

VILLAGE OF VICTORY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES **JULY 12, 2016 7:00pm**

Call Meeting to Order. Meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy Mayor Healy.

Approval of Minutes:

- Minutes – June 14, 2016 - Monthly Meeting
A motion was made by Trustee Sullivan and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the Monthly Minutes of June 14th as submitted. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

Village Board Correspondence or Announcements:

- **ZBA Meeting:** 3rd Monday/July meeting not yet scheduled
- **Planning Meeting:** 3rd Tuesday/July meeting not yet scheduled
- **Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Meeting:** 3rd Monday/July 18, 2016 at 7:00pm in Victory

Monthly Reports:

All reports are read as presented and are as follows;

A. DPW REPORT

- Working Supervisor Bill Lloyd provides written report which was read.

- B. PAVE NY allotment of \$3,820.11 to be used for resurfacing, widening and realignment, construction of turning lanes at intersections and new road drainage on reimbursement basis. Trustee Healy asked if this needed to be used this year. Clerk Treasurer Lewsey replied she believes after checking the article on the website, there is no end date therefore can be used with our CHIPS money. This would be able to be used in conjunction with our CHIPS money of \$30107 which to date would be \$33927. Mayor Dewey stated he felt the plan was to be able to pave Cemetery Road and Pond Street, and with the additional CHIPS money that the Village would get next year, we would have about \$47-48K and be able to pave those two roads next year.

C. SEWER DEPARTMENT:

- Included with DPW report

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- CEO Report from Larry Wolcott which was read. On the Mill issue, Mayor Dewey stated there is supposed to be a meeting in August and Engineer, Al Longtin needs a two week notice. CEO Wolcott stated he called Mr. Longtin and left a message regarding a date, and will call him again on Wednesday. Clerk Lewsey stated a date is required in order to send the certified letters.
- 2015 I-Codes will take effect 10/3/2016 in NYS

E. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Fire Department Report from Chief Wolcott which was read.
- Board Approval: Ladder testing not to exceed \$500.00. **A motion was made by Trustee Sullivan and seconded by Mayor Dewey for the cost of the ladder testing not to exceed \$500.00. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

F. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Trustee Healy stated he had the draft minutes and it will be on file in the office. Mayor Dewey questioned the filter account balance and Trustee Sullivan stated they had just transferred money into that account but did state there was a surplus in that account. Mayor Dewey questioned why with that
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amount of money, why can't the repairs to the water tank be taken care of. A discussion of how much the tank repair costs and could they use the filter and meter account to do the tank repair work. The tank repairs cost was estimated at approximately \$450,000. Mayor Dewey stated again would like to see something happen. Trustee Sullivan stated his understanding was they were going to investigate into looking into a grant for the cost of a second high rise tank to serve low pressure areas and try to do everything all at once as your better off with a higher cost request for a grant. Also if there are problems we may be more likely to obtain money for those repairs. Trustee Healy said this is definitely something that will be discussed at the next water meeting.

G. VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT

- Monthly report ending June 2016 was read and will remain on file.

H. PLANNING BOARD REPORT

- Chairman Pete Healy-no meeting/no report. Mayor Dewey asked has the Planning Board heard any word from Travis on the proposed trail. He asked Chairman Healy if he had any contact with Mr. Kline or could he reach out to him and get an update on the trail as he felt the Planning Board had gained momentum with the project and now seems to have lost it. If he is not the person to work on this project, then we need to find someone else. He doesn't want to hold up on this project. Clerk Lewsey stated she had emailed Mr. Kline requesting a report for tonight's meeting and did not receive a response.

I. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

- Chairperson Jaime O'Neill-no meeting/no report

J. HOME/CDBG Grant:

- Jim Thatcher, CT Male submits report which was read.
- Complaint issue received from HCR/needs village board response. Mayor Dewey stated no reason to discuss any further, send HCR the same letter that the Board has already sent to Mr. Brenz and be done with it.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Litigation: Sewer Manhole and Flow Meter Issues.** Mayor Dewey has spoken to Mark Couch and still hasn't heard anything from Schuylerville.
- B. **Public Health Officer Appointment**
- No Update.
- C. **Mill Redevelopment/Riverview Realty.**
- No Update. Mayor Dewey has emailed Uri Kaufman and he stated that the process is going slow.
- D. **Salt Shed/Grant with Town of Saratoga.**
- Letter was sent by Trustee Sullivan requesting information and meeting
 - No response has been received to date.
 - Information from Town website has been provided to Village Board by Clerk/Treasurer Lewsey. Councilman Jim Jennings apologized for coming in late and disrupting the meeting. Mr. Jennings stated they received the letter from the Village basically stating Victory wants to know what's going on and we should know. There is a communication problem. Word has it that John (Sherman) and Tom (Wood) had designed the salt shed. Mr. Jennings was pushing for a one bay salt shed. The grant was for \$100,000 with one bay shared service grant. He was hoping the three entities could get together and if they have any questions they could be brought about then and go from there. Mr. Jennings discussed the construction. Mayor Dewey asked if the Town Board agreed to one bay. Trustee Sullivan stated that they came up with a design that cost more than the \$100,000 shared service grant and they took it upon themselves to ask each village to put in \$20,000 each when the villages had no input whatsoever and telling us we have to pay for it. That is why I sent that letter. Mr. Jennings said he brought that up but we will have to learn to live with it. We just need to keep good records.
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Trustee Sullivan laughed saying maybe we would dye the salt different colors so we would know whose we were using. This got a laugh from everyone. Mr. Jennings said that Schuylerville thinks they are going to get cheated. Trustee Sullivan explained why he had sent the letter to begin with. Clerk Lewsey asked Trustee Sullivan if he was happy with the information she was able to find on the Town website. He responded he requested the actual grant. Mayor Dewey asked if it is the intent of the Town to respond to the village. Mr. Jennings stated he will push to get a response to the Village.

E. White Alley:

- Letter was sent to residents to clean up junk/inspection needed/30 days provided
- 30 Days = July 18th.

After a lengthy discussion last month a letter was sent to the residents. Mayor Dewey toured the alley and two of the major issues, it is felt that one is trying to cleanup and realized one won't do anything. We will have to take care of this somehow. Trustee Sullivan stated the last time something like this happened, the boats got towed. If they want their boats back they have to pay for the towing fees. If things are stored on the individual property, that is not a problem, but stuff does not belong on the Village property. Mayor Dewey feels it is appropriate to send all residents a letter on or after 7/18/2016 stating if vehicles, campers, etc. are not moved, they will be towed away. **A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Trustee Sullivan to send a letter to all the residents of White Alley that if their vehicles, campers, row boats, travel trailers, etc. are not moved they will be towed. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

New BUSINESS:

A. Sidewalk Project

- a. Review Sidewalk Specs. The Board will meet on Saturday, July 16th, at 10:00am to discuss the Sidewalk Specs. **A motion to meet to approve the July 2016 Sidewalk Specifications for the replacement of village sidewalks, in specified areas, was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Sullivan. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

B. Neighborhood Watch

- a. Discuss recent concerns and possible creation of a neighborhood watch group. This was discussed at last month's meeting. Mayor Dewey reached out to local authorities and they would be willing to meeting and discuss with interested parties.
- b. Colored Flyer to be distributed by Trustee Healy this week to see what interest there is.

C. DPW Truck Specs to discuss/BAN to purchase. The cost of the new truck will run between \$62,000 and \$70,000. There was a discussion on the potential of an electric sander, but this was not recommended to do by FAB3. Also discussed was a separate hydraulic unit which would cost \$6K, the board will weigh their options and meet again on July 28, 2016. Trustee Sullivan asked how about this purchase and when will this happen as this is a lot of money and the Village does have other things to take care of like the roofs missing shingles. It is felt that this purchase may be made this fall and will take 2 months to a year. The Village needs to do something as this truck is 10 years old. Mayor Dewey asked do we want to spend the money on a new truck or keep spending money on repairs on the truck we have. Trustee Sullivan stated it would be wiser to budget some money next year and save money for the truck. Trustee Sullivan also stated the worse-case scenario – look what has happened before we used salt and it bothers him that we have a truck with 30K miles and find we need a new truck. **Mayor Dewey made a motion, which was seconded by Trustee Healy, to meet on July 28, 2016, to review the truck specs. All in favor – Mayor Dewey and Trustee Healy – aye, Trustee Sullivan – nay. Motion passed.**

D. Building Repairs

- a. Sewer Garage Roof Replacement. CEO Wolcott stated that the sewer garage roof has wavy spots, flashing/fascia hanging off the building. Mayor Dewey said we need to put roof specs together.
 - b. Village Hall Roof Repair/Replacement. Trustee Sullivan stated flat roof/side roof steep angled area is the area in question. Tiles have been replaced because the roof is leaking. CEO Wolcott can inspect
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the shingles as the slate was taken off, put on in the 90's, possibly 1992-1993. Mayor Dewey asked CEO Wolcott to look at the rest of the roof. CEO Wolcott stated the office area has plywood issues also. Need to look at the flat roof. This discussion was tabled until next month after the inspection is made. Again, the sewer roof should be replaced before it starts leaking. Mayor Dewey stated we will probably need general specification roof specs.

E. Rebuilding Together

- a. Applying for funding through Home & Community Renewal and is requesting a support letter. **Mayor Dewey made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Healy to provide a letter of support via email to the Home & Community Renewal. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

F. Mobile Home Park Fee

- a. Review and possible amendment to current local law.
- b. Review is pending further discussion or other changes.
- c. Copy was provided to each board member by Clerk Treasurer Lewsey.

The Village Board needs to update the Mobile Home Park local law. The prior local law can't simply be amended, an entire new local law has to be adopted. The current process is a headache in many ways for a nominal fee of \$140/yr. Trustee Sullivan recommended in the new local law there should be a provision included that enables the Village Board to meet periodically to review and amend the fee schedules on an as needed basis. Mayor Dewey suggested in September/October the village should hold a public hearing in order for the new local law to be effective by January 2017, when NHP licenses are due.

Open Floor: Approve Fire Department Application for Dillan Lewis. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey to approve the Fire Department Application for Dillan Lewis and seconded by Trustee Sullivan. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

Councilman Jim Jennings stated that there were pictures sent to the Town regarding 12 posts that were damaged in the Siege Trail. Trustee Sullivan reported that he had walked the trail today.

Village resident Pete Healy asked the Board if they were interested in obtaining 2 picnic tables (with steel frames) from Hollingsworth and Vose. The Village Board did not feel they have a need for these tables, but Councilman Jennings suggested Mr. Healy to contact the Schuylerville Youth Center to see if they would like them. Mr. Healy said he would follow up with the Youth Center.

Audit Claims:

- Abstract # 1 – JULY 2016
 - General Fund \$ 13,299.03
 - Sewer Fund \$ 2,303.81

A motion was made by Trustee Sullivan and seconded by Mayor Dewey to accept the Audit Claims for Abstract #1 for June 2016. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

Executive Session: None

UPCOMING VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS:

- Special Meeting, Thursday, July 28th at 6:30pm for the opening of the sealed sidewalk bids received and also to review the truck specs for the potential new DPW truck.
 - Monthly Meeting
 - Monday, August 8, 2016 7:00pm
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ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Sullivan and seconded by Mayor Dewey to adjourn the Village Meeting. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Biellkiewicz

Recording Secretary

