

Minutes October 11th, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich met on October 11th, 2017 in the Board Room of the Community Center at 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich. Present were Mayor Fuller and Trustees Vandewater and Edsforth, and Attorney Kelly. Trustees Taylor and Brown were absent.

The regular meeting began at 7:00PM. A motion to approve the minutes from the regular Board Meeting held on September 11th and special meeting on September 27th was made on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller. Vouchers from 17-185 through 17-237 in the General Fund totaling \$51,823.24, vouchers from 17-31 through 17-33 in the Water Fund totaling \$6,885.17, and vouchers from 17-27 through 17-34 in the Sewer Fund totaling \$2,324.69 were audited and ordered paid on motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

Department Reports:

Fire: Chief White reported 16 calls: 11 EMS, 1 motor vehicle accident, 1 building fire, 1 system malfunction, and 1 false alarm. Total member hours for the month of September was 728 hours. The Department has made contact with several vendors for the siren, and have received a range of prices from \$5300-13,000 depending on model and decibel level. The quotes do not include the cost of wiring. They are still planning on the location for the siren to be at the Community Center. Chief White requested the purchase be tabled until next budget year as this was not included in this year's budget. The Fit for Duty 5k had 84 participants which was down a little from last year due to bad weather. Community CPR program and BLS program continues to be a huge success. Twelve members completed the 24-hour NYS Pump operations course. Members were busy and involved in fire prevention week doing presentations and programs. The Fire Department will be hosting a memorial dedication on Sunday, October 15th at 11am.

Police: Chief Bell presented his report: 16 criminal cases, arrested 6 different individuals, no arrests for Driving While Intoxicated, 28 calls for service, and 3 motor vehicle accidents. Officers issued 53 traffic tickets during the month of September. The semi-annual firearms training will take place on Saturday, October 28th. A resolution to accept the resignation of full time Patrol Officer Cory Wagner effective October 23rd and to make him a part-time Patrol Officer starting October 23rd was made on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by Mayor Fuller. A motion was made by Trustee Vandewater to start hiring a new candidate prior to October 23rd, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by Mayor Fuller. Discussion was had about the contract that new full-time patrolmen would be required to sign upon hiring binding them to stay with the Department for 2 years the Board had discussed drafting prior to hiring Cory. Attorney Kelly was not sure the contract would be enforceable even if it were executed as planned. However, the Board agreed it would be a good tool to have even if it was not enforceable. Attorney Kelly plans to have a contract drafted prior to the next new hire's start date.

DPW: Supt. Flynn reported that his crew completed the semi-annual requirement of flushing hydrants this past week. The DPW successfully removed 12 trees with the help of Don Dulmer's Tree Service. They plan to continue leaf pick up and cleaning parks for the winter. The Cumberland Farms request will not be discussed at this meeting due to the full Board not being present. A special meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 17th to further discuss this matter.

Youth: Garson Smith reported 388 members and 88 volunteer hours for the month of September. He wanted to thank Supt. Flynn and the entire DPW staff for the new sidewalk to the rear entrance of the youth center. He also wanted to thank Chief White for the reference given at last meeting. The bike rack will be moving to the rear entrance of the building this week. The Youth Center plans to have a photo shoot after the Halloween Parade on the 29th. They will have their annual pumpkin carving on October 28th, with all pumpkins donated from Hand Melon Farm. The program partnering with the YMCA will be starting back up in December. The SEFCU financial programs will begin in November, and they hope to have it as a quarterly offering. Garson is planning to have a WFI modem hooked up in the 3rd floor this week, along with a donation of a projector they will install to the ceiling. Discussion was had regarding the installation of a fire alarm

control panel and 5 smoke detectors which would increase the capacity from 50 to 105 people in the 3rd floor. The cost for the 3rd floor alone would be \$2400 plus a \$30 monthly monitoring fee. The cost for the entire building would be \$7500. Mayor Fuller would like to look into funding this project in conjunction with the Youth Center.

Mayor: On September 30th, the Village dedicated a tree in Baptist Park to Harvey “Moose” Mason and was well attended by family and friends. The Mason family donated \$3,000 set aside in a bank account for this purpose for additional tree plantings throughout the Village. The steering committee for the EPA Smartgrowth grant had a follow-up conference call and will be meeting as a group to work out the next steps for the top priority projects identified during the workshops. The Fire Department has ordered their new tanker truck, using a short-term loan to purchase it. Once we receive the funds from the Dormitory Authority, we will pay back the loan \$200,000. The bids for the general contractor are out for both the ESD and Main Street Anchor Grants, but no bids have been accepted at this time. The Mayor, Clerk and Clean Energy Community representative plan to meet next week to discuss the progress and goals to reach the 3 additional action items needed to be designated as a Clean Energy Community. Mayor Fuller submitted a preliminary proposal for a new project for the Carrie Woerner Grant and are waiting to hear back from her office. The Village is working with engineering firm Barton and Loguidice to apply for a site-specific assessment grant for the Skybel/Dunbarton Mill Property and eminent domain project. The Department of Health has finally given the Village the new 2-year schedule of dates for the work that needs to be done to the water system. The first deadline requires a proposal to be submitted outlining the plan for the replacement of two wells. Engineering firm Barton and Loguidice will be drafting the proposal, and then the Village will need to figure out how to procure the funding for this project.

Old Business:

1. The property owner of 10 Simpson St. was issued a notice of violation under the Village Nuisance Law with a deadline of today. Attorney Kelly would like to suggest extending the notice of violation another 30 days and revisit next month. He will be sending the extension letter. If there is still no response, the DPW will clean up the outside of the property to the best of their ability, especially any hazardous materials. All costs incurred by the Village will be charged to the property owners’ taxes.
2. Health Insurance Regulations have been discussed at length throughout the last year and in the last month the Clerk made the final edits and formatting. The updated Health Insurance Regulations will be effective immediately, and are approved on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.
3. The Annual Justice Court Docket Evaluation has been completed by Mayor Fuller, and Trustees Brown, Taylor and Edsforth. Resolution to approve 2016-2017 Justice Court Books made on a motion by Trustee Edsforth, seconded by Trustee Vandewater, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

New Business:

1. Resolution to accept the 2nd trimester water and sewer billing made on a motion by Trustee Edsforth, seconded by Trustee Vandewater, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

Water	\$62,987.63
Water reserve	\$11,437.14
Sewer	\$26,437.83
Sewer reserve	\$3,385.82
2. Planning Task Force for Community Center Building will be tabled until next month as the resident who would like to spearhead the taskforce was unable to attend this meeting. Mayor Fuller explained to the residents present that ultimately there would need to be a planning grant for funding to assess feasibility and community feedback throughout the process.
3. NYS Paid Family Leave is optional for municipalities, and the Board needs to decide whether they would like to opt in or not. It is part of disability and fully funded by employees. If enrolled, employees pay 0.165% of their paycheck into the program. In 2018, employees are eligible for 50% of their salary for a period of 8 weeks. In 2019, employees are eligible for 55% of their salary for a period of 10 weeks. In 2020, employees are eligible for 60% of their salary for a period of 10 weeks.

In 2021, employees are eligible for 67% of their salary for a period of 12 weeks. The Village of Greenwich will be participating in the NYS Paid Family Leave program through New York State Insurance Fund (NYSIF) made on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by Mayor Fuller.

4. The Board would like to support the Chamber of Commerce Halloween Parade in the amount not to exceed \$25, and the Holiday Lighted Tractor Parade in the amount not to exceed \$150 made on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by Mayor Fuller.

Correspondence

1. Mayor Fuller read aloud the request for water outside the Village from both Harold and Janet Smith of Lincoln Ave and Amy and Darren Elsworth of Lincoln Ave. The Board does not feel that they can extend water service to residents outside of the Village that do not already have service at this time. Even though the results of the aquifer study have revealed our capacity is adequate, there are still many updates to the infrastructure that need to be made before the Board will feel comfortable extending any major water service outside of the Village. The Board is also currently working on drafting a water policy for any new applicants outside of the Village.

Public Comment

Kate Bernhardt of 32 Gray Ave made a nuisance complaint against her neighbor at 30 Gray Ave. She will stop into the office tomorrow for an official complaint form.

The Board entered into executive session requested by Attorney Kelly to discuss current litigation at 8:01 PM on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller. The public meeting resumed at 8:25 PM on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Brown, and carried by all present.

Additional discussion was had regarding changes to the water policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM on a motion from Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Prime