

August 25, 2020- Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

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

The Board then reviewed the minutes of the August 11, 2020 regular Board meeting and Trustee Sperry made the motion to accept them as written with Trustee Ewing seconding the motion and all voting yes.

DPW Superintendent Marty Mason was excused but Mayor Golden gave a brief update on the DPW. He stated that the roof on the pavilion is complete and the crew has started working on the soffits.

Attendee Jeff Staples, from On the River Construction, then gave a brief update on the trusses at the Pavilion and it is all moving forward. There was a brief discussion on the submitted invoice.

Mayor Golden discussed whether cameras should be installed at the pavilion from STAT. The wires can be run now with the walls are open and three or four cameras can be installed. A short discussion took place and the Board agreed to move forward with the cameras. There was also a discussion on installing a webcam. Trustee Sperry then inquired about overnight parking at East End Park as he saw a few RV's parked for roughly a week. OIC Cuddeback and Board had a short discussion about parking at East End Park and more needs to be done about the parking situation and once the REDI projects are complete a more complete parking area will be defined.

OIC Cuddeback then gave the police department report as follows:

- The Food Pantry director, Rebecca Dowling, has contacted the police about a proposed food drive/giveaway event on Saturday September 19 starting at 10:00am and would serve about 400 families. A discussion took place about the potential logistics of the event. The Fire Department will be contacted to see if they can assist. OIC Cuddeback will contact Ms. Dowling to discuss further. The Board fully supports to event.
- Garage grant: DASNY is now requiring more information after several attempts to contact them.
- Online training and grant writing training completed as well.
- Mayor Golden stated that the Board needs to address and follow all guidelines to get in place the criminal justice reform act and new policies need to be put in place before April 11. The Board will start addressing starting this fall.

Mayor Golden then addressed Jeff Staples once again about the submitted invoice. Mr. Staples stated that \$10,000.00 of the invoice as a partial payment would assist him with his payroll until the full payment can be done at the September 8, 2020 meeting. Mr. Staples and crew still have some work to complete on the brackets. There was a short discussion on what is still left to be completed and who will be doing the work.

Mayor Golden then addressed "old" business as follows:

- Lot on James St.: Nothing new to report, held up further with COVID-19.
- Water Reserves Town/DANC: Nothing new to report.
- Baichi property: The Board is still waiting for the formal proposal from the family.

Mayor Golden the addressed “new” business as follows:

- Kelsey Lane extension: As per the attorney, the Board would have to do a resolution to make the Kelsey Lane portion on Murray St as unused and will not be developed. Upon the approval of the resolution, all adjacent property owners would receive letters to inform and the property would be listed for sale. Upon a short discussion, the Board would like to contact Dan Garcia before moving forward.
- Statue: The individual who owns Island Shadows has a statue that he has donated to the Dive Club. They would like to place it in the East End Park are, in the water. The statue would be laid on the side, so it is not a navigational hazard. The Village cannot give permission but does support the venture.

Trustee Ewing stated that the boaters whom he has spoken to, still speak very highly of the Village’s improvements to the docks. Also, he stated as acting Chamber president, all Chamber events for the rest of 2020 will be cancelled and the Chamber will be meeting with the Town and will meet with the Village about the proposal of the compensation for the newly hired Chamber director after the retirement of the current director. Also, still nothing official from metalcraft if they could possibly return.

Trustee Sperry stated that he had heard from Tom Martilotta and it has been proposed that Cape Vincent needs a fire boat. A short discussion then took place.

At 6:19pm, Trustee Ewing made the motion to adjourn the meeting with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectively submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer