

**VILLAGE OF VICTORY
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

~ March 10, 2020 ~

7:00pm

CALL MONTHLY MEETING TO ORDER: Present: Mayor Pat Dewey, Trustees Tim Healy and Leslie Dennison. Also, present Clerk/Treasurer Maureen Lewsey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Minutes – February 11, 2020 – Monthly Meeting
- Minutes – March 4, 2020 – Special Meeting (pending)
A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2020 regular monthly meeting. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

VILLAGE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS OR CORRESPONDENCES:

- **Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting:** March meeting only if necessary
- **Planning Meeting:** March 17, 2020 at 6:30pm
- **Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Meeting:** March 16, 2020 at 7:00pm in Victory

MONTHLY REPORTS:

All reports are read as presented and highlighted as follows;

A. DPW REPORT

- Provisional Working Supervisor Ryan Campbell provided written report which was read.
 - Campbell will be attending a water class seminar on 3/11/2020.
 - Also asking approval for the sale on NAPA filters in the amount of \$713.68 that will last for a year. **A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve \$714.00 for the purchase of NAPA filters. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- Help Wanted: MEO. There was a discussion on the options for advertising, which included Indeed, Capital District Help Wanted and Zip Recruiter. Mayor Dewey stated since we tried advertising in the village's designated paper The Saratogian with no results, he would like a new ad in The Post Star. There was a brief discussion about cost and timeline. The Village looking to fill permanent part-time, 35 hrs./wk. with paid holidays. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Dennison to place an ad in the Post-Star NTE \$500.00 for the MEO position. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- BID OPENING: Each bid is shown in the order they were opened.
 - 2009 CHEVY TRUCK
 - 1 - \$7,200.00 Wayne Barton
 - 2 - \$5,110.00 Buck & Rhonda Anderson
 - 3 - \$6,550.00 Michael Parillo
 - 4 – \$2,777.17 Gary Kaszowski**Highest bid awarded to Wayne Barton \$7,200.00. Note: If Mr. Barton refuses his bid, we will go back out to bid.**
 - 2002 KUBOTA TRACTOR
 - 1 - \$2,100.00 Ed Sullivan
 - 2 - \$1,100.00 Buck & Rhonda Anderson
 - 3 - \$2,772.17 Michael Parillo
 - 4 - \$3,133.33 Gary Kaszowski

Highest bid awarded to Gary Kaszowski \$3,133.33.

- 1999 STEINER
 - 1 - \$1,100.00 Buck & Rhonda Anderson
 - 2 - \$2,717.17 Michael Parillo
 - 3 - \$2,777.77 Gary Kaszowski

Highest bid awarded to Gary Kaszowski \$2,777.77.

A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Trustee Dennison to accept the highest awarded bid for the 2009 Chevy Truck to Wayne Barton, the 2002 Kubota and 1999 Steiner to Gary Kaszowski. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

B. SEWER DEPARTMENT:

- PWS Campbell brought up several issues going in with grinder pumps:
 - The problem has been solved with the issue of the panel box that was tripping at 85 Herkimer Street. The problem was the breaker in the garage where an unused freezer was causing the breaker to trip.
 - The grinder pump was changed at 5 Herkimer Street.
 - The Post Office has had a tripped breaker. George LaPlante said there was a lot of dirt in the grinder pump. PWS Campbell stated he had to get the grinder pump pumped twice. He also stated there is a breaker issue that needs to be addressed, but seems no one is keeping an eye on the situation. Until the breaker issue gets resolved, he will not put in a new grinder pump. He contacted the Schuylerville Post Office regarding this issue and they told Campbell they would have someone check out the panel box. The Post Office will be responsible for repairs to the grinder pumps. The Village has ‘2000’ series pumps in boxes but not quite ready for installation.

C. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- Larry Wolcott stated he inspected the Mobile Home Park on Schuyler Heights Drive. He had received a lengthy complaint from an anonymous individual leaving no name to contact. He has reached out to the MHP owner Bret Peek by email. Mr. Peek claims he does not own the mobile homes, he just owns the park. CEO Wolcott stated he drove down to the addresses in question and left the complaint with the owner. Outside property look fine. CEO Wolcott cannot make Mr. Peek make repairs on property he does not own. Mr. Wolcott is working on a schedule for multi-family for Spring 2020.

D. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Chief Corey Helwig to submit report which was read.
- QUOTES: Sterling FIRETRUCK 612 to replace HD springs/u bolts etc/labor
 - Shaw Truck Repair \$1,868.44
 - Albany Spring Service \$2,824.20
 - Watkins Spring Co, Inc. \$2,415.28

A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Dennison to approve \$2400.00 for leaf spring repair on the 612 to include anything else i.e.: inspection, etc. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

E. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Draft minutes from the February 19, 2020 monthly meeting. Water Chairman Tim Healy spoke about a motion being made at the last water meeting to charge Miles Lopes for 4 units, unless he proves otherwise. **Trustee Healy made a motion which was seconded by Mayor Dewey to have sewer also charge Mr. Lopes for 4 units on the April billing. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.** Mayor Dewey asked regarding the minutes if the Water Clerk was doing electronic on-line banking. Trustee Dennison stated that she understands the clerk only wants to be able to read only such as up to date balances, etc. Mayor Dewey asked if a resolution was required. Security is a real issue and signatories would be in question. Comptroller's Office is on top of this type of things. Clerk/Treasurer Lewsey suggested reaching out to NYCOM for examples of policies to adopt.

F. VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT

- Monthly report ending February 29, 2020 was read
- NYCLASS investment of \$75,000.00 has earned \$88.43 for the month of January 2020; combined total of \$156.55 for two months.

G. PLANNING BOARD REPORT

- No meeting in February 2020/no report

H. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

- No meeting in January 2020/no report

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Unsafe Structure:** Mill Building #8. Mayor Dewey stated the date of discovery is on Friday.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Schedule Budget Presentation to Village Board Meeting (by March 30, 2020)
- a. Tentative Budget Due by March 20th. Mayor Dewey stated they are working on trying to reduce sewer budget, which is tentatively out to the Village Board, but the fund balance is not where we want in the sewer account.
- B. Schedule Public Hearing for Tentative Budget FY 2020.2021
- a. By April 15, 2020. The public hearing has been scheduled for April 14, 2020 following the Tax Levy Override public hearing at 6:45pm, as outlined below.
 - b. Budget Adoption by May 1st
- C. Resolution: Schedule Public Hearing for Tax Cap Override
- a. Proposed Law 1 of 2020. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Dennison to schedule the public hearing on April 14, 2020 to consider the Proposed Local Law 1 of 2020, A Local Law to Authorize the Board of Trustees to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.** The local law is enacted pursuant to the authority of: (a) Municipal Home Rule Law Section 10 (1) (i) which authorizes a Village to adopt or amend a local law not inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution or not inconsistent with any general law relating to its property, affairs or government; and (b) General Municipal Law Section 3-c, Subdivision (5) which expressly authorizes the Village Board to override the tax cap by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Village Board. It is the intend of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real

property taxes that may be levied by the Village of Victory pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 3-c, and to allow the Village of Victory to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law section 3-c. The Board of Trustees of the Village of Victory, County of Saratoga, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise proscribed in General Municipal Law, section 3-c. **All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

OPEN FLOOR:

- A. Village Resident Wayne Barton would like the Village Board to consider placing a memorial with plaque in the village park near the flag pole to commemorate all branches of the military, law enforcement, fire fighters and EMT's in dedication for serving the Village of Victory. There was a discussion on the plaque and the anniversary celebration. It was very well supported and the Village Board agreed to support the plaque and Mr. Bartons personal support to start a fundraising effort. The village will accept donations toward the monument and plaque and plan to commemorate the monument during the village's 170th anniversary celebration. Date to be determined. Fall 2020.

AUDIT CLAIMS:

- Abstract # 10 – MARCH 2020
 - General Fund \$ 84,534.50
 - Sewer Fund \$ 5,464.24

A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the Audit Claims for Abstract #10 – March 2020 as noted. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

UPCOMING VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS:

- Special Meeting - March 24, 2020 at 6:30pm - FY 20.21 Budget presentation to the Village Board
- Public Hearing – Tax levy Override Proposed Local Law – April 14, 2020 at 6:45pm
- Public Hearing - Budget Presentation at 6:50pm
- Monthly Meeting – April 14, 2020 immediately following public hearings
- Organizational Meeting – April 14, 2020 immediately following the monthly meeting

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

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Bielikiewicz

Recording Secretary