

PRESENT: Mayor Norman Youmans, Trustees Joseph Domachowske, Christine Schreiber, , Lauren Tackman, Fire Chief Zach Avery, Randy Blowers, Cathy Kline, Rod Batte, Dan Lewis, Clyde Lewis, Paul Baxter, Roy Reehil
Absent: Trustee Scott Williams

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: Resident Randy Blowers commented about the traffic issue at the intersection of Rt. 49 and Division Street by the Post Office. He stated there have been several near accidents due to the cars pulling out onto Division Street by bypassing the corner. He asked about a no parking sign but the Village Board does not feel this would address the issue. It is a problem area that people need to be careful entering and exiting.

LEGISLATOR'S REPORT: Roy Reehil stated the Oswego County Tourism board is looking for events to put on their winter calendar. He also stated that there is a NYS law 485-a providing tax credits for mixed use buildings. This could benefit someone who purchased Cleveland Elementary School. It provides a 10 year tax break. Williamstown has passed this already and if the worst happens with the sale of Cleveland, at least it would be an incentive for a buyer. He stated the Industrial Development Agency sets this up and due to several schools in our county being closed, a mixed use building can be an attractive option. We also need to think about what we the Village to look like in the future, whether its enhancing the dock or the trails. Cleveland has water and sewer and with the possibility of natural gas and high speed internet in the future, we need to have a plan in place. Mayor Youmans asked why a mixed use building, and Mr. Reehil stated that it is modeled after a successful state program, The Tailwater Lodge is an example of a school being turned into something beautiful, even if it is no longer a school. Mr. Reehil also stated he spoke with the DEC regarding the dock. He said they didn't realize how deep it was and it will cost more money than they anticipated, so it is back to the drawing board for now. He stated that with this delay, perhaps we can incorporate more ideas for the lakefront to tie together with this. Trustee Tackman wondered how the DEC didn't know the depth. We need to make sure the money appropriated for this project doesn't get lost. We need to shore up the dock and spend the money here. He also spoke with a representative from Senator Ritchie's office and they would like to know what is going on with the water and sewer projects. The Mayor stated that we have an upcoming meeting with the engineers next week to get an update.

DPW REPORT: DPW Superintendent Batte gave the following report. They have been hauling sludge, mowing, cleaning the drying beds, repairing a water leak at TJ's restaurant. They have also changed the electric hook-ups to Mr. Hickey's and Amazing Grace Church grinder pumps due to a property status change and changed a pump at St. Mary's Church. Mr. Batte also stated they will be running a drainage line down to the creek to alleviate the drainage issue at Hamacher's residence at the corner of Center and Caswell. He stated they have also cleaned the #2 tank and installed bubblers. They are also fixing the fuel tank on the plow truck to be ready for winter. Mayor Youmans commented that he had called the State DOT regarding the drainage issue at Jim Pacific's residence on St. Rt. 49, but has not gotten a reply yet. Mr. Lewis asked whether the homeowner on Center St. is paying for the drain? The Mayor commented that we need proper drainage and ditching to be done all around the village in order to solve this problem. The issue is that these drains have failed over the years and need to be replaced. The Mayor stated we are just ditching along the road and the taxpayer pays one way or another as either we use more chemicals when the run-off goes to the plant or we have proper drainage. Zack Avery commented that the same type of work was done on Bridge Street. The water needs to have some place to go.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Avery read the monthly report. He also reported that mini pumper bid has been awarded and we will be getting a new 2015 HME mini pumper. The new EMS truck is also on order and we will have anticipated delivery on Oct. 15, 2014 and it will be a 2015 Ford F250. He also stated we have 8 personnel attending the CFR class in Constantia that starts Sept. 15th and that there is a bill in the vouchers for text books for this class. They are \$99.95 each through North Shore Ambulance. A resident inquired if these can be used by other members at another time and the Chief responded that they could. Chief Avery reported that according to the Fire Coordinator, the repeater was to be installed 2 months ago, but it is still not done. He stated that Fire Department will not have to have it fixed at their own expense and have the pagers reprogrammed to accept the calls. He stated that 10 out of 20 pagers from Oneida County work and that none of the Oswego County pagers work. Mr. Reehil stated he put pressure on the county, but the coordinator hasn't done the work. Chief Avery is very frustrated as the Coordinator is not doing his job and we pay County taxes and need to get something in return. He has the events documented. He also stated that at this point some of the firemen may not know there is a fire call unless they get it on their phone. Mr. Reehil stated he will get this taken care of. We don't get enough at this end of the County. Chief Avery stated that the items that were put on Auctions International are moving along great and it was a good idea to put them online. A.I. took the pictures and you pay a premium to them (approx. 10%) to do it, but you get a better price this way. Mayor Youmans accompanied the Chief to the Town of Vienna meeting to ask for a 3 year contract with a 1% increase each year for the Fire Department. The Town of Vienna was very happy with the 3 year contract. Mayor Youmans commented that the Town

of Vienna has been very helpful to the Village and has even offered their trucks if we needed them for paving. We have also sent a request to the Town of Constantia for the same and hopefully we will hear soon. Other changes to the Vienna contract are quarterly reports to PESH and drill calls will now be annually rather than quarterly. Mayor Youmans made a motion to accept the agreement with the Town of Vienna for fire protection services in the amount of \$81,198.00 for 2015, \$82,020.00 for 2016 and \$82,830.00 for 2017, second by Trustee Tackman, all in favor.

