

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2020

Board Members Present: Mayor Richard Frost
Trustee Carol Horlacher
Trustee Art Miller
Trustee Bryan Woleben
Trustee Craig Miller

Board Member Absent:

Present: Scott Jagoda, Village Clerk/Treasurer
Peter Clark, Attorney
Rich Lewis, WWTP
Nancy Furman, Deputy Clerk
Ken Becker, Streets Supervisor
Dave Hazelton 6:03 (left at 6:20)

Mayor Frost opened the workshop/regular meeting with the pledge to the flag at 6:01 p.m. Meeting was held in person with social distancing and masks required.

Workshop: No discussion, Mayor Frost moved directly into regular meeting.

Public Comments: Dave Hazelton suggested the board declare the property owned by the Village near Bear Lake a surplus and sell since it is not being used and would relieve any responsibilities should something happen. Peter Clark will do a title search and the board will review at a later date.

Department Reports:

Scott Jagoda, Village Clerk/Treasurer – The clerk noted a bill was introduced in Albany that would authorize County Board of Elections to utilize all clerks as absentee ballot collection points for November’s general election. The lockbox required would be at the expense of the Village and currently no provision for compensation or reimbursement to municipalities for fulfilling these duties.

Village Attorney Peter D. Clark – Peter introduced a proposed local law regarding mobile food trucks. The board will review and make any adjustments before officially adopting.

Ken Becker, Streets Dept. – Ken introduced a quote for a new backhoe from Monroe Tractor. A motion was made by Trustee Carol Horlacher to purchase a new Case 580SN backhoe for the cost of \$119,172.00. They offer a trade in allowance of \$28,500.00 for the old backhoe and the remainder will be paid by CHIPS funds of \$61,870.00, \$28,802.00 from the equipment fund, with a second by Trustee Craig Miller, voting was unanimous, motion carried.

Wendy Spinuzza, Code Enforcement Officer – The mayor introduced the code enforcement report for July 2020. There were 8 complaints and 12 permits issued. Wendy and Gina Paradis have scheduled a pre-demolition meeting for 10 East Main St.

Rich Lewis - Wastewater Treatment Plant – Rich introduced a quote from R.M. Headlee for a new Actuator which is a necessity to operate the plant. A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben with a second by Trustee Craig Miller to purchase new Auma Actuator from R.M. Headlee for \$2,319.00, voting was unanimous, motion carried.

Rich and the board discussed his proposed changes to the sewer rates. The proposed changes would eliminate the \$.35 per assessed valuation and focus on charging rates based more-so on actual usage along with adjustments to base charges and metered usage. The board will continue to review before officially introducing an amendment to the current local law.

Fire Department – Phil Gerace, Fire Chief – The monthly fire department report was presented, they had a total of 40 calls in July. 6 of these calls were mutual aid to East and West Dunkirk.

Electric Department – Joe Majkowski, Electric Lineman – The clerk noted the state has implemented a plan to offer deferred payment agreements for utilities with the idea of getting those behind on bills caught up after the state of emergency is lifted. Customers will have 180 days to catch up or face disconnection or termination.

The clerk introduced a quote from Creative Technologies to upgrade the billing software to accommodate the new radio read system. A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben with a second by Trustee Art Miller to upgrade billing software for the cost of \$3,795.00, voting was unanimous, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Trustee Bryan Woleben – No report.

Trustee Art Miller – No report.

Trustee Craig Miller – No report.

Trustee Carol Horlacher – No report.

Mayor Report: - No report.

New Business:

RESOLUTION 25-2020

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE
ON MUTUAL AID-FIRE EMERGENCY AGREEMENT
WITH DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

WHEREAS, a proposed agreement between NYS Dept. of Corrections, the Village of Brocton, Brocton Fire Department, and the Town of Portland Fire Protection District No. 1 has been presented to this Board and

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement sets forth a protocol for mutual aid to the prison for fire emergency incidents, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, said agreement is hereby approved and the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign said agreement on behalf of the Village of Brocton.

Resolution introduced by Trustee Carol Horlacher and second by Trustee Craig Miller, with vote as follows:

__4__ ayes __0__ nays __0__ absent

Dated: August 19, 2020

Scott Jagoda
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Old Business:

A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben, seconded by Trustee Carol Horlacher to authorize payment of signed and approved vouchers. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Craig Miller, seconded by Trustee Bryan Woleben to approve July 15th regular meeting minutes as presented in written form. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben, seconded by Trustee Art Miller to approve the written reports as presented. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

With no further business brought before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:36p.m. by Trustee Bryan Woleben seconded by Trustee Craig Miller. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Scott Jagoda
Village Clerk/Treasurer