

PRESENT: Mayor Youmans, Trustees Laureen Tackman, Christine Schreiber, Scott Williams and Joe Domachowske, Zach Avery and Dale Mussen

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Youmans at 6:30 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT PURCHASES: The Mayor began the discussion stating that the board was here to help the Fire Department, not to tell them what to do. The role of the Volunteer Department has changed, responses have changed from fire to other rescues. The Department is doing a great job and we want to support and encourage and work with the Fire Department. The department needs to look at equipment differently. Fire Chief Zack Avery presented the following information: Every 10 years the department purchases new equipment. The last purchase was in 2004 and the remaining \$60,000 will be paid off in Feb. 2014. One piece of equipment the dept. has is a 1995 Freightliner tanker #451, it has approx. 30,000 miles. The department is looking to purchase a new truck to replace the 1999 GMC and the 1991 mini pumper. Chief Avery stated that the trucks are worth only about \$5,000 or \$6,000 each. The proposed vehicle they would like to purchase would be an king cab rescue/pumper truck with an approx. cost of \$200,000. It has an additional feature of CAFS foam at of cost of \$25,000 that produces compressed foam that makes the foam "wetter" and a better fire-fighting tool. There is a \$1,000 cost yearly to maintain this. This truck would meet the requirement for a reserve truck and meet ISO requirements and help keep insurance cost down. The truck cost would be approximately \$44,000 a year and be paid off in 5 years. This purchase would allow the department to bank some money to save money for a future purchase.

Chief Avery stated the department is torn as they have an obligation to Oneida Lake and the Sylvan Beach has a Brunswick Boston Whaler that is in the shop so Cleveland is covering the beach right now. We are on full mutual aid to Sylvan Beach and our boat is not exactly a fire boat. It was purchased in 2000 and the motor is getting weak. If we could purchase a boat for about \$20,000 - \$25,000 that would be great. We need a safe boat to operate on the lake.

Chief Avery also stated we currently have close to \$20,000 in reserve and he wants to grow it. Discussion about fundraising followed and the possibility of grants. Cleveland roughly covers half or three quarters of the lake with mutual aid. The mini pumper can be a 10 year truck and the new one will go on EMS calls, the department has had 84 calls as of this meeting this month. There was discussion regarding the turning one of the old trucks into the brush truck to replace the current one that is a 1968. The board inquired as to the need to have equipment inspected. The state says fire equipment doesn't have to be inspected, but our contract with the town of Vienna says we do. Further discussion regarding the two black trucks and their longevity and abilities. The purchase of the new truck would allow it to get into smaller roads and go to structure fires and travel these smaller roads in bad weather.

The Chief stated if a good used boat comes up we should look to purchase it with reserves if necessary. The Mayor stated there is additional money available in the budget, as the Worker's Comp was budgeted at \$22,000 and it's only \$6630. He would also like to spend \$4,000 on a trailer for equipment and purchase 2 sets of turnout gear (\$2,000 each) as well as 3 air bottles. The bid process will need to be followed to purchase equipment and there is the right to reject any bid as well.

GARBAGE SERVICE: Discussion followed regarding how many years a contract for garbage pick up would be for any hauler. The Mayor would like to see a 2 year contract. What day of the week pick up would be would be determined at a later date. Also discussed was prevailing wage and if we hired a private contractor would they need to pay prevailing wage. The advantage for any hauler is the village would be collecting the fees and they would always get paid. The Village will request bids, have a public hearing and see where it goes.

SUMMER EMPLOYEES: The Mayor stated Matt Martin had working for the Village, but just took a better job. Rod would like to hire someone to take his place. Scotty Williams, Jr. will replace Matt for the rest of the summer. He is an asset to the Village and as a part of the fire department he will be available to respond to calls if necessary. It is important to find someone who is best suited for the job. The village had eliminated 1 full time position, but we still need work done and workers to do it. We have Dan Lewis and a retired Camden DPW worker, Randy Blowers, with his water license to help out. There are several projects that need attention and having these guys will get the job done. Having part-time employees allows Rod and Zach some down time as well as keeps the overtime costs down and we are not paying benefits. The Mayor made a motion to approve the hiring of these workers, Anthony Scott Williams, Jr., Clyde "Danny" Lewis, and Randy Blowers, second by Trustee Tackman, all in favor. This will allow for flexibility to get work done.

INSURANCE: The Mayor has been inquiring about supplemental insurance for the firemen. We are still awaiting information. The worker's comp. coverage is the same everywhere but we need something to cover the firemen in case of an injury and job loss like what happened to the fireman in Amboy who lost a very high paying job and is now living only on worker's comp. The Mayor feels very strongly that the village needs to protect its firemen.

VANDALISM IN THE VILLAGE: The board discussed purchasing surveillance cameras to catch anyone vandalizing the park. The board would like to have a curfew at the park to curb some of the problems. Mayor Youmans commented we need community involvement and perhaps a neighborhood watch. Cameras are a must and we need adequate lighting in order for the cameras to record any activity. The board needs to take action on this. Also mentioned was contacting law enforcement to ask any local officers to please drive thru the village to monitor any activity. There is also much concern regarding people running stop signs.

Mayor Youmans made a motion to adjourn at 8:30pm, second by Trustee Tackman, all in favor.