

April 14, 2020- Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

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

The Board then reviewed the minutes of the March 24, 2020 regular Board meeting and Trustee Sperry made the motion to accept them as written with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and Mayor Golden and Trustee Youngs voting yes.

The Board then reviewed Abstract 11 as follows:

General: \$ 34,402.66	Vouchers 3266-3290
Water: \$ 9,469.93	Vouchers 1580-1588
Sewer: \$ 4,032.35	Vouchers 1580-1586

Upon review of the abstract, the Board also reviewed two add-on vouchers. One to reimburse Marty Mason for \$439.92 for a tool kit purchased for the DPW- account A1640.4 and also one to reimburse OIC Cuddeback for items purchased for the police department for \$470.28-account A3120.4. Trustee Youngs made the motion to approve the payments of all vouchers with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes. Mayor Golden then signed Abstract 11 and ordered the Clerk/Treasurer to pay the Abstract.

The Board reviewed the land use agreement from the CVIL and the 2020 growing season at the Community Garden. Trustee Sperry made the motion to approve the Mayor to sign the agreement with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The Board then reviewed the Bond Agreement Resolution for the REDI funding. The Bond Resolution would be for \$5,440,000. The Mayor read the resolution. A roll call voting took place. Trustee Sperry voting yes. Trustee Youngs voting yes. Trustee Bonney voting yes and Mayor Golden voting yes. Clerk Rupp will sign and forward to Mr. Joseph Russell's office for all the next steps to take place for the bonding.

Mayor Golden gave a DPW report.

- The seawall at East End Park has suffered more erosion due to the more wave action. FEMA has been sent information to fast track the repair at the seawall as it is becoming a liability in its current state. The Village may install snow fence, if FEMA approved, until construction of the wall can take place.
- The crew is working at half staff and maintaining social distancing.
- The crew continues to collect brush.
 - Trustee Sperry stated that the west-side ramp is complete and the rope up to alert of the water levels. He also inquired if the Village needs to barricade the boat ramps. After a short discussion, the ramps won't be barricaded, with the DEC exemption and the safety concerns that would come from barricading it.

Mayor Golden then spoke about the gangplank that has been purchased by the Village and needs to be picked up in Maryland. The Mayor has been looking into shipping or pick-up options. More information to follow.

Mayor Golden inquired about the pavilion project. Trustee Youngs stated that she has spoken to the supplier of the trusses and will call for an update and will follow up with Scott Burto about the budget for the project.

At 6:00 pm, Trustee Sperry made the motion to enter into the public hearing to review the tentative budget with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Mayor Golden reviewed the tentative budgets. The change in health insurance has been a large savings in the budget. The Board reviewed the proposed pay increases. The proposal includes a 2.5% increase for all except for the hourly DPW crew that have been proposed to be increased by \$1.00. The tax rate is proposed to increase by 1.75% from \$6.17 per thousand to \$6.28 per thousand. The sewer fund doesn't require any increase to be able to self-sustaining. The water fund tentative budget includes a \$5.00 per EDU increase, going from \$25.00 per EDU to \$30.00 per EDU. There was no one in attendance and no comments were submitted, via phone or email.

At 6:10pm, Trustee Youngs made the motion to close the public hearing with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Trustee Sperry made the motion to adopt the 2020-2021 budget as proposed with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

OIC Cuddeback spoke briefly on replacing the boater registration box so it is more weatherproof.

At 6:20pm, Trustee Youngs made the motion to enter into executive to discuss a specific employee with Trustee Sperry seconding the motion and all voting yes.

At 6:22pm, Trustee Youngs made the motion to exit executive session with Trustee Sperry seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Mayor Golden made the motion to approve to increase the next payroll insurance buyout payment for Robert Curtis to \$1,000.00 and reduce the rest of the payroll payouts to reach the yearly \$2,500.00 with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

At 6:24pm, Trustee Sperry made the motion to adjourn the meeting with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectively submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer