session (Exit): Trustee Youngman made a motion to go come out of Executive Session at 6:44 pm, which was seconded by Mayor Murphy. Roll taken... carried.

Presentation/Discussion: None.

Grievances/Concerns: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Meeting Time: Trustee Allardice originally wanted the Regular Board Meeting to start at a later time, but he recently had his hours switched at work, so he is okay with the 6 pm time.

Paychex: The Board discussed having payroll done in house now. Paychex has been messing our account up for months. Mayor Murphy will check with Williamson Law to see what the price is on new Payroll Software. Town Bookkeeper Angie would train the Treasurer and Mayor on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

**The Board does not want to go with the National Grid Audit for the building at this time.

**Treasurer Dwyer said the outstanding tax list has been sent to the County.

**Treasurer Dwyer also said when he spoke at last month's meeting that Pathfinder's Jennifer Wright was local, he meant that she lived locally and not meaning working local. He said he spoke to Jennifer and that he turned in the paperwork to Pathfinder Bank for our 60 day CD. All he needed were the Sept. 2023 Board minutes which he got and she will roll over our CD on Nov. 30, 2023.

**Treasurer Dwyer also said he moved \$36,000 from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund for the delinquent tax fees.

**Treasurer Dwyer said that he needs to pay the bill for the semi annual interest to Key Bank. Trustee Youngman made a motion to authorize Treasurer Dwyer to pay the Statuary Installment Bond to Key Bank as it will be due before our next meeting, which was seconded by Trustee Allardice. Roll taken... carried.

Canfield Park: Mayor Murphy said a car hit the Canfield Park sign and tore it down. Trustee Allardice and Mr. Murphy will fix it.

Mayor Murphy said a tree in Canfield Park also needs to be removed.

Christmas Ornaments: Mayor Murphy said she ordered 2 new Christmas ornaments for the Village. She thanked Supervisor Bernys and Judge Dayger who carried them in.

PTHS: Mayor Murphy said she attended the November Parish Town Historical Meeting where the Society voted on accepting the Village's offer to use the former Key Bank for a 1 year trial period to see if they can be self sufficient with all costs.

Janitor: Mayor Murphy said Village Janitor Alling was in an auto accident and out for a week.

Gym Use: Mayor Murphy reported there has been a lot of people using the gym lately. A basketball League will be using it on Saturdays.

Miribito/Clerk: Management from the new Miribito mini mart/gas station is using the Village meeting room to hold a job fair to hire employees for their new store. They were here today and will be here this Fri. and next Tues. Mayor Murphy took advantage of the people coming and going to put up a sign that the Village was looking for a new Clerk. Trustee Youngman said if they don't have any luck finding someone, he will put an ad on the computer site, INDEED again.

Front Door: Mayor Murphy said she called several companies to get quotes for a new front door for the building. Most people did not get back to her. She got a quote of \$4,661.62 from B.R. Johnson. Trustee Youngman made a motion to have Mayor Murphy contact them to replace the door, which was seconded by Trustee Teifke. Roll taken... carried.

Supervisor's Office: Supervisor Bernys said he wants to have his office repainted. They have \$250 in the budget for it, the Board agreed.

Stop Sign: Mayor Murphy said she ordered a new stop sign for the corner of Union and Church Streets. She thanked the Deputy Clerk for bringing it to her attention that the old one was in bad shape.

Speeding: Trustee Teifke said we should speak to the State about making Main and N. & S. Railroad Streets a 4 way stop. He said we have a lot of speeders going through the Village. We will look into it.

Old Minutes: Trustee Allardice said he was looking through the old Board minutes and during one meeting the former Village Clerk said the people with the pole barn on N. Railroad St. did not need a sewer hook up. He wanted it documented that this was wrong information and going forward if someone saw this they would know that this was wrong.

Dates to Remember:

**Dec. 14, 2023- Joint Town/Village Board Meeting @ 6:30 PM.

**Dec. 20, 2023-Village Board Regular Meeting @ 6pm.

Payment of Bills:

General Fund-Trustee Youngman motioned to pay General Fund vouchers 83-99 in the amount of \$43,853.28, which was seconded by Trustee Allardice. Roll taken... carried.

Sewer Fund-Trustee Youngman motioned to pay Sewer Fund vouchers 68-78 in the amount of \$9,304.22, which was seconded by Trustee Allardice. Roll taken...carried.

T & A Fund-Trustee Youngman motioned to pay the T & A Fund vouchers 53-59 in the amount of \$1,825.60, which was seconded by Trustee Allardice. Roll taken... carried.

Adjournment: Trustee Teifke made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm, which was seconded by Trustee Youngman. Roll taken... carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Parish Deputy Village Clerk