PAUL BAXTER: Mr. Baxter reported on that after meeting with the Tourism Committee we should look at setting a meeting to discuss grants for the Village. He also stated that he has a copy of the checklist on fiscal oversight that he received at the June 16th meeting. He stated there is an upcoming budget workshop and multi-year financial planning meeting that the Village may be interested in attending. There is also a 4 hour site-plan review class on 9/25 for planning board members. Given that the Village Board currently acts as this board, this would fulfill the training requirements necessary. On 9/30 at 6:30pm there will be the 5 year strategic planning meeting in Redfield. The entire board is welcome to attend.

CODE OFFICER REPORT: The Mayor read the code officers report. 1 pool permit, 15 field inspections and 37 septic inspections. He has also completed his 24-hour inservice training.

DOG CONTROL REPORT: The Mayor reported on the incident on Bridge Street where a dog was killed by another dog. It is going to court.

SPIRIT COMMITTEE: Joni Hinds submitted her report and was read by Trustee Tackman. She highlighted the 9/11 Remembrance and thanked the Village employees for their help as well as Nancy Griesmyer and Mike Tylee for their assistance. The Garage Sale day on 9/13 was a cold and rainy day but several people participated and there was a lot of traffic in the Village. The Cleveland calendar promotes events for local businesses, churches and organizations. The final event of the year will be Light Up The Park on November 29 and the decorating contest will be in December.

YOGA: The Mayor stated that a group will be holding Yoga at the Village Hall twice a week, Wednesday evenings and Friday mornings. He also mentioned that the summer rec program went very well this year and we had a good park director this year.

TREASURERS REPORT: Trustee Domachowske reviewed the Treasurer's report and found everything to be in order. He stated we have quite a bit in water reserves. The Mayor stated he would like to utilize some of these funds to replace our pick-up truck. Zack took it to see what we could get for a trade and it was only worth \$4,000. We can purchase on state bid with a plow for about \$28,000. If the public were to purchase the same vehicle it would be about \$36,000 without the plow. Resident Dan Lewis inquired about the surplus in the water fund and the Mayor responded that this has built up over 20 years and the Village has planned ahead. \$170,000 is not a lot if anything major were to occur. If the proposed water project goes through, we may need to spend some of these reserves before we receive any grant money also. The Mayor made a motion to use a maximum of \$30,000 from the water reserve fund to purchase a new truck for the DPW, second by Trustee Schreiber, all in favor.

PAY BILLS: Trustee Domachowske inquired about the fire company's utility account and where we stood with looking at their budget. Trustee Schreiber is working with the fire department. The Mayor made a motion to approve abstract #4, vouchers 144-194, second by Trustee Domachowske, all in favor.

DISCUSSION: The question was raised as to what we gain by having a fire company? The company supplies the manpower and when they are not on a call they are the responsibility of the president of the company, and when on a call, the responsibility of the chief. They must also obey all NYS V&T laws as well. Trustee Tackman asked do we even have to have a company? Chief Avery responded that other villages in NYS own their own fire company and they don't cost as much to run. The Mayor stated that the office, the DPW and the Fire Department have all saved money over the last couple of years and he believes there is money to be saved at the Fire Company also. If the Village took it on, the DPW could maintain the grounds. We are looking to spend the taxpayers money efficiently and they need to be secretive and show how their money is being spent. Chief Avery sits down with the Clerk and goes through the Department's bills and we see where every dollar is spent, but we don't know about the Company. Donations go to the Company, not to the Department. Resident Clyde Lewis inquired if we are insured if someone is living at the fire department? The Chief stated the insurance covers bunk-in residency which is 48 on and 24 off, but not actually living there. Mr. Lewis stated that everyone has to pay their own utilities and this person is not doing so.

Mayor Youmans inquired as to where the deed to the Fire Department? Chief Avery stated it is not at the fire house and that he does not have a fireproof safe in which to keep such documents. The Mayor commented that any and all documents pertaining to the Department/Company, ie: checks, deeds, important documents should all be under one roof at the Department.

FIRE TRUCK: The representative from HME was present to sign the papers for the new truck. The total amount with the UL testing is \$214,154

MOTION TO ADJOURN: The Mayor made a motion to adjourn at 8:25pm, second by Trustee Tackman, all in favor.