

MINUTES OF A BOARD MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2020, AT 6:00 PM IN THE TRUSTEES' BOARD ROOM, 23 NORTH
MAIN STREET, ALLEGANY COUNTY, WELLSVILLE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: Mayor: Randy Shayler
Deputy Mayor: Jeff Monroe
Trustees: Jeremy Cole, Ed Fahs, Mike Roeske
Dir. DPW: Bill Whitfield
Police Chief: Tim O'Grady
Fire Chief: Barney Dillie

ABSENT: Treasurer: Earl Johnson

VISITORS: Bill Davis, MRB; Brian Hamlin; Sheila Hull; Eric Welninski; Chris Potter, The Spectator; Michael Baldwin, Regional News

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Shayler requested acceptance of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on December 23, 2019. Trustee Fahs made a motion to accept the minutes and Trustee Cole seconded the motion. Carried.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS:

1. Mayor Shayler welcomed the visitors present. Brian Hamlin spoke first stating he came tonight to check on the status of the Weimer's home on 86 East Hanover Street from a previous unsafe building hearing. He indicated that no one has been around cleaning up and that there was a water break recently, apparently affecting the foundation showing crumbling mortar. He cleans up around the fence between their properties and has observed food in coolers in the backyard, leaving potential for rats. Trustee Roeske noted that the owners at 86 East Hanover Street are not allowed back to the property and that legal motions are underway. Brian also noted a tree that is right between the Weimer's property and their other neighbor's property, the Gaylords, is splitting. Brian is concerned about damage to the electrical services or property damage if it were to continue to split. He also obtained a quote of \$900 to take the tree down. Director Bill Whitfield said that he will take a look at it, especially if it is a hazard to the electric wires. Mayor Shayler added we would look at it with the perspective of the electric company, otherwise he's not sure what we can do, that our hands may be tied. The Mayor also asked Trustee Fahs to follow up with the Village Attorney regarding the Weimer unsafe property.
2. The next visitor to speak was Sheila Hull who wanted to check in again on the issue with her neighbors on South Main Street who are continuing to bring in vehicles to apparently repair on their property, which is located directly behind Ms. Hull's property. She indicated that she's tired of the rats that have appeared due to the abundance of vehicles sitting around, that people don't want to come to her house because of them. She says she cannot put out rat poison because she has her own pets. Trustee Cole said that he and Attorney Buck had visited the property back in August and the neighbors had moved some vehicles at that point. He's not sure where the Attorney is at on

this case or on his dealings with the Village Justice to get some action on changing the situation. Mayor Shayler added it's possibly a scheduling issue with the court. Ms. Hull stated that she is very frustrated, having been six years that she's been actively discussing this with the Village, seemingly to no avail. She has asked the Spectator to write an article about the case and even though she doesn't really want to, she may take it to Channel 4 news to cover the story. Mayor Shayler told Ms. Hull that we will get back with her for sure, that we will take some action. He asked if she had contacted the Health Department and she stated she had but they're not doing anything. The Mayor said he would try calling the Health Department himself to add another voice. He also asked Trustee Fahs to follow up, stating we need to make the mistake of doing too much.

3. Mayor Shayler requested to accept and approve the Application for a Special Event Permit for the Wellsville High School Graduation to be held on Friday, June 26, 2020, beginning at 7:00 pm. As in the past, they are requesting police assistance in redirecting traffic/shutting down West State Street 15 minutes prior and lasting through the conclusion of the ceremony. Trustee Fahs made a motion to accept and approve the Permit Application; Trustee Cole seconded the motion. Carried.
4. Mayor Shayler requested to accept and approve the Application for a Special Event Permit from the Wellsville Area Chamber of Commerce for their Wine Walk 2020 to be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020, running from 1:00-4:00 pm. The location will be North Main Street, from the Village offices to the Beef Haus restaurant, with an extension to Jefferson Street (American Legion and Tami's Florist) and East Pearl Street (Julie's Consignment). Participants will walk along the sidewalks. The Village Police will suspend the open container local law for participants of the Wine Walk during that period. Trustee Cole made a motion to accept and approve the Permit Application; Trustee Roeske seconded the motion. Carried.
5. Mayor Shayler requested to accept and approve the donation of money collected from parking meters between Thanksgiving 2019 and New Year's Day 2020 to this year's recipient: Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive. This year's total of coins collected is \$2,792.35, rounding up to a total gift of \$2,800. We will invite a representative from the Salvation Army to attend a future meeting and present them with the check. Trustee Cole made a motion to accept and approve the donation; Trustee Fahs seconded the motion. Carried.
6. Mayor Shayler requested to accept and approve in full form the two Local Laws presented to the Board and were the subject of the Public Hearing held today, prior to this meeting.

(a) LL#1 of 2020, Regulation of Parking of Motor Vehicles on Public Places, adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wellsville by roll call:

Trustee Cole	<u>AYE</u>	Trustee Fahs	<u>AYE</u>
Trustee Monroe	<u>AYE</u>	Trustee Roeske	<u>AYE</u>
Mayor Shayler	<u>AYE</u>		

(b) LL#2 of 2020, Providing for the Impoundment of Motor Vehicles by Police Under Circumstances Where Authorized by the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wellsville by roll call:

Trustee Cole	<u>AYE</u>	Trustee Fahs	<u>AYE</u>
Trustee Monroe	<u>AYE</u>	Trustee Roeske	<u>AYE</u>
Mayor Shayler	<u>AYE</u>		

The effective date of these laws shall be the date they are filed with New York State Department of State.

TRUSTEES' BUSINESS:

COLE:

1. Trustee Cole made a motion to accept and approve the vouchers as listed in the Abstract of Vouchers dated January 13, 2020. Trustee Monroe seconded the motion. Carried.

MONROE:

1. Trustee Monroe informed the Board of the Dyke Street Engine Company's plans to hold their 3rd Annual Gun Raffle in late April, early May. He will get the Special Event Permit application from them to be approved at a future Board meeting.

ROESKE:

1. Trustee Roeske made a motion to accept and approve allowing Village DPW to install a directional sign supplied by the East Dyke Museum at the corner of South Main and East Dyke Streets. Mayor Shayler asked Director Whitfield if he has seen the signs and he replied that he has and that they follow the rules and that the DPW would be happy to do that task. Trustee Monroe seconded the motion. Carried.
2. Trustee Roeske gave a message from the Town Board that they would like to thank the Village Board for allowing them to use the Village Board Room for their Board meetings, while the Town offices have moved to the Airport recently. He continued that they wish to request the additional use, once a month, for their Planning Board meetings. Mayor Shayler made a motion to enable the Town Board to use our boardroom for their Board and Planning Board meetings. Trustee Fahs seconded the motion. Carried.
3. Trustee Roeske noted that the Village Planning Board intends to work on updating the Village Zoning Laws.
4. Mayor Shayler requested to move Bill Davis from MRB up the agenda a bit so he could finish up to get back at a decent hour tonight. Mr. Davis came tonight to give a brief update on the WWTP (Waste Water Treatment Plant) Project. He distributed an updated schedule to the Board and noted that plans will be going to the DEC in a couple weeks. He discussed the recent

digester damage issues and highlighted on the use of ultraviolet versus chlorination/ dechlorination for leachate. He noted having bad news of having to add a half million dollars to the project due to going away from ultraviolet use; however, the good news is that the WQIP Program has awarded another million dollar grant to the project. He also discussed that a long-term cost analysis is being done and has asked Mike Smith to do some additional testing as well. Director Whitfield noted that he will provide the Board members with a flash drive version of an email with more information. The digester needs to have the sludge drained to see what damage is inside, which upon talking with Rich Ewell, it should be covered under our insurance. Mayor Shayler asked Mr. Davis more about the UV comparison and if the leachate has changed over time and if the DEC would be onboard to not using UV. Mr. Davis stated that a couple other plants have had the same situation, in that UV has not been a good fit and that the DEC should understand, but he'll also provide the plans and specs to the DEC.

FAHS:

1. Trustee Fahs made a motion to accept and approve three change orders to the Water Treatment Plant HMI Project. The total of the three change orders amounts to \$9,200, which brings the project total to \$22,475, but is still under the total Board-approved Capital Plan budget for this project, \$38,000. Trustee Roeske seconded the motion. Carried.
2. Trustee Fahs made a motion to accept and approve the deaccession of old Water Treatment Plant turbidimeter, chlorine analyzers and controller equipment per attached list; and donate to NY Rural Waters to assist other municipal water systems. Trustee Monroe seconded the motion. Carried.

POLICE DEPT:

1. Chief O'Grady updated the Board on the Police Department's server that crashed a couple of weeks ago and had to be replaced. Renovations on the removal of the jail cells is in progress, with the Village Water personnel having removed the pipes and the DPW will also be removing the benches and the Electric Department will add electricity next. Even if the recent law changes due to the State's bail reform are reversed, there were only 5-10 people a year held in the cells so they weren't being used a lot.

FIRE DEPT:

1. Fire Chief Dillie noted there will be apparatus placement training Wednesday night at the Alfred State College campus.
2. Fire Chief Dillie would like to put together a Chief's Qualification Committee prior to the annual election with three certified training officers who are not running for Chief. He asks for 30 days notification to the secretary, 10 days to the committee, then to the Board with comments provided.

3. Trustee Roeske noted that we need to get the budget/contract approved with the Town for providing service. Fire Chief Dillie added there needs to be four signature lines for the companies.

DPW:

1. Director Whitfield discussed continued tree and access road issues on East Genesee Street, where it needs to be addressed to avoid potential electrical outages.

TREASURER:

1. Treasurer Earl Johnson was not present.

On a motion made by Trustee Cole and seconded by Trustee Fahs, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Seely
Village Clerk