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VILLAGE OF CATTARAUGUS
14 Main Street, Cattaraugus, NY 14719

Regular Board Meeting
August 12, 2019

PRESIDING: Wirt Smith, *Mayor*

PRESENT: *Trustees:* George Borrowdale, Diane Wienk, Anthony Nagel, Douglas Johnson; Eugene Doucette, *Treasurer;* Jon Wolfe, *DPW Superintendent;* Tom Patterson, *DPW Deputy Superintendent;* Dan Waasdorp *Police;* Frank Watson, *Code Enforcement;* Betsy Wolfe-Widrig, *Deputy Clerk;* Tamara Stallard-Mormile, *Recording Secretary*

ABSENT: Frank Watson, *Code Enforcement*

VISITORS: Jake Alianello, *MDA Engineers;* Jason Crawford, Bob Botsford, Brett Bradley, *Village Residents;* Mike Ortiz, *Shield Financial;* Anna Mallaber, *Senior Building;* Michael Krick, *Town Water District*

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minute discussion. Trustee Johnson is not pleased with the length and detail of the July minutes. He is also unhappy with the lack of detail in the July minutes. He feels that the detail in the public comment is too much and that different things were not included. The informational meeting on the police department was not included. Also, the mention of the Jon Wolfe looking into a different type of building for the Senior Building was not included. Mayor Smith informed Mr. Johnson that the minutes are the clerk's minutes and approving them is merely a formality. The resolutions are always included and corrected where there might be mistakes, but anything else is at the clerk's discretion. The board asked why they are approved in meetings? With no formal answer, the discussion was dropped and nothing decided or done with the minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brett Bradley: Mr. Bradley would like to purchase the property in the town that aligns his property and belongs to the village. It would cost more to have the property surveyed than it is worth and it had been surveyed previously. Mr. Bradley presented documents supporting this.

Resolution # 24 - 2019 / 2020 Property Sale

On a motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Borrowdale, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Aye 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

Nay 0

RESOLVED, to sell the property on North Franklin Street to Brett Bradley for \$500.00 and filing fees.

Anna Mallaber: Ms. Mallaber wants to know if there is any new information on the Senior Building. She wants to know what the hold up is. Mayor Smith explained to her that since Senator Young quit her position, the money remains in limbo. There won't be any official word on it until September at the earliest. Ms. Mallaber heard the Village was considering a different design or type of building. Jon Wolfe looked into modular buildings, but wasn't impressed with any as they did not look sturdy or well made.

Michael Krick: Mr. Krick purchased his property in the middle of May. He doesn't believe he should be responsible for the water bill. It was explained to him that he got a minimum bill and the water law dictates that every property receives a minimum bill for 8,000 gallons or less, even if the property owner uses zero gallons. It was also explained that there have been property owners in the same position as Mr. Krick, and they have all paid the water bill. It is the new property owner's responsibility to uncover any outstanding bills on a property,

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not the villages. He also feels that the late penalty should be forgiven as he did not receive the first bill. The board agreed to forgive the penalty, but not the bill.

Resolution # 25 - 2019 / 2020 Late Penalty Forgiveness

On a motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Borrowdale, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Aye 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

Nay 0

RESOLVED, to forgive the late penalty for this property and the Reid property.

Robert Botsford: The construction on Waverly Street bridge has continued. Trustee Johnson said that David Rupp told him that there is no anticipated opening day for the bridge at this time.

Jake Alianello: Mr. Alianello is here for a water project update. Northrup is making progress and laying pipe. Northrup has not submitted for payment yet as the state needs to approve the paperwork. They have been working with the state since April to give the state what they need. They have asked for a time extension and it seems reasonable. There will be a new easement for the portion of the Cobo property by the next meeting. The new easement will not interfere or change the previous easement.

Jason Crawford: Mr. Crawford asked how the bricks are holding up.

Mike Ortiz: Mr. Ortiz presented the list of recommendations from the insurance company.

REPORTS:

1. DPW: The driveway for Wildwood pool is done. They will submit a bill to them. The DPW needs a new computer for the fuel tanks. It is pricy. The Labor Day Celebration is on August 31st.

Resolution # 26 - 2019 / 2020 Computer Purchase

On a motion by Trustee Borrowdale, second by Trustee Johnson, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Aye 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

Nay 0

RESOLVED, to purchase a new computer system for the fuel tanks.

2. Treasurer: Some checks need to be fixed. Mr. Doucette asked that the board please look over and sign his year end report. Mr. Doucette asked that the board please update the fixed assets.
3. Police: The new hire did not pan out. They will stick with the 3 officers they have now as it seems to be working well.
4. Clerk: Discussion about leasing a new printer. It will cost \$6 more a month. There are a few property owners that have asked for extensions for water bill payments. The board must decide on water shut-offs.

Resolution # 27 - 2019 / 2020 New Printer

On a motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Nagel, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Aye 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

Nay 0

RESOLVED, to lease a new printer.

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Resolution # 28 - 2019 / 2020 Water Bill Extensions

On a motion by Trustee Borrowdale, second by Trustee Johnson, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Aye 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

Nay 0

RESOLVED, to grant extensions to the property owners who asked.

Resolution # 29 - 2019 / 2020 Water Shut-Offs

On a motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Borrowdale, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Aye 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

Nay 0

RESOLVED, to Shut off the water to the properties that did not pay their water bills.

5. Trustee Johnson and Trustee Wienk: They spoke to Eileen Williams and she understands she will be getting billed for water from now on and she will not pursue the matter further.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nobody has any recommendations for the open Zoning Board position.

NEW BUSINESS:

Everything was discussed during the meeting.

Resolution #30– 2019/2020 Approval of Abstract

On a motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Borrowdale, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYE 4 Wienk, Nagel, Johnson, Borrowdale

NAY 0

RESOLVED, to approve the abstract with corrections.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #31 – 2019/2020 Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Nagel, second by Trustee Johnson, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYE 4 Wienk, Johnson, Nagel, Borrowdale

NAY 0

RESOLVED, To adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara Stallard-Mormile
Recording Secretary
Village of Cattaraugus Board of Trustees

NEXT MEETING:

Regular Board Meeting September 9, 2019. 7:00 pm