

**VILLAGE OF VICTORY
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

DECEMBER 12, 2017 at 7:00pm

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Call Monthly Meeting to Order: Present: Mayor Pat Dewey, Trustee Tim Healy and Clerk/Treasurer Maureen Lewsey. Absent: Trustee George Sullivan.

Approval of Minutes:

- Minutes – November 14, 2017 – Monthly Meeting. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2017 regular monthly meeting as submitted. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

Village Board Correspondence or Announcements:

- **ZBA Meeting:** No Meeting scheduled for December
- **Planning Meeting:** No Meeting scheduled for December
- **Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Meeting:** December 18, 2017 at 7:00pm in Victory
- **AMSURE:** Adirondack Trust Insurance Agency has a new name and new logo. The insurance company provides general liability, auto insurance, fidelity bond and fire department insurance to the village.
- **NYCOM:** notices the village about State and Local Tax (SALT) reform bill. Passed by the House and Senate these bills would reduce the amount of deduction tax filers are allowed to deduct from your tax return.
- **Parade Float:** Village of Victory’s parade float as decorated by Trustee Tim Healy and pulled by Mayor Dewey won “2016 Original Float” as the plaque was received December 8, 2017.
- **NYS Affordable Housing Corporation Resources:** Email was received from Home and Community Services outlining the eligible activities such as new construction, acquisition and rehab or home improvements. Application deadline February 16, 2018.

Monthly Reports:

All reports are read as presented and are as follows;

A. DPW REPORT

- Working Supervisor Bill Lloyd provided written report which was read. Mayor Dewey will speak to DPW Supervisor Lloyd regarding the garage door repair, specifically the missing spring. Mayor Dewey would like additional information as to the repair. There was a problem on 22 Pine Street. It was determined that the Village would charge the water \$28/hr. for use of the village backhoe. The water job was located across from the Village hall.

B. SEWER DEPARTMENT:

- Included with DPW report which was read. Grinder pump pump-outs were required at 9 Herkimer Street as core was flooded and 118 Gates Avenue as the owner had called Action Septic due to the core being flooded also. If the Village received a bill from Action Septic, the owner will be responsible for paying it. It was determined that the Village Office should send out “Welcome to the Village” letters to new homeowners which should also include grinder pump informational pamphlets.
 - CHIPS/Cemetery Road discussion: ownership-plowing-amending report. Don Ormsby, Town Highway Superintendent noted that the tax map shows that Cemetery Road is owned by the Village of Victory and the Village should be responsible for taking care of it. But, Mayor Dewey noted that the Town of Saratoga is receiving CHIPS money for Cemetery Road. Now we are dealing with plowing issues and the Town of Saratoga doesn’t want to take care of Cemetery Road. Mayor Dewey stated that it is our responsibility but this year the Town of Saratoga would take care of Cemetery Road. The CHIPS highway inventory report will be corrected for next year and the Village will take responsibility at that time as the Village will receive the CHIPS apportionment.
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C. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- Larry Wolcott submits report which was read. Mayor Dewey asked CEO Wolcott what his schedule was for the coming week. Mr. Wolcott replied he would be in Schaghticoke. In regard to the Building #8 issue, Mayor Dewey stated he will get dates for availability from Al Longtin, Village Engineer and get back to Mr. Wolcott. The two OTR's are scheduled to be in court tonight and it is assumed the Village Attorney's Office will reach out to the Village with updates.

D. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Fire Department report by Chief Wolcott was read. Trustee Healy spoke to Mayor Dewey about the firetruck being parked at the Victory Water Treatment Plant on asphalt. Mayor Dewey said he has no issues with this as long as the Department of Health is okay with it. Trustee Healy said he would call DOH for clarification. Chief Wolcott noted that the firehouse parking lot didn't get plowed out early today, and fireman Helwig plowed up to the firehouse doors. Mayor Dewey to talk to DPW. Mayor Dewey asked if there were any takers on the sale of the firetruck. Chief Wolcott stated the title for the truck was not in the Village's name. The new title has been requested so it can be posted on a website for sale.
- Draft Bylaws for Employer Post – Jr Members age 14-16 - Pending Village Board review and approval. Cost of Liability coverage (estimated \$800.-\$1,000.) to be paid by fire department and not through village contractual account. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the draft By-Laws for Explorer Post-Jr. Members. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- Effective January 1, 2019 firefighters will be eligible for health benefits to support treatment of life threatening cancers (lung, prostate, breast, lymphatic, hematological, digestive, urinary, neurological, reproductive systems or melanoma) under certain criteria. More information to follow.

E. WILTON EMERGENCY/GENERAL SCHUYLER EMS-No report provided.

F. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Draft minutes from November 20, 2017. Mayor Dewey has again requested to receive the draft minutes from the monthly water meetings. Trustee Healy noted he would mention this again and get the Water Treasurer to send them to the Mayor. Mayor Dewey also noted he is still getting a pink/brown stain from the water. Trustee Healy will also mention this at the Meeting.

G. VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT

- Monthly report ending November 30, 2017 which was read.

H. PLANNING BOARD REPORT

- No meeting/no report
- Letter of interest received from village resident Jordan LeClair in serving as an alternate member of the planning board. Currently there is no vacant position on the planning board. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve Jordan LeClair as an alternate member of the Planning Board. All in favor aye. Motion passed.**

I. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

- A Public hearing and Monthly meeting was held on November 20, 2017: Issued an area variance for 154 Cemetery Road in order to replace mobile home with a modular home.

OLD BUSINESS:

- #### A. **Litigation: Ongoing Sewer Manhole/Encroachment & Flow Meter Issues with Village of Schuylerville**
- Proposed Agreement ~ Revision being worked on ~ Pending
 - Establish Meeting Date to review draft agreement
December 26, 2017 at 9:00am, there will be a Special Meeting, the settlement agreement has not been finalized as of yet.
- #### B. **Mill Redevelopment/Riverview Realty/Brookfield Power aka Consolidated Hydro**
- Building #8 demo for unsafe structure is pending the Village Board establishing the date for 2nd inspection in order to send 2nd Order to Remedy (OTR) as is required to continue legal action. This topic has already been discussed under CEO report.
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C. Draft Local Law on Fee Schedules

- Still waiting on draft law from Village Attorney. Mayor Dewey will call Mike Catalfimo, Village Attorney tomorrow.

D. Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant

- A park committee will need to be created to discuss the historical aspects of the park and the potential improvements. The committee will meet 2-3 times and this phase is expected to assist with developing the plans and future funding resources.
- Village Board to appoint Park Committee at the January 9, 2018 meeting: Interested village residents should reach out and contact the village office.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Next Meeting → RESOLUTION:** Establish Park Committee.
- B. **Planning and Zoning Conference 2018 attendance:** Village Board to approve attendance for all planning and zoning members in order to obtain the required 4 hour training each year. Registration \$60./each. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the Planning and Zoning board to attend the 2018 conference. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- C. **Approve Old Saratoga Seniors Agreement - \$300.00/FY 2017.2018. A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the Old Saratoga Seniors Agreement in the amount of \$300.00 for FT-2017-2018. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- D. **LA Group Contract Approval:** Contract agreement for General Schuyler Saw Mill Park sent to village attorney for review. No comments have been received. Mayor Dewey said he will talk to Village Attorney Catalfimo on Wednesday regarding this issue.

OPEN FLOOR: None

Audit Claims:

- Abstract # 7 – DECEMBER 2017
 - General Fund \$26,230.44
 - Sewer Fund \$ 2,773.62

A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the audit claims for Abstract #7. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

Executive Session: None

UPCOMING VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS:

- Next Monthly Meeting:
 - 2nd Tuesday, JANUARY 9, 2018 ~ 7:00pm
- Special Meeting, December 26,2017 at 9:00am (to discuss draft Sewer Agreement)

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to adjourn the meeting. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

JoAnn Bielkiewicz

Recording Secretary
