

VILLAGE OF VICTORY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
~ January 10, 2023 ~
7:00pm

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Minutes – Special Meeting – November 21, 2022
 - Minutes – Monthly Meeting – December 13, 2022
- A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the minutes from the Special meeting of November 21, 2022 and the Regular Monthly Meeting of December 13, 2022 as submitted. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

VILLAGE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS OR CORRESPONDENCES:

- Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: January 2023 - no meeting scheduled
- Planning Meeting: January 2023 - no meeting scheduled
- Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Meeting: 4th Monday, January 23, 2023 at 7:00pm in Victory
- Joint Water Board Meeting to discuss Capital Projects on January 23, 2023
- Water Lead Agency Transition: slated for February 1, 2023 to Victory from Schuylerville

MONTHLY REPORTS:

All reports are read as presented and highlighted as follows:

A. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- CEO Larry Wolcott reported he completed CEO certification requirements for 2022.
- He will work on getting the OTR to Mill owners for property maintenance.

B. DPW/SEWER/WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Working Supervisor Ryan Campbell provides written report which as read.
- Campbell reported the retaining wall ditch was cleaned out, diverting water from the wall. They had hand dug by the garage in the alley to divert the water from seeping into the resident's yard..
- Trustee Dennison had an issue with the storm drain on Route 32 that was plugged and piped to the catch basin. This has become a water issue for the resident.
- Ford 550 – The previous repair did not work out. Back to get repaired again (price for the tire-\$450.00). To be done in future as it needs to be replaced.
- T&T – F350 – plow leak – tomorrow is going back. There was a diagnostic charge the last time. Campbell to address this with T&T.
- Campbell to schedule work on prepping the village hallway for repainting next week.
- Campbell reported the pumps are in as reported, but due to water leak he will bet by next week.
- A water leak on 9 Herkimer Street – Contacted NY Rural for assistance. Campbell replaced the curb box/riser stem/ 1/2" line flare and will clear up yard in spring. They still have repairs to make on their line /their responsibility suggested upgrading to 3/4" line.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Chief Ryan Campbell provides written report which was read.
- The fire dept received a grant from the County for \$2,272.0. They are purchasing a smart board.

- Firehouse New project – Campbell met with Delaware Engineering and Matt Fuller from Barton & Loguidice next week.
- Amendment to Fire Department By-Laws Section 1A. Mayor Dewey asked why requesting after approving last month. They discussed this as a department. Allows to make changes to officer positions prior to annual election. There was a discussion on the Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief to create a list of positions to be filled each year. DNFD meeting 2/6, Back to Village meeting 2/14 for approval.
- Approve new membership applications. Two new members were voted on at their December meeting. **A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the new membership applications for Sierra Fontaine and Chase Fontaine. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

D. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT- Status of minutes

- October 2022 – pending
- December 2022 – pending
- January 2023 – not yet

E. VILLAGE TREASURER’S REPORT

- Monthly report ending December 31, 2022 was read.

F. PLANNING BOARD REPORT

- No meeting/no report

G. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

- No meeting/no report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CDPHP: New Rates for March 1st Renewal Date

- a. Single Current \$902.59 ~ New Rate \$943.85
- b. Two Person Rate Current \$1805.19 ~ New Rate \$1887.71
- c. Net Increase \$123.78/month

A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the new rates for CDPHP health insurance. The increase will be \$123.78/month effective March 1, 2023. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

B. Barton & Loguidice Approve Proposal for CFA/Smart Growth Grant Application Amendment

- a. Approved \$2200 but add the County Grant that will support setting up survey monkey \$1100 for a total of \$3200.00. **A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the contract and Mayor Dewey will sign the CFA/Smart Growth Grant Application Amendment. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

OPEN FLOOR: Village resident – Jim Sullivan had a couple of concerns:

- The sign at the corner of Gates Avenue Extension and Burgoyne Street. The post is loose and needs to be replaced.
- Street Lights – Hs is on the Town’s Climate Smart Committee, working with the Town and Village of Schuylerville. Mayor Dewey stated we did the Village Hall building, but due to cost, the village didn’t support it. We can revisit the topic. Gates Avenue Extension, #11 and #17 were accidentally replaced this street with LED l lights.
- 15 Pearl Street fence issue – Asked what is going on. Pending zoning violation – Sullivan complained about a year ago. Mayor Dewey will follow up with the village attorney on the

case progress. Mayor Dewey stated this is an argument between the neighbors and is costly to the Village. Sullivan commented that he doesn't want to spend money unwisely, but has to follow the law.

- Sullivan noted that the Village of Schuylerville has LED's now. Sullivan asked the Village Board to look into it..

AUDIT CLAIMS:

- Abstract # 8 ~ January 2023

- General Fund \$ 37,391.78
- Sewer Fund \$ 212.48

- a. **A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to enter into Executive Session. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
abstract #8 for January 2023 as submitted. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- B. Discuss Hiring of Account Clerk Position

- a. **A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to enter into Executive Session. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

The discussion pertained to advertising for an account clerk.

- b. **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Dennison to exit Executive Session. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- c. **Determination – A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Dennison to advertise for the account clerk position for a period of one week. All in Favor – aye. Motion passed.**

UPCOMING VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS:

- Monthly Meeting ~ Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 7:00pm

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

Respectfully Submitted,

JoAnn Bielkiewicz

Recording Secretary