

**Village Board Meeting**

**February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Via Zoom at 6:00pm**

<b>Attended:</b>	<b>John Burrell</b>	<b>Mayor</b>
	<b>Doug Bush</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Ed Imhoff</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Caitlin Croft</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Sean Lowes</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Ben Slotman</b>	<b>Engineer</b>
	<b>Richard Stanton</b>	<b>Attorney</b>
	<b>Mary Klahn</b>	<b>Clerk</b>

**Also attended:** Jesse Klahn, Zachary Golley, Job Lowry, Sheila Gallagher, MJ Brown, Kevin Lester, Dave Parker, Richard Ross, Theresa Wagner and Lynn Lazzaro.

**Mayor Burrell called the meeting to order at 6:08pm.**

**Business From The Floor**

Lynn Lazzaro reiterated his request from the past Village Board meeting to have a committee appointed to review the Village's trash law. Ms. Croft added that she is looking for solutions and working together as a committee will help.

**Motion:** by Ms. Croft to form a committee of the following, MJBrown, Lynn Lazzaro, Sheila Gallagher and Caitlin Croft.

**Second:** by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

**Approve minutes – 1/18/2022**

**Motion:** by Mr. Bush to approve the minutes.

**Second:** by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

**January 31, 2022 Financial reports**

**Motion:** by Mr. Bush to accept the reports.

**Second:** by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

#### **Audit of Claims for January 22**

**General-**           **\$47,776.14**

**Sewer-**           **\$38,746.22**

**Motion:** to pay the bills by Ms. Croft

**Second:** by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

#### **Mayor's Report**

##### **1/25/22 Well Head Protection Meeting**

##### **1/26/22 Four Flushers Meeting**

**1/28/22 Senator Borrello Meeting** – This meeting was focused on addressing the traffic issues in the Village. Borrello offered support to conduct a traffic study to find ways to improve the flow.

**2/3/22 Sewer and Water Department Employee Meeting** – Mayor Burrell, Ben Slotman, Jesse Klahn, Bryan Clark, Zachary Golley and Job Lowry met to ensure the daily coverage at the sewer plants and wells. The staff presented a rotating schedule to split the weekends and holidays. Presenting, time and a half pay on Saturday's and double time pay on Sunday's and Holiday's. This includes the salary employee's to be paid additionally to the salary income. Mayor Burrell stated that the numbers will not cost us more than what we are paying now and the plan made sense to him. Mayor Burrell also stated that he was very appreciative to the team for the willingness to come up with a plan that everyone agreed with.

**Motion:** by Mr. Lowes to adopt the above requests from the Water and Sewer Team.

**Second:** by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

**Meeting regarding Cannabis Sales in Ellicottville** – We have a firm interested in conducting cannabis retail sales in the Village. The State is still not ready with regulations to govern retail and consumption of cannabis but expected these regulations in the April to May timeframe.

**Statement's** - from MJBrown, Kim Brown & Chris Tymstra and Kevin Lester will be added at the end of the minutes.

**2/13-2/14 NYCOM Winter Legislative Conference** – Albany – Mayor Burrell stated it was very positive for Ellicottville.

**2/14/22 Planner Committee Meeting** – Discussed possibly hiring a firm. Looking at different options.

#### **Department and Committee Reports for Approval**

## **Planning – Nancy Rogan/Doug Bush-Caitlin Croft/Rich Stanton**

### **Legal**

**Alleyway Abandonment** – Mr. Stanton updated the board that a public hearing is needed for the alleyway abandonment of Village property on Marshall Alley to Madigan's. Mr. Stanton stated that Madigan's would need to get an appraised price for the abandoned property.

**Motion:** to set a public hearing for Alleyway Abandonment located at Marshall Alley to Madigan's for March 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 meeting by Ms. Croft.

**Second:** by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

**Sewer Abandonment** – We should set a public hearing regarding the proposed abandonment of land towards HoliMont near the Tiny Homes Project.

**Motion:** to set a public hearing on March 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 for abandonment of land at Rt 242 near HoliMont if needed by Mr. Bush.

**Second:** by Ms. Croft All ayes Carried

**County Agreement** – Mr. Bush and Mr. Stanton provided an update on the agreement that will fund the Mill Street parking project. Catt. County has signed the agreement and Mayor Burrell is requesting a motion for him to sign the agreement.

**Motion:** by Mr. Bush for Mayor Burrell to sign the County Mill Street Project Agreement.

**Second:** by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

### **Engineering**

#### **Engineering Report**

**Motion:** to accept the Engineering Report by Mr. Bush

**Second:** by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

**Motion:** to accept the DPW Report by Mr. Imhoff

**Second:** by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

**Motion:** to accept the Code Enforcement Report by Mr. Imhoff

**Second:** by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

**Water Project Update** – it is out to bid and openings will be held on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Skate Park Update** – Mr. Lowes provided an update on the Skate Park project and put forth a motion to select a vendor to design and build the park. The committee reviewed two bids and recommended

Grindline Skateparks Inc. as the preferred vendor due to their focus on street style designs for skateboarders, use of local contractors, and experience building parks in the area.

**Motion:** to hire Grindline Skateparks Inc. for the project by Mr. Lowes

**Second:** by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

Grindline will work with the local firms and have a public meeting to listen to opinions.

**Zach Carlson Resignation Letter** – We will be advertising for his position stated Mr. Slotman.

**Motion:** to accept the resignation letter by Mr. Imhoff

**Second:** by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

**James Thoman Resignation Letter**

**Motion:** by Mr. Bush to accept Mr. Thoman's resignation.

**Second:** by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

**Parise Mechanical Change Order** – They are asking for an additional \$1200 to install a vent and flu for the new boiler. Mr. Stanton would like to table until further research can be done.

**Motion:** to table by Mr. Imhoff

**Second:** by Mr. Croft All ayes. Carried

**I & I Study Proposals** – Mr. Slotman recommends MDA to receive the project.

**Motion:** by Ms. Croft for the resolution for agreement for the grant to go to MDA.

**Second:** by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

**Parks – Sean Lowes** – Mr. Lowes commented on the DPW doing a good job on snow removal.

**Beautification – Sean Lowes** – Received a letter this afternoon from Debra Yantomasi and the Alley Katz regarding the timeline for seasonal holiday decorations and will bring an updated decoration schedule to the board.

**Motion:** for the Chamber of Commerce to once again construct a ski boot sculpture on the lawn of the 1887 building and to take down the cutouts by Mr. Lowes.

**Second:** by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

**Sidewalks – Sean Lowes**

Icy but plowed stated Mr. Lowes

## **Special Events – Doug Bush – Caitlin Croft**

### **Mardi Gras Application**

**Motion:** to allow the downtown Washington Street parade from 5 – 7:30 on March 12th by Mr. Imhoff

**Second:** by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

**Equipment – Ed Imhoff** – Talked to the dealer stated Mayor Burrell but no date yet. The buyer of our old truck is requesting it by April.

### **Old Business**

Greer Hill Speed Limit – Still working on it.

### **Correspondence**

NYS Dept. of Public Service

**Motion:** by Mr. Bush to go into executive session.

**Second:** by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

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**Second:** by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

**Motion:** to adjourn at 8:00pm by Mr. Bush

**Second:** by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried