

# VILLAGE OF VICTORY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

~ February 15, 2023 ~

7:00pm

**CALL MONTHLY MEETING TO ORDER:** Attending: Mayor Pat Dewey, Trustees Tim Healy and Leslie Dennison.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Minutes – Monthly Meeting – January 10, 2023
- Minutes – Special Meeting – January 26, 2023

**A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from the January 10, 2023 meeting and the special meeting held January 26, 2023 as submitted. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

### VILLAGE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS OR CORRESPONDENCES:

- Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: February 2023 - no meeting scheduled
- Planning Meeting: February 2023 - no meeting scheduled
- Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, February 27 2023 at 6:00pm in Victory
- Water Lead Agency Transition: rescheduled to February 15, 2023

Guest Speaker, Julie Stokes, presented a new updated Victory Trail map. Last time the map provided was from Tracy Clothier changing the name to “V Trail” existing cross walks on Rt. 32 will be used. The Town of Saratoga is willing to take fiduciary responsibility. The County transferred grant from Victory to the Town. Ian Murray, Town Council Member Ruth Drumm attended to support the project. Village of Victory property known as General Schuyler Sawmill Park will be improved with stone dust including trail markers. Town representative, Ian. Murray will be managing and handling fundraising responsibilities, handling money/contracts and cover insurances. Mayor Dewey asked has the Town of Saratoga passed any resolution. Mayor Dewey said hold harmless statement is more than a page and more of a legal aspect as the village attorney has been consulted. Ms. Stokes the County deadline is June 2023, therefore, we need to go have the contract in March. Mayor Dewey said he has no objection to trail, just need some assurances. Ms. Stokes asked has the attorney drafted a resolution that the Village Board is comfortable with? Trustee Healy asked is the Town comfortable moving forward and comfortable with verbiage from the Village attorney. Mr. Murray responded the Town has a new attorney, Mark Schachner, Glens Falls. Ms. Stokes asked can he draft. Trustee Healy stated we all want to see the project move forward. Ms. Stokes said the Village of Schuylerville is waiting till the next meeting. Trustee Healy asked should the Village of Victory schedule a Special Meeting? Due to the time frame, the next village meeting wouldn't allow items to be ready for March. Ms. Stokes said they will handle the scope of work. Mayor Dewey noted the needs for info on the scope, legalities, who owns the property at the end of Herkimer Street. Ms. Stokes noted the water easement should be in place due to auto flusher valve there. Ms. Stokes state we would hate to lose the \$9,700.00. Ms. Stokes asked about a special meeting? Mayor Dewey suggested to have attorneys discuss the resolution first. Ms. Stokes they walked with the Village of Victory DPW and discussed crossing areas. Mayor Dewey asked about signs, markers and attach to existing poles. Would this require National Grid agreement. Mayor Dewey asked has Dept. of Transportation done crosswalk on Route 4? Ms. Stokes responded it is marked and the Park Superintendent is working with them.

### MONTHLY REPORTS:

All reports are read as presented and highlighted as follows:

A. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- CEO Larry Wolcott -not present- no action/no report  
Discuss Scheduling Multi Family Inspections. Mayor Dewey will reach out to CEO Wolcott to get them scheduled.

B. DPW/SEWER/WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- DPW - Working Supervisor Ryan Campbell provided written report which was read. Mayor Dewey asked what was the leak in the pump? Campbell replies there was an issue in the pump housing and a plug in the motor was replaced. Everything is okay now.
- SEWER - 10 grinder pumps were picked up from GLLP but missing 32' cord. We will get them with the remaining 2 grinder pumps once everything is in, making one trip
- WATER –Water leak at 9 Herkimer Street. The flare fitting failed on the curb stop and was replaced. The homeowner still has issue with their line, but will repair at a later date. They have good pressure on Spring Street (where the fire was) was repaired. There was a water main break.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Chief Ryan Campbell provided a written report which was read. Campbell stated the chicken BBQ was very successful.
- Amendment to Fire Department By-Laws Section 1A/requesting Final approval. **A motion to approve the By-Laws Section 1A was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Mayor Dewey. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- Campbell reached out to Bohler for RFQ on the Firehouse Project. They were not interested.
- Treasurer Lewsey to request from Barton and Loguidice the rate sheet and terms and conditions. Need to schedule a special meeting to review and discuss the project and RFQ received.

D. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Draft minutes December 2022 & January 2023 meeting ~ pending
- October 2022 not available
- New Water Clerk to begin February 21, 2023 in Victory
- Quote: StoredTech in install a cable drop in Victory office for water computer and equipment
  - \$548.74 Update: Water Chairman Bryan Drew approved expenditure on 2/14/2023.

E. VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT

- Monthly report ending January 31, 2023 which was read

F. PLANNING BOARD REPORT

- No meeting/no report
- Attendance was made by both planning and zoning board members at the Saratoga County sponsored training event at the City Center providing the annual four-hour training requirement.

G. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

- No meeting/no report

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Firehouse Project

- a. Discussion on Engineering RFP's on proposed project. This was already discussed under Fire Dept. report.

B. Tri County Fire Extinguishers, LLC performed inspection on the Fire Suppression System (village hall) and notes that it needs ¾" gas valve replaced. Cost of Gas Valve \$426.36 plus cable @ \$90.00 =

**\$516.36.** Once installed they will return and reconnect and finish inspection + **\$160.00.**(T=\$676.36). **A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Trustee Dennison to approve the cost of gas valve plus cable and the final inspection in the amount of \$676.36. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

- C. Approve Fire Protection Contract 2023 with Town of Saratoga \$14,141.00. **A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Trustee Dennison to approve the Fire Protection Contract 2023 with Town of Saratoga in the amount of \$14,141,00 and Mayor Dewey to sign said contract. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**
- D. NYSERDA LED Street Light Information has been emailed to board members and is under review.
- E. RESOLUTION: Budget Amendment. **A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the resolution dated February 23, 2023 for a budget amendment needed to transfer money between appropriations for the purpose of balancing the budget. Transfers made were: From A1990.4 Contingency, Contractual for \$7,065.00 to A1660.4 Central Stores (Contractual (water expense) \$53.00, 1910.4 Unallocated Insurance \$2,012.00 and A5110.4 General Repairs, Roads, Personal Services \$5,000.00. The Village Board of Trustees authorized the village budget to be amended as outline and stated above. All in favor – Aye. Motion passed.**

**OPEN FLOOR:** None

**AUDIT CLAIMS:**

- Abstract # 9 ~ February 2023
  - General Fund \$ 22,184.02
  - Sewer Fund \$ 31,544.33

**A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Mayor Dewey to approve the February abstract #8 as reviewed. All in favor – eye. Motion passed.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**UPCOMING VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS:**

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

**ADJOURNMENT-** **A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Trustee Healy to adjourn the meeting. All in favor- aye. Motion passed.**

Respectfully Submitted,

*JoAnn Bielkiewicz*

Recording Secretary