

January 7, 2020- Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

Mayor Jerry Golden opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees Dave Bonney, Pamela Youngs, George Sperry and Robert Ewing present. Mayor Golden welcomed the attendees and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board then reviewed the minutes of the December 12, 2019 regular Board meeting and Trustee Sperry made the motion to accept them as amended with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and Mayor Golden and Trustee Youngs voting yes. Trustee Ewing abstained.

The Board then reviewed Abstract 08 as follows:

General:	\$ 21,8113.06	Vouchers 3168-3198
Water:	\$ 6,355.84	Vouchers 1529-1542
Sewer:	\$200,263.52	Vouchers 1530-1541

Upon review of the abstract, Trustee Ewing made the motion to approve the payments of all vouchers with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes. Mayor Golden then signed Abstract 08 and ordered the Clerk/Treasurer to pay the Abstract.

Attendee Julie Cumming then addressed the Board with concerns that her water/sewer bills are very high. She owns a duplex with and states that she feels her water/sewer bills are higher than her total taxes for her parcel yearly. Mayor Golden stated that the Village is always reevaluating the rates and looking at ways to lower the sewer rates, which are much higher than the water rates. Mayor Golden informed her that the Board will look into her concern.

Attendee Elisabeth Brennan then addressed the Board with thanking the Village Board and DPW for all the help with past Christmas decorating/event season. The committee is looking for new members. She also stated that she would be interesting in serving on the CVDC as a member if there is a spot available.

Attendee Scott Burto then addressed the Board. He reviewed the SEQR he prepared for the police garage project and it was determined that there is no environmental impact on the construction. Trustee Ewing made the motion for Mayor Golden to sign the prepared SEQR with Trustee Sperry seconding the motion and all voting yes. Mr. Burto then updated the Board on the status of the REDI grants and a timeframe of necessary items to submit. Mr. Burto will be working with BC&A for item submission. The Board then reviewed the contract for Mr. Burto, WCP Consultants, to administer the REDI grants. The proposal is for 2% that would be spread out over a two-year time frame. A short discussion took place. Trustee Youngs made the motion for Mayor Golden to sign the contract with WCP Consultants to administer the REDI grants with Trustee Ewing seconding the motion and all voting yes. With the motion, the Board approved the Clerk to add the first payment to be added to Abstract 08 and paid. Mr. Burto also stated the Town Board received a grant for around \$843,000 for Club St area.

Marty Mason, DPW Superintendent, then gave his report as follows:

- The crew has been out plowing a few times.
- Ben Davis has been in the Village trimming trees.
- The crew has taken the rental lift to East End Park to do tree trimming around the shoreline.

- The crew has taken down all the Christmas decorations throughout the Village.
- The crew added several additional recycling collection days between Christmas and New Years eve.
- The solar panels are doing very well and have exceeded the production amount from last year. The allocation of solar credits may have to be reviewed.
- The library has not been informed about grant funding to redo the floor, so the crew will start working on the west-side dock and boat ramp area at East End Park.
- The new water van is all set to go, just waiting on one set of shelving and then will be placed in service. The old water van can be listed as surplus and then can be sold.
- Marty would like a meeting with Trustee Youngs about the pavilion to assist with getting the project moving forward. The project has been sealed up for the winter, but Marty would like the crew to be able to do some work inside. Trustee Youngs will try to get information from 4<sup>th</sup> Coast so the project can proceed. There was also a short discussion on the trusses and Trustee Sperry inquired if different materials can be used. Trustee Youngs will give an update at the next meeting.
  - Trustee Youngs then stated that the housing board has expressed interest in ordering trees for their properties and would like to add on to the Village order, if possible. Marty will be in contact with Wanda as spring approaches.
- Marty did have to call Bill Kirchgessner in for help on Monday. Worked out very well.

Shaun Cuddeback, OIC, gave the police department report as follows:

- There is nothing new to report at this time.
- OIC Cuddeback then submitted a reimbursement request for \$204.12 for computer upgrades he purchased for the police department laptop. Trustee Ewing made the motion to reimburse \$204.12 as an add-on to Abstract 08 with Trustee Sperry seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- OIC will be in touch with Advanced Business Systems about the computer at the department and antivirus that is needed for the laptops.

Mayor Golden then addressed “old” business as follows:

- Lot on James Street: Nothing to report.
- Water Reserve Account: Nothing to report.
- Baichi property: Nothing new to report.
- Fred Mammoliti: Marty is working on.

Mayor Golden addressed “new” business as follows:

- Water Van: Trustee Bonney made the motion to declare the water van as surplus with Trustee Ewing seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- Minimum Wage: Trustee Sperry made the motion to increase the wages necessary to minimum wage rate of \$11.80 per hour with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.
  - Mayor Golden requested that the Clerk research the EDU's for resident Julie Cummings and to also scan and email the information from BC&A about the ideas for East End Park. Mayor Golden will also be out of town January 8-22.

At 6:22pm, Trustee Sperry made the motion to adjourn the meeting with Trustee Ewing seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectively submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer