

Village of Cleveland Board Meeting 6:00PM November 13, 2018

PRESENT: Mayor Laureen Tackman, Trustees Christine Schreiber, John Scatena, Robin Wilson, Dave Donovan, Dan Lewis, Joe Pawlowski, , Shaun House, Paul Baxter, John, Joni and David Hinds, Cathy Kline, Roy Reehil, Mike Davis, Levi Currier

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Tackman at 6:00 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS: Mayor Tackman made a motion to move \$2,104.02 from fund balance to unallocated insurance accounts A1910.4 \$701.34, FX1910.4 \$701.34 and G1910.4 \$701.34, and move \$16,000 from fund balance to A7110.2 for the cost of the Gazebo replacement from insurance payment from last budget year, second by Trustee Scatena, all in favor.

PAY BILLS: Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve Abstract #6, vouchers 250-303 for \$102,937.26, second by Trustee Wilson, all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Cathy Kline inquiring where the street lights are going on Gale Rd., she would like one in front of her house. Mayor Tackman stated they will criss cross Gale Rd. on the Town and Village sides.

DPW REPORT: This is an overview of the month, not intended to be a minute by minute account of the DPW. Mayor Tackman read the report submitted by DPW Supt. Zack Avery.

- Completed meter pit survey for water project
- Hauled 3 loads of millings to fire station for the driveway
- Installed 60ft. of culvert pipe and ditched 74 Martin Road
- Met with Dave Hine from Slack Chemical for polymer testing for Waste Water, (Sludge de-watering) and ultimately changed to a new polymer
- Hauled 40 loads of road sand
- Repaired clarifier return box at waste water plant
- Flooded drying beds
- Switched Kodiak from dump truck to plow truck
- Levi and Tom went to Morrisville water class
- Met with BCA and DEC to go over wetlands for water project
- Took Western Star to Tracy for warranty items and maintenance
- Crew took Ground Force Training for snow plow training at the Village Hall with other municipalities
- Began picking up leaves with the Town – had to make a couple repairs to the leaf vacuum
- Took a weeks vacation - Zack

Levi Currier stated the Ground Force Training was good for the legal aspects but as far as practical training, it was lacking, it was more for highway situations. They will be doing one more round of leaf removal, but there is a large hole in the tube that needs to be repaired.

WATER PROJECT UPDATE: Mayor Tackman read the following update submitted by BCA: The design is progressing along nicely. We met with the tank manufacturer and Zack last week to review the site and any potential concerns that they have for access or constructability. Luckily, they did not indicate any major concerns. We reviewed our site design with them and they are providing assistance in determining the site layout and tree removal needed for the work. We also reviewed the meter sizes with Julie and Zack last week.

We initially planned to submit documents to the health department for approval in mid-November. However, as a result of the conversation with the tank manufacturer late last week, we felt it was necessary to push back the submission to the health department to the end of November. This will allow us to make the design documents as complete and accurate as possible prior to submission which will hopefully reduce the review time with the department. Although the submission has been pushed back slightly, the remainder of the schedule remains the same with bidding in the winter in preparation for a spring construction start.

DOG CONTROL REPORT: Trustee Wilson read the report submitted by Clayton Conover: It has been very slow the last few months, which is a good thing. There was one call in the last month. It was for a dog running at large. A warning was given to the owner as this was a first time offense. I have received no complaints since speaking to the owner. We did have a NY State inspection this month. This happens every year. This is a two part inspection; one for the Dog Control Officer and one for the Dog Holding Facility. I passed the Dog Control Officer inspection which basically just checks that all dogs that are picked up are not released until licensed and that all fees are processed per the Village law. The dog holding facility inspection did not pass this year. Normally it always passes with rave reviews, however this year we did get a new inspector that expected a lot more from the facility. Because I do several different Towns the report may seem larger than what one would expect, however for the Village they were very minor fixes that are already mostly done. I will be contacting the Inspector within the next week to ask her to come out and reinspect. I have no concerns that it will not pass at that time.

CODE REPORT: William Hamacher gave the following report: 1 building permit (74 Martin Rd. pole barn), 9 building inspections, 1 violation letter, 22 follow up violation letters for junk vehicles, 4 junk vehicle violations in compliance, 14 building permits closed out and c/o and c/c issued. (c/o – certificate of occupancy and c/c certificate of compliance) I also attended a code training class on 10/24 in Sandy Creek for solar farms and concerns with Amish workers compensation issues. I also had an issue with junk violation and animal issues with no zoning.

Trustee Schreiber inquired when the last time St. Mary's Church was inspected? There was a sleep over there and she was concerned about this given it has been vacant so long. It was last inspected when Head Start was there. Land Surveyor Dave Bardoun is preparing the paperwork for a subdivision of the church property and rectory. Trustee Donovan asked if TJ's Restaurant grease trap has been installed and inspected and it has been. Mr. Hamacher reported he has been researching farm animals in the village. We would need to have an actual Animal Control Officer to deal with these issues. There are options such as permit fees for animals and limiting the number of chickens, etc. Trustee Scatena and Mr. Hamacher will continue to work on this.

FIRE CHIEF'S VEHICLE POLICY: Mayor Tackman stated our attorney reviewed the policy and recommends using it, although it's not mandatory. Much discussion followed as to who should or shouldn't be allowed in the vehicle. Trustee Donovan feels they should be allowed to have riders in the vehicle as otherwise it would prevent them from responding to calls and we would miss out on having the best response to an emergency if they can't have a rider with them. Chief House stated they would abide whatever the Board decides, but these calls are time sensitive and seconds can count. Trustee Donovan and Mayor Tackman believe they should use their discretion and we have a level of confidence in their decision. This will be discussed further.

TUG HILL REPORT: Paul Baxter gave the following report: The Tug Hill Commission celebrated its 45th anniversary on Thursday, November 8, at the Grape N Grog in Camden. There will be a presentation on issues concerned with the Emerald Ash Borer in Adams the their municipal building, 3 South Main Street, tomorrow morning starting at 8:30 a.m., weather permitting. The village web site is up to date.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Fire Chief Shaun House gave the following report: I would like to have Glen Benjamin accepted as Fire Captain. He has been serving as such since the position has been vacant. He was the Senior Lt. and has served the department well since. This has been discussed by the chief Officers and this is what we feel is best. Mayor Tackman asked if he is disabled, and the Chief stated he is not. Mayor Tackman then made a motion to accept Glen Benjamin as Captain, second by Trustee Wilson, Trustees Donovan and Scatena, yes, Trustee Schreiber, Abstain. Motion carried.

I would like to sell the following surplus equipment: Small equipment no longer needed: rope bags, outdated radios, pagers, 6 tires from 431, and the air boat bought from North Bay. They feel it is not a practical vessel and they feel they can get the \$500 they bought it for and no money has been put into this. Mayor Tackman made a motion to sell the equipment, second by Trustee Donovan, all in favor.

We would like the Village to accept a \$5,000 grant for equipment, this is a pay first and then be reimbursed. If approved we would purchase a battery positive pressure fan and 2 suit case lights. Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve the grant application, second by Trustee Wilson, all in favor.

He reported the following accomplishments in October:

- We have ordered 10 new pagers to replace the ones that no longer work.
- Spoken to Oneida County and we are expecting to start using the new radio system in June of 2019.
- Have been working on getting old members back to the station and trying to get new members. There will be a committee formed to do this in a practical and efficient way in January.
- Have been training with Contantia fire dept. and North Shore ambulance in the past few

months.

- 4wr1 has been taken out of the water and winterized and put in storage for the year.
- Both chief's vehicles have been purchased. The North Bay truck is in service and the escape is receiving wiring now and is expected to be in service within a week.
- Received old millings from the DPW from the Sand St. project and they have been spread in the parking lot by Mike Davis. Thanks to the DPW and all those who helped.

FIRE TRUCK COMMITTEE: Station Chief David Hinds as part of the truck committee spoke about the new truck the department would like to purchase. They met with 4 manufacturers and only 1 met all of their requirements (Rose & Bauer). The next step is to go to bid but there is an alternate process, HGAC which allows you to purchase this way rather than the bid process (it's like a state bid). They are fine tuning the spec now. This truck will compliment our fleet and will take the place of one of the Pierce trucks and in the future the 1993 tanker. They want to return to the 10 year replacement policy that they had previously had. They bought the Pierces and changed the rotation of the 10 year policy. This new truck has an overbuilt chassis that will be kept for 25 years and will go to MVA's and structure fires. The salesmen from Rose and Bauer spoke about the HGAC/bid process. With the HGAC there is a \$2,000 fee but some vendors such as Sourcewell pay it for the municipality. There are several ways to pay for this truck, lease, BANS, etc. The committee has done their research and the truck has been speced. The Village Board has to agree to purchase the truck. The turn around time is 13 months. Representatives from Rosenbauer were on hand to discuss the truck and answer questions. It is a Freightliner 4 door cab and chassis, has a bigger motor and enough HP for the size of the truck. With it not being custom, parts can be purchased from NAPA. Body will be undercoated yearly. It is longer than any truck we have, and they had concerns with the size, but have other vehicles to get down smaller drives, such as the mini pumper. This truck is designed to pump a large volume of water. Why do we need this truck? This truck will bring water and tools to a fire and the other Pierce trucks are 25 years old. Our trucks cannot carry as many tools or water as this can, due to limited space and water capacity. Trustee Schreiber asked if they plan to sell a truck and David responded yes, the 1993 Pierce first and then the tanker eventually. They are moving in a new direction and this truck carries more water and can be operated with less people. They believe a 10 year lease is the best option to purchase in the event we lose a fire contract with one of the towns, the lease can be restricted, but it's your vehicle at the end of the lease. The cost of the truck is approx. \$430,000. Current pricing goes up December 1st and we would like a decision by 12/15/18. The approx. annual cost would be \$45,000. The Board will discuss and get back to the department. Mike Davis handed out an updated utility budget and reported that the department has gained 5 new members, some old and some new. They are working on getting their "house" in order to keep members.

LEGISLATOR'S REPORT: Legislator Reehil stated that they have kept the County budget to a 0% increase. They are doing a lot more with a lot less. He has been helping the fire department with the radio issues and he also brought a copy of the old farm animal law for reference for anyone who wanted to review.

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: Will be held at the Village Hall, Saturday, November 24, 2018 at 6:00pm and the Community Chorus will be singing and Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive

on Ostrowski's antique fire truck and the girl scouts will be serving cookies and Toys for Toys will provide gifts. The Gazebo will be decorated by John and Joni Hinds.
Next Village Board Meeting Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 6:30pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Tackman made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter at 7:45pm, second by Trustee Donovan.

OPEN MEETING: The Mayor made a motion to leave Executive Session and go back into the regular board meeting, motion carried.

APPROVE FIRE CHIEF VEHICLE POLICY: Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve the proposed Fire Chief's Vehicle Policy (copy on file at the Village Hall) with the 3rd paragraph being removed and with the right to modify at any time, second by Trustee Donovan, all in favor. At 8:15pm, Mayor Tackman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Donovan, all in favor.