

Minutes

May 14th, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich met on May 14, 2018 in the Board Room of the Community Center at 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich. Present were Mayor Fuller and Trustees Brown, Edsforth, Vandewater, Robinson and Attorney Sellar-Ryan.

Mayor Fuller opened the meeting at 6:57PM.

Payment for vouchers from the General Fund numbers 546 - 602 in the amount of \$81,053.87, Water Fund voucher numbers 95 - 105 in the amount of \$2,510.36, Sewer Fund voucher numbers 82 - 90 in the amount of \$2,591.67 were made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by all.

Department Reports:

Fire: Chief White reported that burn ban is almost over. In the month of April, there were 23 calls: 13 EMS, 1 dispatched and cancelled in route, 2 building fires, 2 good intent calls, 2 rescue calls, 1 MVA, 1 alarm activation, and 1 cover assignment. Total member hours for the month of April was 426.25 hours of activity and training and 15.46 hours of emergency response. Purchases: certified First Responder class, rescue truck lettering, accountability tags, used portable radios, pagers and Nomax hoods. Tanker 322 will be arriving shortly.

Police: Chief Brundige submitted his report: 12 reportable cases, total of 6 arrested with 7 different charges, no arrests for Driving While Intoxicated and 1 motor vehicle accident. Officers issued 43 traffic tickets during the month of April. There are 3 arrests pending. Mowry Park protest was without incident. New Live Scanner has been purchased from Biometrics4All for the sum of \$11, 053.40 and will arrive shortly. Preparations are underway for the Memorial Day Parade and Whipple City Days.

DPW: Supt. Flynn presented his report. The department is still working on the water main break on Abeel Ave., it should be repaired tomorrow. Routine work accomplished: garbage, recycling, ash, metal & brush pick up, clean catch basins, sweep all streets, patch potholes w/winter mix, sweep sidewalks, cut down 2 trees on Rock St, and 1 on Prospect, cleaned off reservoir, installed new slate sidewalk on Church St, repaired driveway apron Gray Ave, raked and cleaned all parks. Spring clean-up week was April 16-20. Tree estimate from Mandy Springs has gone up \$500 for 10 trees to \$6174.72. There is a long list of residents desiring trees and stump removal. Options for stump removal were discussed including renting equipment vs hiring an outside contractor at \$200.00 per stump. Nothing was decided at this time. Welcome to Greenwich and "employee only parking signs" signs will be taken down and repainted this winter pending Lee Nichols availability as he was the original painter. Mayor Fuller asked for a Resolution to Purchase 5 Trees Installed and Guaranteed made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all. Potential fall tree plantings will put out to bid. Discussion was had about tree custodianship; watering and care. The possibility of signage highlighting each new tree in the village was discussed.

Youth: Trustee Edsforth reported that is has been a busy month at the youth center with 445 attending, 130 volunteer hours and 3 new members. All programs are doing well; Math Help & Peer

Tutoring, Financial Program with SEFCU, Get Fit, Get Moving, PodPi, Boys' Fun Night, Safe Sitter, Theater Arts. Looking ahead; Hudson Crossing Cardboard Boat Race is in August. Large cardboard boxes and pieces are needed to build "person" boats

Mayor:

Mayor Fuller presented her report. The NYCOM conference in Saratoga Springs was attended by the Mayor, Trustees Edsforth and Robinson as well as the Village Clerk with a variety of valuable sessions attended. News from the village office: credit cards will be accepted for taxes, dump stickers and water/sewer rents commencing June 1st at the latest. Main Street Anchor Grant and ESD Grant: work has been delayed due to permit approval. They are now approved and in place, work will re-start shortly. A fall opening is still planned. Fire Department FEMA Grant has not been granted due to an excessive number of applicants exceeding the funding pool. We were unsuccessful in obtaining the Assessment Grant for the Dunbarton Project and have requested a meeting with the EPA to learn why our score was insufficient. Village Hall task force will start to identify funding sources for the planning process. A table will be set up at Whipple City Days for input from the general public. Clean Energy Community Project: we have been in touch with NYPA. They have set up collaborative groups that work /buy together. They will also work with us on the electric vehicle charging station project. Carrie Woerner Grant is being discussed with possible funding of an elevator to make all floors accessible. Information will be gathered about the budget particulars. The Village and the Fire Department sponsored an Opioid Forum on May 9th.

Old Business:

1. Roy Richardson from Barton & Loguidice; Project Manager on the DOH Improvements on the Water System spoke on the project history, and the process and requirements of funding. The state has not released the deadline for funding, which will probably be July, which means we are doing well on scheduling. Attorney Sellar-Ryan prepared the Negative Declaration and the Resolution Establishing Lead Agency for the project, which Mayor Fuller read, stating; The Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich Establishes Itself as Lead Agency for this project based the examination of the EAF and supporting information as well as no negative response, within the 30 day deadline, from agencies contacted on April 9, 2018. It is also determined based on the information and analysis that the proposed actions will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. The Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 – Impact Assessment and Part 3 Determination of Significance was signed by Mayor Fuller. The Resolution Establishing Village as Lead Agency with Negative Environmental Impact was made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Vandewater, and carried by all.
2. The authorization to purchase of An Ameriglide Stair Chair was made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all for the purpose of public access to the second floor for those unable to use the stairs.
3. Updated bids will be secured for fire alarm and surveillance systems for Village Hall, Garage and Water Plant. Proposals will be discussed at the next regular board meeting.

New Business:

1. Lorraine Ballard invites all to the 8th Annual Battenkill Festival on behalf of the Battenkill Conservancy at the Town Beach, noting the extended season is Memorial Day to Columbus Day. This year the admission is free and food will be available for purchase. The Battenkill Corridor Project is highlighting river access, especially at the Rock Street access point. Mayor Fuller agreed to a sign at this access point and will be in touch with next steps.

2. Village Hall fee policy discussed as it related to use of the upstairs space. Implementing a use fee related to the cost of cleaning the space was agreed on. The upstairs is not part of the cleaner's agreement currently, so additional information is necessary based on cleaning needs and schedules.
3. Clean up day at Thunder Mountain Recreation Area is June 2 starting at 9:30 am. All are welcome to attend. Two picnic tables are being purchased for \$500 each. The DPW will assemble with finishes applied by volunteers on June 2nd.

Permits:

1. The Board accepted Lili Loveday's application to use the upstairs for dance lessons on Monday afternoons for the 2018-19 school year on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

Correspondence:

1. VFW has invited the Mayor and Board of Trustees to participate in the Memorial Day Parade on May 25, 2018 commencing at 6 pm.

Public Comment:

1. Jennifer Kuzmich inquired about the process of reporting and dealing with a dangerous dog. The answer was provided by Chief Brundige and Attorney Seller-Ryan, which is a report to Animal Control who then follows up with police.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM by a motion from Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Dowling