

Village Board Meeting
October 10, 2022 7pm

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees DuMond, Shapley and Najarian were present along with Clerk Treasurer Irene Tornillo, Working Supervisor Kinney, Sewer Plant Operator Ingraham, Electric Superintendent Livingston, and OIC Nordberg. Trustee Williamson was absent. Visitors: Town Supervisor Henninge, Councilmen McDermott, Page and Northrup. Sean Niemi, Paul Tredo.

Motion by Trustee DuMond seconded by Trustee Najarian to amend 9/12/22 minutes to read: Sewer Plant Operator Ingraham requests permission to purchase a cordless valve exerciser at a price of \$6,500.00. (There is no permissive referendum needed for this, as it is being taken from a budget line item that is set up for the dump fee revenues). Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Shapley seconded by Trustee DuMond to accept the board meeting minutes of 9/12/22 and special meeting on 8/11/22. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee Shapley that the Treasurer's report, Police, Town of Greene, Greene Code Enforcer and Town Historian reports were received and filed. Ayes-all. Carried.

Superintendent Livingston reported BST accountant firm has completed the electric financial report for fiscal year end 5/31/22 and will be filed. In BST's review, it shows there is no need for a rate increase at this time. The Village's rates have not been increased since 2008. All increases are due to government taxes which are beyond the village's control. The flower baskets will be taken down Tuesday, 10/11/22. Superintendent Livingston requested permission to attend the NYMPA semi-annual meeting in Syracuse on October 25, 2022 and be the voting delegate for the Village of Greene.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee DuMond to allow Superintendent Livingston to attend the NYMPA semi-annual meeting in Syracuse October 25, 2022 and be the voting delegate for the Village of Greene. Ayes-all. Carried.

Working Supervisor Kinney reported the clock above Village Hall is repaired. Alan Lord of Rotary is in possession of 6 dog stations and will be delivering them to DPW and has offered to assist in assembly. There are a number of different locations being considered. There is no tentative date yet for installation of the dog stations. Trustee Najarian will check on the status of the training for the students from the Dept of Health.

The two 1972 class benches will be installed in front of Hymn & Hawe. The concrete work will be done first. The Raymond 100 year anniversary bench will be placed between Najarian Chiropractor office and Magro's Pizzeria. Trustee Najarian will check with LisaMarie Delaney for the status of the Steve Raymond class of '67 bench. The concrete work at 9 S. Chenango Street is almost complete and looking like a great job. Chips paperwork for reimbursement will be submitted shortly. Some ADA compliance work is being done. The leaf picker has been out as of today. A salter has been purchased for winter and it will be submitted for reimbursement through NYS Winter Recovery.

OIC Nordberg reported Applefest went well. Village of Greene PD was awarded an extra \$1,000 for STOP DWI from NYS.

Sewer Plant Operator Ingraham reported well #1 should be online next week.

Mayor Brown reported Trick or Treat in the Village will be Monday October 31, 2022 between 5pm to 8pm.

Motion by Trustee DuMond seconded by Trustee Najarian to hold Trick or Treat in the Village Monday October 31, 2022 between 5pm and 8pm. Ayes – all. Carried.

Mayor Brown reported there has been no Halloween Dance since COVID and will no longer be having the dance. There is approximately \$593.24 of remaining funds in the Halloween Dance account which the board would like to be donated to the organizations that have been donated to in the past.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee Shapley to close Halloween Dance fund with SFCU in the amount of \$593.24 and donate to the organizations previously donated to in the past. Ayes – all. Carried.

Mayor Brown reported the Village's Emergency Plan has been revised September 2022 and disbursed to Trustees and department heads.

Mayor Brown reported the Village May 31, 2022 AUD (Annual Financial Report Update Document) has been completed and submitted to NYS Office of State Comptroller by Cywnar, Farrow & Locke, CPA's.

Motion by Trustee Shapley seconded by Trustee DuMond to accept the Village of Greene's May 31, 2022 AUD. Ayes – all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee DuMond seconded by Trustee Shapley to sign off on Project Completion Certificate for Sewer Plant SRF Project No: C7-6332-01-00. Ayes-all. Carried.

Town Supervisor Henning discussed some possible improvements at the Ball Flats such as the following: Extending the walking path, add 4 more swings, a second softball field for younger players, adding a basketball court and possibly a pickle ball court along with a small pavilion to house a few picnic tables between the two playgrounds. There are some Town ARPA funds available to use for this project and possibly seeking donation from the Raymond Foundation. Town Superintendent Henning stated they will be discussing this at the Town Board meeting.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee Shapley that the following audited claims be paid in total \$238,823.05.

General	\$63,216.00	Electric	\$152,035.62
Water	\$ 7,295.87	Sewer	\$ 16,275.56

Sean Niemi mentioned a skateboard area at the Ball Flats, as an additional idea to be considered. Also "art work" on the dug outs, etc. at the Ball Flats by local artists and community members should be considered as well.

Mr. Tredo questioned a letter he received. Mayor Brown stated the Village Board will address his concern at a later date when all Trustees are available.

Sean Niemi inquired about the status of Cannabis dispensaries within the village limits. Mayor Brown has stated it does need to be addressed again in the near future.

Trustee Shapley thanked OIC Nordberg for seeking the additional NYS Stop DWI funds. The Fire Department pancake breakfast is canceled this year due to lack of volunteers. Fire Department is looking into recruitment ideas along with other fire departments.

Trustee Najarian reported the planters will be winterized 10/20/22 and will be stored at Schafer's. Thanked Raymond Corp for the planters and water/sewer dept. for watering the flowers this season.

Mayor Brown thanked all departments for their great job on projects over the summer and dealing with storm issues that occurred over the summer months.

Motion by Trustee DuMond seconded by Trustee Najarian to end regular session and enter into executive session. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee Shapley to end executive session and enter regular session at 8:40pm. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee DuMond seconded by Trustee Shapley to continue with the current Silver 2 health insurance plan for the 2023 calendar year for the Village employees. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee DuMond seconded by Trustee Najarian to adjourn meeting at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene A. Tornillo
Clerk Treasurer