

Minutes - Regular Board Meeting Village of Greenwich

January 13, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich met January 13, 2020, in the Board Room of the Village of Greenwich. Present were Mayor Fuller, Trustees Brown, Vandewater, Robinson and Edsforth, as well as Sargent Danko, Superintendent Flynn and Chief White.

Mayor Fuller opened the meeting at 7:02 PM.

Vouchers

General Fund voucher numbers 319 - 370 in the amount of \$63,697.55

Water Fund voucher numbers 50 – 61 in the amount of \$4,783.96

Sewer Fund voucher numbers 41 – 46 in the amount of \$1,790.54

These were approved, audited and ordered paid on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by all.

Transfers

FROM: A1990.4	\$14533.28	TO: A9010.8	\$14407.12
		A9015.8	\$47.06
		A9040.8	\$71.66
		A9055.8	\$7.44

These transfers were approved on motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

Department Reports:

Police: Sargent Danko delivered the December report. There were 7 criminal cases for the month, 130 for the year, total of 2 arrested for the month. 81 total arrests for 2019. NYS DOT has been contacted again regarding the dangerous egress from Barber Ave. A stop light was discussed as well as a sensor traffic light and the response was; "highly unlikely." The two reasons given were disrupting the flow of traffic and the hill. A traffic study would be the way to approach this. Sargent Danko will keep pursuing this. A second meeting took place at the school with Superintendent Flynn regarding the crossing guard situation. The school offering to provide a bus to pick up walkers in front of the Village Building, eliminating the need for crossing 29. The hope is for everyone to walk to the bus and then ride to school. This would hopefully lessen the congestion at the school and surrounding streets. A safety study is a possibility for the area in front of the library. This would enable a crossing system by Middle Falls. A battery is needed for the current system on Church St.

Fire: Chief White delivered the December and year-end report; Two new members, end-of-year members number 50. Year-end calls 294. SCBA – 7 used would like to declare as surplus. Sealed bids will be opened at the March Meeting. Would like to move 1969 GMC brush truck funds into the Capital Equipment Fund. Also would like to declare 49 radios surplus. Sealed bids to be opened at the March Meeting. FEMA site is still down, vendor has not been paid and Julie Benzo has been in contact with them. In honor of Colleen Mason, the Angelo Foundation has awarded the Greenwich Fire Department \$30,000 which will be used for a thermal imaging camera, state mandated bail out system, rescue rope, covering the cost overrun of SCBA purchase and updating

bathroom to add shower. Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser and GFD Annual Banquet coming up at the end of the month. Ladder 324 will need new cables next year at a cost of \$6,000.

Resolution No.1 of 2020-Declaration of Surplus – 7 SCBA Bottles from the Village of Greenwich Fire Department passed on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

Resolution No.2 of 2020 Approval to appropriate \$12,100 from sale of surplus 1969 GMC Brush Truck into the Capital Equipment Reserve passed on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Brown and carried by all.

Resolution No.3 of 2020 Declaration of Surplus – 24 Mobile Radios and 25 Portable Radios from the Village of Greenwich Fire Department passed on a motion by Trustee Edsforth, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

DPW: Superintendent Flynn delivered the December report: A meeting at the County will take place tomorrow regarding the County roads affected by the upcoming water project. B&L will attend. The State is now stating that all 5 wells should be in service. Recycling program has to change. We need to find a solution other than Saratoga County, where it has been taken. Recycling amounts to about a ton a week. It's going to cost about \$100 a week. Trustee Brown suggested tabling the discussion until Thursday. Sign for Hill St. reflecting new weight limits have not been ordered. Trustee Vandewater will forward exact specs to Superintendent Flynn. A new Employee Parking Only sign will be ordered as well.

Youth: President Mumby delivered December report: December attendees were down due to the short month. Two popular programs have been Cornell Cooperative Extension and Pottery with Emily Crawford. New contract has been reviewed and is ready to sign. New quarterly amounts are \$12,500.00.

Authorize Mayor Fuller to sign New CCGY contract beginning January 13, 2020 made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by all.

Mayor: Mayor Fuller delivered December report: **AGFTC Upcoming projects** The Village submitted two projects to the Adirondack Glens Falls Transportation Council for consideration for their 2020 program: one of our projects has been approved! The AGFTC 20-21 plan says **Assist the Village of Greenwich to update the zoning/land use ordinance(s) to codify Complete Streets, Access Management, parking regulations and requirements, and promote downtown mixed-use development.** We will be working with the AGFTC on next steps.

Brownfields Opportunity Area Grant During December we were informed that we have been awarded the BOA grant; this grant is a joint project between the Village and the Town of Greenwich, with the Village as the Lead Agency. Trustee Vandewater and I met with the Chazen team that we worked with on the grant application, and we will take initial steps to launching the work. We will appoint an advisory committee that will make the key decisions on the grant focuses as we move forward. Part of the work will focus on the Dunbarton site. **Member Item Grant through DASNY** Trustee Brown and I met with Carrie Woerner's office about a grant to redo sidewalks throughout the Village. Part of the Chazen parking and sidewalk study prioritized the needs for our sidewalks throughout the Village, and we will be looking at that to create a work

list. We are in initial phases of planning the grant, but Woerner's office encouraged us to move forward. **Main Street Anchor Grant and ESD** I got an update about Wally's; parking lot work is in progress, and the interior work continues. We are getting closer to opening! **Converting Streetlights to LED** Nothing new on this project. Trustee Vandewater is handling this initiative. We are still waiting for an updated price from National Grid for the cost to purchase the current fixtures. Once we have the estimate we will move forward with working with NYPA to replace our fixtures. **Natural Gas for the Village** We haven't had an update with results of the natural gas survey but will continue to try to contact our representative. Results should be available. **Economic Development in the Town** Trustee Vandewater and I met with a group of Town officials and business owners with the goal of talking about how to promote development in the Rt 29 corridor. Everyone agrees that infrastructure is key, and we talked about our water project and our findings about our water capacity with the new wells. We advised them to contact our water engineers to discuss the process for extending the water system. **Village Personnel Policy** Trustees Brown and Robinson and I have had several meetings in which we are working through the personnel policy to identify places where updates are needed. Once we complete our work, we'll present our findings to the Board so we can discuss and vote on the changes.

Old Business:

Barton & Loguidice has submitted amended engineering service proposal for the additional streets and work for the Water System Improvement Project.

Resolution No.4 of 2020 Barton and Loguidice Amendment No.1 for Additional Engineering Services Proposal – to Cover the Following Scope of Services: Preliminary Design Services & Funding Report, Topographic Survey, Geotechnical Investigations, Final Design, Bidding and Permitting for the Water System Improvement Project approved on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Brown and carried by all.

Personnel Policy revisions tabled for further discussion.

New Business:

Resolution No.5 of 2020 Authorize Mayor Fuller and Chief White to sign 2020 Fire Protection Contract made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

Village Permit Fees discussion.

List of potential, current or proposed fees:

- Frozen Meter fee - \$50.00
- New Service from Main - \$500.00
- Water for Building Purposes – Discontinue
- Hydrant Usage – Discontinue
- Fire Protection for Sprinkler Heads - Hold off for additional information
- Fire Protection – Municipal Hydrant – Discontinue
- Fire Protection Private Hydrant
- Water Service - \$100.00

- Water discontinuance – 0
- Zoning Board of Appeals - \$100.00
- Peddlers Permit Annual - \$500.00
- Peddlers Permit One Day – \$75.00
- Peddlers Permit Weekend - \$150.00
- Building Permit- \$75.00 and up

Nomination of Caitlin Vollmer to ZBA. Mayor Fuller asked the Board to nominate this qualified candidate. Nomination made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by all.

Potential vote on eliminating the position of Village Justice. No vote.

Resolution No.6 of 2020 Authorize Provision to Expand Residency Requirement for Election Inspectors made on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

Resolution No.7 of 2020 Wastewater Treatment Planning Grant a motion made by Trustee Brown confirming interest in using grant for this project with Mayor Fuller as the authorized representative, seconded by Trustee Vandewater.

The Board closed the public meeting at 8:42 PM on a motion by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all. The Board entered into executive session requested by Fire Chief White to discuss litigation.

The public meeting resumed at 9:58 PM on a motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Vandewater, and carried by all.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 PM on a motion from Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Vandewater, and carried by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Dowling