

REGULAR MEETING
February 3, 2016

Board Members Present: Mayor David Hazelton
Trustee J. Dale Abram
Trustee Bryan Woleben
Trustee Craig Miller

Board Members Absent: Trustee Gary Planty

Present: Peter D. Clark, Village Attorney
Thomas Allen, DPW Superintendent
Richard Lewis, Sewer Plant
Philip Gerace, Fire Chief
Ann Belcher, Observer

Mayor Hazelton opened the regular meeting with the pledge to the flag at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comments: No public comments

Department Reports: The Mayor gave the Village Clerk, Sonia Luszczak report who was not at the meeting due to family health issues. The Village received a credit for cell phones in the amount of \$69.20. The Clerk purchased a paper folder to help facilitate with folding of the Electric and Water/Sewer Bills. It came in and the Mayor helped set it up and did a trail run. It is working very nicely. The Mayor presented a quote from Integrated Benefit Solutions for NYS Disability Insurance as we will be losing coverage from Prudential effective the end of April 2016. After discussion a motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben and second by Trustee Craig Miller to change disability insurance carrier from Prudential to ShelterPoint in the amount of \$554.40 per year paid in advance. The benefit went from \$170.00 a week, to \$340.00. This will take effect March 1st. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

DPW, Thomas Allen Department Superintendent – Tom presented to the Board a quote for a new Village Truck. He would not need the plow as he can get one much cheaper than on the quote. This will replace the current 2003 truck. The cost of the new Truck would be \$25,937 that also included the hitch package. A motion was made by Trustee J. Dale Abram and second by Trustee Bryan Woleben to purchase 2016 Ford F-250, regular cab, four wheel drive with optional

trailer package in the amount of \$25,937 being paid out of the reserve account. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Tom has been working on getting guardrails for the Peerless Street Bridge. He can get some for little to nothing after a meeting he will attend with DOT next week.

Sewer Plant - There was discussion regarding the roofs on all of the buildings at the Sewer plant. There will be more discussion in the Spring as to what should be placed on them, shingles or metal. There has been calls made on getting quotes. More to follow.

Fire Department - Philip Gerace gave an update that there are 2 members that are attending the EMT class. Starting next week there will be 3 or 4 guys attending the B-Pole classes.

Peter Clark, Village Attorney- Peter has sent all of the General Code in to be updated and he is waiting to hear from them.

Committee Reports: No Trustee reports.

Mayor Report: Mayor Hazelton stated that after the Confined Space Training the real issue that came out of it was we do not have any extrication method in place. The Mayor believes that we should contact our Engineer to see if something can be built to make the job of cleaning the pits safer. The Village has been put on notice that we do not have the proper equipment to do this job. It was discussed that to have someone come in to do the cleaning would cost several thousand dollars. The Mayor requested permission to talk to Rex Tolman regarding what could be done to make this cleaning safer. It was granted.

The Mayor received via email approval for the Minority Business and Women's Enterprise plan by EFC. There will be a preconstruction meeting set up to begin construction on the Water Main Replacement project. Several of the residents have asked to attend, Mr. Dorogi as well as the gentleman that purchased Mr. Robbins farm.

The blue barrels that we get at the Water Treatment Plant, 55 Gallon Drums, currently are being picked up by Harbison Bros., Inc. out of Buffalo. This company has picked up these barrels in the past years for nothing and were never charged for them. They have sent an email that they will need to initiate a flat fee of \$100.00 per pick up of the barrels to help defray the value of the drums. The Mayor has made a recommendation that we try to sell these barrels. The cost of \$100.00 was not accepted.

The Mayor spoke about doing away with the Justice position in the Village of Brocton. After much discussion with the Village Attorney, Peter Clark went on to explain all of the legal things that would have to

be completed to be placed on the ballot at the end of the term of Judge Craig. Trustee Craig Miller stated that he would vote to abolish the position. Trustee J. Dale Abram believes that since the Village has our own laws within the Village, he does not believe that this is going to do us any good. Trustee Bryan Woleben did agree with Trustee J. Dale Abram. The Justice position will remain the same as is. The Mayor let the Board know that the Fire Hall was struck by the snowplow. The Mayor has requested quotes on the repairs to the building and has spoken to the insurance carrier. There does not appear to be any danger to the structure of the building. Mayor Hazelton presented to the Board a notice of claim from Mr. Michael Bellando in the amount of \$2,038.41 for damages done to 2007 Chevrolet Cobalt that was struck by the Village snow plow. A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben and second by Trustee Craig Miller to approve the notice of claim in the amount of \$2,038.41. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

New Business:

Resolution 11-2016 was introduced

RESOLUTION 11-2016

**APPROVAL TO ATTEND AERATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR
WASTEWATER TRAINING**

WHEREAS Ryan Hazelton and Richard Lewis have requested approval to attend Aeration Technologies for Wastewater on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at Clarion, Dunkirk, NY. This is sponsored by New York Rural Water Association. The purpose of this training is to meet operator's re-certification mandates. Cost for this training will be \$27.00 each with breakfast and lunch included. Travel will be by Village truck.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED authorization is given for Ryan Hazelton and Richard Lewis to attend Aeration Technologies for Wastewater training as listed above.

Resolution introduced by Trustee J. Dale Abram, second by Trustee Craig Miller with vote as follows:

 3 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

Dated: February 3, 2016

Sonia Luszczak
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Old Business:

General Code – Peter Clark, Village Attorney gave the update previously.

A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Woleben, second by Trustee Craig Miller to authorize payment of signed approved vouchers. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee J. Dale Abram, second by Trustee Bryan Woleben to approve January 20th minutes as written. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

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

With no further business or need for Executive Session brought before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm by Trustee J. Dale Abram, second by Trustee Craig Miller. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sonia Luszczak
Village Clerk/Treasurer