

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF BELMONT - COUNTY OF ALLEGANY  
NOVEMBER 15, 2021

Present: Mayor DeTine, Trustees: Grantier, Frisk and Mapes.

Absent: Trustee Evans.

Employees: Justin Zajicek.

Public: Brock Mapes, Lisa Schmitt, Dana Hand, Adrian Watson, Casey Jones, Azure McCumiskey, Mike Whitney, Deb Burger and Barb Woolston.

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 Fisk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to accept the court cash report made by Trustee Mapes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Frisk and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine discussed the available training through NYMIR insurance. Our insurance company offers online training also.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that the Town of Amity is looking at purchasing a server and would like to include the Village in the purchase.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that he met with the DPW employees this morning and they discussed the need for work email addresses and business cards. Trustee Mapes will check with Southern Tier West on email addresses.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that the Christmas Trees have been ordered.

Motion to accept payroll records and pay bills on Abstract #6A made by Trustee Frisk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's as follows: General \$4,520.77, Fire Department \$62.17, Water \$728.41 and Sewer \$3,347.77.

Dana Hand informed the board that the planning board is reviewing the Village of Cuba zoning ordinance. They would like to complete the comprehensive plan and the amended zoning ordinance at the same time. They will be looking for input from the Village Board. There will be no more presentations from the Alfred students. The joint comprehensive plan committee will meet at the end of the month.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that Diamond Maps will require upgrade of computer equipment for the DPW departments and will be revisited in June. The DPW workers found a heavy-duty lawn roller to use in the Spring. The price is \$250. Motion to purchase made by Trustee Frisk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that the Fire District transition is going well. There will need to be a couple of minor changes to the lease agreement and other than that things look pretty good.

Justin Zajicek informed the board that he interviewed Michael Harrington for part time police officer. Motion to hire made by Trustee Grantier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Frisk and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to close the regular meeting to hold the public hearing made by Trustee Mapes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Frisk and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's at 7:15 PM.

Mayor DeTine reopened the regular meeting at 8:00 PM.

Casey Jones discussed the Federal infrastructure bill signed today and asked if the Village is shovel ready for any projects. Mayor DeTine has received lists from each department for projects.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that there are 35 trees in the Village in need of attention. We will need to request in writing to the NYS DOT the removal of any trees located in the State highway right of way.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that NYS has started the requirement for PFOA testing for the water department. This testing is very expensive and NYRWSA has funding for assistance in paying for the testing.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the repair quote for the sewer plant. The quote includes repair of the UV module and install an electric motor at a cost of \$1050.00. Motion to approve made by Trustee Mapes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Grantier and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that Kevin Baker has been working with Brian at the sewer plant and is doing well with the training. There is now an opportunity to attend licensing school on the Internet. Basic operations cost is \$1100 and lab is \$569. After completion Kevin would be required to work at the plant for 1 year prior to becoming licensed. Motion to approve made by Trustee Mapes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Frisk and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to enter executive session for discussion of personnel made by Trustee Frisk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's at 8:17 PM.

Mayor DeTine reopened the regular meeting at 9:00 PM.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the resignation from Trustee Rod Evans. The board will need to find a replacement for appointment.

Trustee Grantier would like to include Diamond Maps in the DPW SOP's.

Meeting adjourned on a motion by Trustee Grantier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mapes and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard J. Hoshal  
Clerk/Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1 2021  
OPTING OUT OF  
CANNABIS DISPENSARIES AND LOUNGES  
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Mayor DeTine opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM.

Mayor DeTine reviewed the local law.

Adrian Watson is against opting out. It's going to happen whether you opt out or not. It would help other businesses in the Village.

Justin Zajicek stated that the local government would control public consumption.

Mayor DeTine discussed the cost of licensing.

Adrian Watson asked if it could be grown in a garden. No answer was available.

Deb Burger feels that opting out before regulations are in place is not a good idea. She has witnessed the benefit in a small community. She asked if there was any advantage to opting out.

Mayor DeTine is concerned that the law from the state is not complete yet.

Trustee Mapes stated that opting in gives concern for what the state may add to the law.

Trustee Grantier stated that the deadline is the true issue. This is a big decision to be made without being provided complete information.

Casey Jones stated that the legislature put this together just a few hours prior to adoption. The true reason behind the law is to do away with petty crime history and of course revenue. The legislature has provided very wide power to the board that will oversee this. He feels that opting out is the only choice. The village will have no control without opting out. Drug use is an ongoing issue.

Trustee Mapes received a report from Trustee Grantier from Colorado and there was no significant increase in use among youth.

Mayor DeTine explained that you can have dispensaries and opt out of lounges.

Brock Mapes stated that not having a dispensary could increase the chance of driving under the influence with having to travel to purchase. He feels the village would have some control over a business in the village.

Mayor DeTine stated that yes the unknown is a concern with the time frame for action allowed. There is a lot to look at and discuss prior to making a decision.

Lisa Schmitt stated that if you opt out now you can opt-in in the future. If you opt in now you are stuck. She feels that it will add burden on law enforcement.

Adrian Watson stated that you can gift an individual up to 3 ounces. He talked about sticker stores skirting the law.

Justin Zajicek stated that they recently changed the definition of a sale to fix these types of problems.

Motion to close the public hearing made by Trustee Mapes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Grantier and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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