

October 13, 2015-Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees Meeting

Mayor Timothy Maloney opened the meeting at 5:30 pm with Trustees Jerry Golden, Pamela Youngs and Joseph Gould present. Mayor Maloney welcomed the attendees and led the pledge of allegiance.

Trustee Youngs then made the motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of September 22, 2015 and accept them as written with Trustee Gould seconding the motion and Mayor Maloney voting yes. Trustee Golden abstained.

Trustee Brennan arrived.

The Board then reviewed Abstract 05 as follows:

General: \$ 17,217.20 Vouchers 1391-1428

Water: \$ 10,143.57 Vouchers 716-738

Sewer: \$ 6,485.38 Vouchers 716-738

Upon review of the abstract, Trustee Golden made the motion to approve the payments of all vouchers with Trustee Brennan seconding the motion and all voting yes. Mayor Maloney then signed Abstract 05 and approved the Clerk/Treasurer to pay the Abstract.

The DPW department had the following:

- Water Meter at Plant: Three quotes have been received to replace the water meter at the water plant. They are as follows; Aqualogics for \$3650.00 plus \$940.00 install, USAbluebook for \$6275.00 plus the \$940.00 and Koester for \$3985.00 plus the \$940.00. Trustee Gould made the motion to accept the quote from Aqualogics with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- Lettering for the garbage truck: The Board reviewed a concept that was created by Stewart Signs. After review, Trustee Brennan made the motion to accept the proposed lettering for the garbage truck for the quote of \$750.00 with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- Bobcat trade-in: The Board reviewed a quote for the trade-in of the current Bobcat and the new Bobcat. The purchase would be under the NYS contract pricing and would be \$9,292.20. After a discussion, and due to the absence of DPW Superintendent, Marty Mason, the Board tabled and will follow up with Marty at the next meeting to ask further questions.
- Porta-john pickup: The Board stated that they can be picked up at the first available date.

Attendee John DeFrancesco then addressed the Board on sewer issues at his residence. Easement paper work is still not complete for the sewer project work. Mayor Maloney stated that the Village has the Marina easement paperwork, but neither the Village nor Gebo's office has the final for the house property. Mr. DeFrancesco will bring a copy to the Village Office. Also, Mr. DeFrancesco was under the impression that his driveway, which suffered damage due to the sewer project, would have been fixed while the crews were doing paving around the Village. After a lengthy discussion, it was stated that the section of the driveway in question will be removed and repaired and the project will hopefully be complete this fall.

OIC Thomas Streljau then gave the Police Department report as follows:

- The new police car should be at the dealership. No information as to when the Village will get the car.
- Officer Cuddeback is researching for some grants for getting new computers for the department. Grants may no longer be available.
- Parking complaint on Broadway and Market: OIC Streljau and Trustee Brennan met with the home owner. A discussion took place about signage and parking limitations around stop signs and crosswalks. After more discussions, it was stated that it will be revisited at a later date before moving forward with any actions or signage.
- Grant for Law Building garage: A letter has been written requesting a \$50,000 grant. Marty Mason will be hand delivering it to Assemblywoman Addie Russell and OIC Streljau may be getting a cover letter from Sherriff O'Neil to go with the request.
- TIERS: OIC Streljau informed the Board that he has resigned his position on the TIERS Board.
- Dock usage law: The proposed law will be submitted to Gebo's office by next week. There will not be any cross designation included.

Attendee Ed Bender, on behalf of the Town Board, then addressed the Board. He asked the Board about the RFP that was given to the Village to review for the EMS service. After a discussion, the Board has been asked to give any input to the EMS to Mr. Bender as soon as possible.

The Board then reviewed the Treasurer's Report and had no questions or concerns.

Mayor Maloney then addressed "old" business as follows:

- EMS: Nothing new to report.
- Cannon agreement: Nothing new to report.

Mayor Maloney then addressed "new" business as follows:

- Water/Sewer rate: Mayor Maloney did meet with DANC and they require the audit numbers before they can agree to the new rate. The Mayor has an appointment with CPA Libbie Wheeler from Bowers and Co. on October 27, 2015.
- Sidewalk complaint: There was a complaint filed in the sidewalk on Real St. going from the Gouvello St. corner to the River. After a discussion, the sidewalk will be added to the repair/replace list and it will not be completely removed.
- Regional Roundtable: The Village Board has been invited to the Regional Roundtable that will take place Wednesday October 28, 2015 from 5:30-7:30 in West Carthage. After a brief discussion, the Board has decided that at least one Board member should attend and asked all members of the Board to bring their ideas to the October 27, 2015 meeting.
- Form E #37 for the Sewer project: The Board all reviewed the invoices included in Form E #37 for the total amount of \$38,452.59. Trustee Golden made the motion to approve Form E #37 with Trustee Brennan seconding the motion and Trustees Youngs and Gould voting yes. Mayor Maloney abstained. The documents were initialed by the Office of the Auditors and then signed by Trustee Golden.

Trustee Brennan had the following for "new" business:

- While campaigning, there was mention that a bench is no longer located at the end of Murray St. Perhaps this is an item to add to the next budget.
- Blacktop clean-up through the Village? Will be completed this week and all areas will be getting topsoil and grass seed.
- Benevento water line yet? Not sure.
- Clinic meeting date? No meeting date is set yet. Mayor Maloney has been in contact with Tom Carmen and it was stated that the recent clinic news could be a good move for the Cape clinic.
- LWRP: Short discussion and Trustee Youngs stated that she will be contact with the Town to see the status.
- CDC: Trustee Brennan had some concerns addressed to her by a resident that was in attendance at the last meeting held by the committee and the committee approved giving funds to the Improvement League to offset some of the costs associated with the mural that was done at the Ferry. There was a discussion on the processes of the committee. Trustee Youngs also stated that the grant for the proposed pavilion is for \$100,000 not \$50,000 and it is a non-matching grant. They are still waiting for the contract.

Attendee Cindy Edsall then addressed the Board. She had some questions regarding village right of ways and village ownership throughout the Village. After a brief discussion, it was stated that the deeds are the only way to be certain.

Attendee Linda Rowe then addressed the Board about the property that the Village owns on Elm St. that is for the overflow parking for the East End Park. She stated that she has heard that the Village is looking to sell the land and she wanted to remind the Village Board that they submitted a letter to the Board several years ago to have first rights to buy. The Board informed her that the land is not for sale at this time.

Trustee Gould then spoke about the following issues:

- Trustee Gould asked Trustee Brennan if she had any questions along her campaign trail about dissolving the Village. Trustee Gould had calls at home about the issue and he would like to go on record as stating that he would not be in favor of the Village dissolving. Trustee Golden stated that he would not be in favor of that either.
- Audit questions: Trustee Gould would like to go on the record as stating that while the Clerk/Treasurer and the DPW Superintendent have been blamed for many of the findings of the State Comptrollers audit, the blame falls on the Village Board members.

Trustee Youngs then asked about any further paving plans for this fall, maybe Centre St? They will have to check with Marty.

Trustee Youngs then asked the following:

- The CAP(Corrective Action Plan) that the Board needed to do to comply with the State Comptrollers Audit findings. The Clerk will be sending it to the Board within the next day or two for review.
- The dock design from BC&A. Mayor Maloney stated that the Village will not get any invoices until more information about the dock design is received.

At 7:37pm, Trustee Brennan made the motion to adjourn the meeting with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectively submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer