

May 23, 2023- Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

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

The Board then reviewed the minutes of the May 9, 2023 regular Board meeting and Trustee Youngs made the motion to accept them as written with Trustee Ewing seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The Board then reviewed Abstract 013 as follows:

General: \$9,121.03      Vouchers 4500-4505

Upon review of the abstract, Trustee Ewing 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 013 and ordered the Clerk/Treasurer to pay the Abstract.

The Board then reviewed the proposed transfers to reserves as set forth in the 2022-23 budget. Trustee Ewing made the motion to approve the following transactions with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes:

**Sewer Fund:**

Move \$15,000.00 from account 7345(Sewer Savings) to account 9813 (Sewer Repair Reserve) as per budget

**Water Fund:**

Move \$1767.00 from account 9377(Water savings) to account 10016038 – as per water grant agreement and budget

**General Fund:**

Transfer \$10,000.00 from account 5425 (General savings) to account 9812 (DPW Equipment Reserve) as per budget.

Attendee Scott Burto, CVDC, then read through and reviewed each portion of the SEQR form for the LWRP. Upon completion, Trustee Youngs made the motion for Mayor Golden to sign the SEQR with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes. The following resolution was also approved with the Mayor's signature:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village hereby approves and adopts the attached Full Environmental Assessment Form for the Action (Parts 1, 2, and 3); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Determination of Non-Significance on the proposed Action is hereby issued; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the preparation of an environmental impact statement for the Action shall not be required; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby directed to sign the Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 and issue the Negative Declaration as evidence of the Village Board's determination; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Determination of Non-Significance has been

prepared in accordance with SEQRA and the Village Clerk is hereby directed to file, publish and distribute a notice of this Negative Declaration pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.12(a)(1); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

- Ben Davis' crew has been doing tree work in the Village and currently have roughly 8 stumps to grind.
- The flagpole work is complete, the jersey barriers are in place and all the trash cans, benches, tables, etc. are set up in the Village.
- The crew will work to be certain to have all brush and compost collected before the Memorial Day weekend.
- The crew will also be working to fix and replace necessary signs throughout the Village.
- The Sovie property has all the ruts replaced and now Ray will be able to do the mowing at that site.
- Marty would like to start on sidewalks soon and would like to have the work complete by French Festival if possible. Dependent on concrete company.
- The crew is 90% complete with the water curb stop pinpointing in the Village.
- Gareth Hogan will be using some vacation days within the next few weeks. Crew will cover the plants.
- The cattails at the Sewer plants are up 2 feet and doing great.
- There has been an ongoing sewer line issue at Telly's restaurant. Marty has met with the owners and hopefully a plan can be agreed upon soon to help the issue.
- There is still work to be completed at the police garage.
  - Trustee Bonney inquired about the traffic/stop sign pattern along Lake and Real Streets.

Mayor Golden then addressed "old" business as follows:

- Lot on James St.: Mark Gebo has 50-60 letters to send out as one of the last steps of the process.
- REDI update: There is a construction meeting coming up this week and the project is ahead of schedule. At this point, it looks that the long-term financing will range from \$400,000-\$500,000 for the REDI.
- Horne's account: Mayor Golden has been communicating with the attorney for George Horne. By 6/1/23, there will be approximately \$50,000-\$60,000 debt owed to the Village. A proposal is that the Village would absorb the debt and offer a "rent-free" \$10,000 per year option for 10 years and the Village would gain full ownership of the landing. This proposal was passed along to the attorney to be discussed further. No resolution at this time.
- Website: No update.
- Dock lights: The Mayor spoke to the engineers. Village going to hold off on any dimming at this time.
- There was an email stating that the Regional DANC meeting times will be changed.
- The fishing derby was well attended. Only one boat utilized the ramp.

Shaun Cuddeback, OIC, then gave his report as follows:

- Working on more policies for the State that are due by October. Hope to be able to present to the Board next month.
- French Festival: Trustee Stark will be asked to set up a meeting with OIC for road closures, detours, etc. Mayor Golden stated that the paperwork has already been submitted to the DOT.
  - Trustee Ewing stated that the bike parade and run will both be held on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

At 6:00pm, Mayor Golden opened the public hearing to hear public comment/concerns regarding the LWRP. There were no public and no questions, comments or concerns from the Board. At 6:04pm, Trustee Ewing made the motion to close the hearing with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Scott Burto then informed the Board that the North County Community Foundation has grant funding available for non-profits from the County. That information will be shared with all local non-profits.

Mayor Golden then addressed “new” business as follows:

- Engagement letter: The Board reviewed the engagement letter with Bowers & Co. to perform the agreed upon procedures for the Village at a total cost of \$11,400.00. Trustee Ewing made the motion for the Mayor to sign the letter with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- BC&A will be attending the next meeting to discuss landscaping options at East End Park.

At 6:07pm, Trustee Youngs made the motion to adjourn the meeting with Trustee Bonney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer