

Village of Parish
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday November 20, 2019

Mayor Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also Present: Chris Carrick & Lindsay Speer, Heatsmart; Jim Bernys, CEO; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Circuit Rider; Steve Ganetis, Village Attorney.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Houghton motioned to accept the October 18, 2019 Regular Board Meeting minutes, which was seconded by Trustee Chatterton. Roll taken...carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor Perkins said only 3 Village employees need to take the harassment class yet.

Mayor Perkins said NYCOM e-mailed the State budget priorities.

Mayor Perkins said our meeting with Senator Ritchie's aide, James Thomas was not productive. Trustee Houghton said he would speak with County Legislator Holst. The Mayor said that the engineers could get some money for us.

REPORTS

****Legislator:** Dave Holst was not present.

****Sewer Plant:** As no one from the Camden Group could attend our Board meeting, Mayor Perkins read their written report, with a little extra written by Tom Bullard. Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the Camden Group's October 2019 report, which was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll taken... carried

Building Inspector/CEO: CEO Bernys gave a written report. The Board asked him some questions. Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the CEO's September report, and Trustee Welytok seconded it. Roll taken... carried.

Tug Hill: - Paul went over his report:

**** Paul attended the fundamentals of Municipal Water & Wastewater Facilities at the Tailwater Lodge in Altmar on Tues. Oct. 29.** It was one of the most thorough presentations Paul had ever seen on the process of a water or sewer project.

**** Paul attended the TugHill Commission's annual meeting and dinner will be Thurs. Nov. 7, 2019 at the TugHill Vineyards in Lowville.** The featured Speaker was Joel LaLone, Research Director for the Center for Community Studies at Jefferson Community College, who presented the findings of the 2019 residents and Landowners Survey.

**** Paul gave us an invoice for our membership in the SRCG.**

**** At the May 2019 meeting of the SRCG, it was determined that the Tug Hill Circuit Rider's expenses would be split between the NSCG and the SRCG for direct payment to the circuit Rider.**

****Paul said Katie Malinowski contacted him to tell him that the Governor had signed the state legislation, which would authorize OCWA to provide water to the Town and Village of Parish.**

****Paul said the Village website is up to date with minutes and there is a posting regarding local participation in the "Tithe My Shoe" collection campaign.**

****Mayor Perkins asked Paul where we stood on the Comprehensive Plan. He said it has gone to the County. Trustee Chatterton motioned to accept the September 2019 Tug Hill report, which was seconded by Trustee Houghton. Roll taken... carried.**

PRESENTATIONS: Chris Carrick and Lindsay Speer put on a presentation on HeatSmart CNY. It's about helping residents get help with their heating costs.

GRIEVANCES: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water Project: There is nothing new at this time. Attorney Ganetis said we could dissolve the inter-municipal agreement with the Town for the Water Project.

CODE VIOLATIONS: Mayor Perkins said all the code violations there were in the Village had been fixed. We have a clean slate.

Fuel Tanks: The Board discussed the situation.

Basement Floor: Trustee Houghton said Leon LaRock the contractor will start as soon as he finishes some other projects.

Old Key Bank: Trustee Houghton said he has a couple of guys he is talking to about doing the interior work on the bank.

CARPP: CARPP asked for the Village to check the entering Parish signs. We will and order new ones if need be. Also Olde' Home Day will be moved to the first weekend in August.

Village Roads Project: Barrett Paving completed the paving of Union St. and DeGarmo Way.

Other: Trustee Chatterton said he has Jeremiah Brown coming at 8:45 am on Nov. 25 to put up the Christmas decorations.

NEW BUSINESS

Local Law: Attorney Ganetis said he would work on a Local Law about mowing lawns stating that residents who fail to mow their lawns will be fined.

Supervisor's Office: Supervisor Phillips keep complaining that her office is cold. Trustee Houghton will contact Pete Dion about lowering the ceiling and insulating.

Unpaid Taxes: The Board signed the certification of unpaid taxes to be sent to the County.

Tithe My Shoes Project: Residents can drop off old shoes at the Presbyterian Church to be done over and given to the less fortunate.

Other: None.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Community Activities: Parish UMC chicken/biscuit dinner December 7-4pm.

Christmas Tree Lighting- December 8-at dark.

December 12, 2019- Winter Joint Board Meeting @ 7 PM.

December 18, 2019-Monthly Village Board Meeting @ 7 PM

February 10, 2020- Quarterly WWTP meeting @ 6pm

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Trustee Chatterton motioned to pay General Fund vouchers numbers 80-97 in the amount of \$8664.17. Trustee Houghton seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Trustee Welytok motioned to pay Sewer Fund vouchers numbers 43-57 in the amount of \$13095.37. Trustee Chatterton seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Trustee Welytok motioned to pay the T & A fund vouchers numbers 55-61 in the amount of \$2,197.45, which Trustee Chatterton seconded, all in favor, motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Chatterton motioned to adjourn at 9:02 PM, which was seconded by Trustee Houghton, roll taken...carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Parish Village Clerk