

MINUTES OF A BOARD MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD ON JANUARY 11, 2021, 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: Ed Fahs, Gary Pearson, Mike Roeske
Dir. DPW: Bill Whitfield
Police Chief: Tim O'Grady
Fire Chief: Barney Dillie
Treasurer: Melissa Mullen (via teleconference)

ABSENT: Attorney: Rich Buck

VISITORS: Lisa Knorowski; Patty Graves, Town Liaison; Chris Potter, The Spectator;
Kathryn Ross, Olean Times Herald

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm with the pledge to the flag led by Trustee Fahs.

Mayor Shayler welcomed everyone to the meeting. He asked if any visitors had anything they wished to speak about and there was no response.

Trustee Roeske requested acceptance of the minutes from the Regular Board meeting held on December 28, 2020; Trustee Pearson seconded the motion. Carried.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS:

1. Mayor Shayler requested acceptance and approval of the Application for a Special Event Permit for the Dyke Street Engine Co. and Wellsville Fire Company Chicken BBQ fundraiser to be held on March 28, 2021 from noon – 2:00 pm. The location of the BBQ is at 89 East Hanover Street, Wellsville. Trustee Monroe noted that the facility has been examined by the Department of Health and all was good. Trustee Roeske added that it's a COVID procedure. Mayor Shayler stated it's not only approved, it's safe. Trustee Fahs seconded the motion. Carried.

TRUSTEES' BUSINESS:

PEARSON:

1. Trustee Pearson made a motion to accept and approve the vouchers as listed in the Abstract of Vouchers dated January 11, 2021. Trustee Fahs seconded the motion. Carried.

MONROE:

1. Trustee Monroe had nothing to discuss.

ROESKE:

1. Trustee Roeske had nothing to discuss.

FAHS:

1. Trustee Fahs requested executive session to discuss a legal issue.

POLICE DEPT:

1. Chief O'Grady requested permission to put an old police vehicle (2012) up for sale to another municipality. He noted he may know of someone interested, but if not, to put it online. Mayor Shayler inquired about the new police vehicle and if it was all set with its lights, etc. Chief O'Grady confirmed that it is. Trustee Roeske asked at what cost the old one would be sold at. The Chief noted that he would look into it, as well as have it checked by a mechanic for assistance with the value. The Chief added that it would be discussed further in executive session. Trustee Pearson made a motion to put the vehicle up for sale as the Chief requested and Trustee Monroe seconded the motion. Carried.

FIRE DEPT:

1. Fire Chief Dillie noted there was a new membership application for Duke Hose, but that it will wait until the next meeting.
2. Fire Chief Dillie, with Town Liaison Patty Graves' inquiry, asked for the status of the Town Fire Protection Contract. Trustee Fahs noted that it's still being worked on.
3. Fire Chief Dillie noted that since he doesn't have a year-to-date budget made available to him yet, he will not convene their committee until he has it.
4. Fire Chief Dillie stated that Chief Candidates are to have their qualifications made available to the Village Clerk and Fire Department Secretary by March 8, 2021, with elections scheduled for April 8, 2021. Mayor Shayler asked how many were anticipated, which Chief Dillie replied five or six.
5. Fire Chief Dillie said he's been working with the new owners of the old Dresser Rand building for access after hours.

DPW:

1. Director Whitfield requested executive session for the employment history of a certain employee.
2. Director Whitfield requested approval to execute a purchase order in the amount of \$7,377 to The Pump Doctor to perform an upgrade to our fuel farm diesel pumps 1 & 2 (the older version of pumps), replacing the existing old dispenser with a new single pump dispenser utilizing our existing siphon-style suction system. The approval will include taking \$5,000 from the Fuel Farm Capital Reserve Account and the remaining \$2,377 from the Fuel Farm Operation & Maintenance account, leaving balances of \$5,408.95 and \$8,926.30 respectively. If need be, we should also approach our boards (Village, Town, School) getting

approval to pay fuel expenses bi-weekly vs. monthly to keep fuel farm cash flow at a higher balance to cover fuel expenses that sometimes occur twice a month this time of year. He added that the schools are back and they are one of the biggest fuel users. Mayor Shayler asked if, after COVID, would payments return to every 30 days and Director Whitfield agreed, stating this should be a temporary change.

Trustee Monroe made a motion to spend the money (noted above) to get the diesel pumps replaced to work. Trustee Fahs seconded the motion. Carried. Trustee Roeske made a motion to have entities pay fuel expenses biweekly vs. monthly, for a period of three months, then take a look at it again. Trustee Pearson seconded the motion. Carried.

CODE OFFICER:

1. Code Enforcement Officer Wenslow was not present.

ATTORNEY:

1. Attorney Buck was not present.

TREASURER:

1. Treasurer Mullen had nothing to discuss.

On a motion made by Trustee Fahs and seconded by Trustee Monroe, the Board moved out of regular session and into executive session at 6:23 pm. Carried.

On a motion made by Mayor Shayler and seconded by Trustee Roeske, the Board moved out of executive session and into regular session at 6:55 pm. Carried.

Mayor Shayler made a motion for DPW Director Whitfield to contact bidders for the Wastewater Treatment Plant project to inform them that the Village is rejecting all of the bids. Trustee Fahs seconded the motion. Carried.

On a motion made by Mayor Shayler and seconded by Trustee Monroe, the Board moved out of regular session and into executive session at 6:58 pm. Carried.

On a motion made by Trustee Fahs and seconded by Trustee Roeske, the Board moved out of executive session and into regular session at 7:34 pm. Carried.

On a motion made by Trustee Monroe and seconded by Trustee Pearson, the meeting adjourned at 7:34. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Seely, Village Clerk

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