

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF BELMONT - COUNTY OF ALLEGANY
April 18, 2022

Present: Mayor DeTine, Trustees: Grantier, Schmitt, Evans and Healy.

Absent: 0.

Employees: Richard Hoshal

Public: Casey Jones, Dana Hand, Kier Dirlam and David Gominiak

Mayor DeTine opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

The Board pledged the flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved on a motion by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's.

Kier Dirlam reviewed the 2022 Belmont – Amity Comprehensive Plan Draft. There were some discussions related to State requirements on renewable energy. Kier advised the board to review the plan and if there were any questions or concerns to please contact him.

Motion to approve Court Cash Report made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Grantier and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to appoint David Gominiak as Village of Belmont Justice effective May 1, 2022 until the terms ending date March 31, 2023 made by Trustee Healy 2nd by Trustee Grantier and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the request from Amity Rescue for the use of the Park Circle for a fund raiser to help with the purchase of a new ambulance. The board had a few concerns with the details. Mayor DeTine will address the concerns and discuss them with the board at a later date.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the request from John Butler for permission to hold their 2nd annual walk-a-thon in the Village of Belmont on May 9, 2022. Motion to approve made by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Schmitt and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's.

Richard Hoshal clerk/treasurer presented to the board the Annual Fiscal Stress Designation report provided by the State Comptrollers office. The report stated that the Villages destination has increased from 3.3% to 6.7% the reason for the slight increase is due to lost revenue because of the pandemic. This increase should come back down within the next couple of years.

Mayor DeTine informed the board about AIM Funding through the State, and the Village will receive \$7626.00 the same amount as last year.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that he met with the Town of Amity in reference to repairing the bank along Fairview Ave. (Phillips Creek) The Town of Amity is responsible for the maintenance and they are looking into receiving funding for the repairs. Allegany County Soil and Water has received a \$50,000.00 grant for materials.

Mayor DeTine reviewed information from Rochester Gas and Electric in reference to upgrading street lights to LED Lights. Trustee Grantier will review the information. Mayor DeTine also stated that Steve Fleischman is doing the repairs to the lights on the bridge.

Casey Jones expressed some concerns with the Town of Amity / Village of Belmont Joint Comprehensive Plan. He presented a letter expressing these concerns along with some research on the matters. Mayor DeTine asked the board to read over the letter and take it into consideration when reviewing The Comprehensive Plan.

David Gominiak expressed concerns with solar panels, he is concerned with the chemicals that are used for cleaning these, and how it will effect the soil and how some communities are having power surges and loss of power.

Motion to accept payroll records and pay bills on Abstract #11B made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Grantier and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's as follows: General \$4298.64, Water \$252.423 and Sewer \$62.78.

Dana Hand stated he has been in contact with Kevin Margerum and is pleased with the progress that M.A.C.E. is doing. He also informed the board that he should have more information about Amity Daze next month.

Mayor DeTine discussed the purchase of a new Street Sweeper that has been budgeted for. The Village can purchase one through Sourcewell for \$135,535.00 Motion to purchase made by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Evans and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine discussed funding for paving and repairs needed for the streets in the Village. He is still waiting on a response from Pothole NY funds. He would like to use the money the Village receives from Pave NY and Pothole NY and patch the cracks on Willard Street, along with Repairing the junctions between some Village streets and the State Highway. He stated that the funding the Village receives from Chips would rollover for the next 2 years and use that money towards paving South Street.

Motion to accept the water department monthly pumping report made by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Evans and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's. Mayor DeTine discussed the purchasing of 2 water meters one is needed for the Fire Hall, for the Fire District. The other is needed for the Fire Hydrates. The total amount for the 2 meters is \$1650.00 Motion to purchase made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Grantier and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's.

Trustee Grantier informed the board that he had talked to John Francisco and the Town of Amity had more paper to shred than anticipated so that may have helped the Village meet the limit to hire Iron Mountain Shredding.

Meeting adjourned on a motion by Trustee Grantier, 2nd by Trustee Schmitt and carried on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 no's at 8.50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer L. Cline
Deputy Clerk