

Village Board Meeting
November 9, 2020

Mayor Phillip Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the pledge of allegiance. Trustee Najarian, Hartley, Maley and Tuttle were present, along with Clerk Treasurer Lisa Darling. The Village Board meeting was a Zoom meeting (teleconference) due to COVID-19 following Executive order 202.15

Visitors: Electric Supt. Jeff Livingston Zoom: Officer in Charge Jeff Messina
 SP Operator Steve Ingraham Marcia Miller
 Working Supervisor B. Kinney
 Police Officer Michael Nordberg

Trustee Hartley moved seconded by Trustee Maley that the organizational meeting minutes and regular board meeting minutes of 10/12 are accepted. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Tuttle, seconded by Trustee Najarian that the Treasurers, Code Enforcement, Police, Assessor's and Registrar of Vital Statistics were received and filed. Ayes-all. Carried.

Electric Superintendent Jeff Livingston told the board that the ABB transformer is back. O'Connell Electric is here today and took some test. The ABB Transformer had an impact recorder on it and recorded one g-force but didn't work. Electric Superintendent said he would take oil sample once a month in the beginning and then go to three month intervals. The Electric Department has been renting a Forester mulcher that the Town has been nice enough to haul around for the village. The village will have the mulcher a little longer because the track broke and the company was sending someone out to fix it.

Working Supervisor Bruce Kinney wanted to thank the Villages of Afton and Bainbridge for sending manpower and equipment to help us to finish picking up our leaves as the bearings in our leave vacuum went. Also, thank you to the Electric department and Sewer department for their assistance. Mr. Kinney was notified that the deadline for submission for CHIPS paperwork has been extended to 11/17/20 with payout around 12/21/20, the 20% deduct will not be taken from rollover money. Working Supervisor Kinney told the board he has signed a shared services agreement with the Department of Transportation. The Highway Department last week did some winter preparation, ran the plows, got the salt buckets ready and put the broom on the little tractor. The pole barn had a permissive referendum to spend up to \$12,000.00 on the parking/paving area and the total expense for that came in at \$10,619.07. The letter concerning the culvert pipe installation to Mike Dietrich has been sent out, Mike will need an engineering study based on recommendations made by NYSDEC and to ensure that flood insurance remains available.

Sewer Plant Operator Steve Ingraham told the board that the DEC inspection walk through went well 98 % efficient. They went over the sewer plants permit and the gentlemen from the DEC thinks he can change the use of some of the chemicals we have to add every month, he was going to check into it. Mike Ingraham passed his D Water License and now will have to take the Department of Health interview.

Officer Michael Nordberg told the board that they have started to enforce the overnight parking with reminders and will start writing tickets in the near future. Officer Nordberg told the board that he would be taking the radars up to Albany to be tested on Thursday November 12, 2020. Officer Nordberg told the board that Halloween went well there was no issues.

Motion by Trustee Hartley, seconded by Trustee Najarian to send the unpaid taxes back to Chenango County in the amount of \$27,358.88. Ayes-all. Carried.

Trustee Hartley moved seconded by Trustee Maley to go with Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield Silver 2 for 2021. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Tuttle, seconded by Trustee Najarian to split the cost of the Town/Village website it would be \$1,145.63 each. Ayes-all. Carried.

Trustee Hartley moved seconded by Trustee Tuttle to put a legal ad in the paper for a Public Hearing at the December 14th meeting for a 3% water rate increase. Ayes-all. Carried.

Mayor Brown is having the Clerk Treasurer run a legal ad on what offices will be open for election in March of 2021, which is Mayor a two year term and two Trustee positions two year terms.

Trustee Tuttle moved, seconded by Trustee Najarian that the following audited claims be paid, in total 312,674.00.

General Fund	\$122,897.76	Electric Fund	\$133,795.08
Water Fund	\$19,477.75	Sewer Fund	\$36,503.41

Ayes-all. Carried.

Trustee Maley made a motion seconded by Trustee Hartley to authorize the following budget amendments:

A.3410.453 Fire Dept. Fire Prevention	+174.12
A.3410.448 Fire Dept. Miscellaneous	-174.12
F.8340.262 Capital Equip Patching/Paving	+376.85
F.8340.270 Capital Equip Hydrants	-376.85

Ayes-all. Carried.

The Floor was opened to visitors: no one spoke.

Trustee Hartley said that they have had their last Ballflats meeting until spring. They have also hired Mike McNerney next year for maintenance.

Trustee Maley said the new patrol car is in Buffalo and should be here by the end of the month.

Trustee Tuttle said that Sewer Plant Operator Steve Ingraham and the department have winterized the sewer plant and lift stations.

Trustee Najarian said she would get an update on Hometown Holidays. Trustee Najarian wanted to thank the departments for picking up the leaves.

Mayor Brown said that the village would continue to do zoom meetings. Mayor Brown also announced that the village had received their third quarter sales tax check and it was up \$5,490.81 from third quarter of 2019.

Motion by Trustee Tuttle, seconded by Trustee Najarian to enter into executive session on personnel and legal matters at 7:39pm. Ayes-all. Carried.

Trustee Hartley moved, seconded by Trustee Maley to end executive session and enter regular session at 7:48.m. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Najarian, seconded by Trustee Maley, to adjourn the board meeting at 7:50pm. Ayes-all. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Darling Clerk Treasurer