

PRESENT: Mayor Laureen Tackman, Trustees John Scatena, Robin Wilson, Eric Cartier, Dave Donovan was absent. No members of the public were present.

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

Since there were no members of the public present for public comment, Mayor Tackman made a motion to pay abstract #8, vouchers 349-387 for \$48,880.25, second by Trustee Wilson, all in favor.
The following resolutions were presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 1

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A VILLAGE OF CLEVELAND FAIR HOUSING PLAN AND DESIGNATING A VILLAGE OF CLEVELAND FAIR HOUSING OFFICER

By: Mayor Laureen Tackman

Seconded by Trustee Eric Cartier

WHEREAS, the Village of Cleveland is a recipient of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding through the United States Department of Homes and Community Renewal, administered by the New York State Governor’s Office for Small Cities; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations governing the Community Development Block Program require that the Village of Cleveland is responsible for taking specific actions to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) practices in the Village of Cleveland; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that it is the policy of the Village of Cleveland to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap or disability, or familial status or national origin, and that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services, because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability, is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Housing Law); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Cleveland will undertake the following AFFH actions within one (1) year of the award of CDBG funds:

1. Display fair housing posters and distribute fair housing materials prepared by New York State, the municipality, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), or fair housing organizations to community residents, landlords, real estate professional and lenders;
2. Hold an annual public meeting to address fair housing issues and obtain community input;
3. Elected officials, municipality staff in charge of planning, zoning, building, housing, community and economic development, and their third-party consultants attend and online fair housing training seminar; and be it further

RESOLVED, that David Donovan, Village, Trustee of the Village of Cleveland, shall be designated as the Fair Housing Officer for the Village of Cleveland for the 2021 Fiscal Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the position of Fair Housing Officer shall be renewed annually.

RESOLVED, that the Village Board may, on its own initiative or on petition, amend, supplement, or repeal the provisions of this resolution in conformity with applicable rules and regulations and in their interpretation and application, the provisions of this resolution shall be held to be minimum requirements, adopted for the promotion of the public health, morals, safety, or the general welfare. Whenever the requirements of this resolution are at variance with the requirements of any other lawfully adopted rules, regulations, or ordinances, the most restrictive, or that imposing the highest standards, shall govern; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)SS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that I the undersigned Clerk of the Village of Cleveland, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in my office, and which was passed by the Village Board of the Village of Cleveland on the 12 day of January, 2021, a majority of all the Board Members voting in favor thereof, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Village of Cleveland this 12 day of January 2021.

Julie Simpson Village Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A VILLAGE OF CLEVELAND SECTION 3 COORDINATOR

By: Mayor Lauren Tackman

Seconded by Trustee John Scatena

WHEREAS, the Village of Cleveland is a recipient of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding through the United States Department of Homes and Community Renewal, administered by the New York State Governor's Office for Small Cities; and

RESOLVED, that Eric Cartier, Village, Trustee of the Village of Cleveland, shall be designated as the Section 3 Coordinator for the Village of Cleveland for the 2021 Fiscal Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the position of Section 3 Coordinator shall be renewed annually.

RESOLVED, that the Village Board may, on its own initiative or on petition, amend, supplement, or repeal the provisions of this resolution in conformity with applicable rules and regulations and in their interpretation and application, the provisions of this resolution shall be held to be minimum requirements, adopted for the promotion of the public health, morals, safety, or the general welfare. Whenever the requirements of this resolution are at variance with the requirements of any other lawfully adopted rules, regulations, or ordinances, the most restrictive, or that imposing the highest standards, shall govern; and be it further

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CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Mayor Tackman read the following report submitted by William Hamacher: 4 new building permits, 6 property violations, 6 construction and work inspections, 4 property violation re-inspections. The end of the year report states that 31 new building permits were issued in 2020, and 25 of those permits are closed, and 6 remain open. There were 4 fire inspections in 2020.

TUG HILL REPORT: Paul Baxter submitted the following report:

The Tug Hill Commission offices are still operating at a 50% occupancy level, with a schedule with Watertown-based staff where at any given time, half of the staff is in the Watertown office is in the office, and the rest are still working from home. Actual occupancy may be lower depending on need, as Tug Hill staff operate to minimize spread of COVID-19 during this period of transmission and infection on the upswing with colder weather. Commission staff continue to be available for meetings with your municipality.

The Governor’s executive order allowing remote meetings and public hearings (via means such as Zoom) has been extended through January 29, 2021. If you have any upcoming meetings where that may be a help to you. I can facilitate a Zoom meeting with a little advance notice. Advance notice will also help with figuring out the logistics of notification and how to conduct the meeting via Zoom, either completely or with Zoom as an additional method of attendance and participation.

- At the November 13, 2020 meeting of the North Shore Council of Governments, the council adopted an updated intermunicipal agreement. This is the agreement that NorCOG is based on, and must be reviewed and extended every five years – and it was last done in 2015. The agreement (attached) is exactly the same as the 2015 agreement except for the date of adoption by the council. Would you please review it and consider adopting it at this or an upcoming village board meeting? I’d be happy to discuss any comments or questions about it if you would like to do that before your decision and action.
- We are still seeking contractors to assist in meeting coverage in the North Shore area, so if you have anyone in mind who might be able and interested in doing this, we’d be happy to hear of potential candidates.
- The Tug Hill Commission conducted a webinar on the required public employer health emergency plans on Tuesday, December 29, and the webinar is now available via a link on the Tug Hill web site and via the Tug Hill YouTube channel.
- Speaking of the Tug Hill web site, in response to comments and suggestions received, it has been updated and reorganized to make it easier to find the information you’re looking for there. Check out www.tughill.org to see what it looks like now!

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Mayor Tackman read the report submitted by Chief Shaun House: Last month, we responded to a total of 14 calls. Of those calls there was one vehicle fire, six EMS calls, one motor vehicle collision and one call in which we responded mutual aid. This last month along with this month have been slow. As most if not all of you know, we shut the firehouse back down due to COVID. We allow a limited number of members in for non-emergency activity such as station maintenance and vehicle maintenance.

Work continues on the building. We have installed a monitor in the gear room that displays our responding members. A table has been set up in the south engine bay with a sign in sheet, thermometer, and PPE. Anyone who enters the building must sign in and sign out, take their temps, fill out a questionnaire, and sanitize. We bought a air powered sprayer to disinfect the building and vehicles. This is done on regularly scheduled times.

Most of our members have gotten their first round of COVID vaccinations. We will follow up with those who haven't.

Trustee Donovan stated members of the department have discussed with him the possibility of acquiring another chief's vehicle to prevent chief's from cross contaminating their own vehicles that their families ride in when they have to report to a scene in their own vehicle. This has become a real issue with the current COVID pandemic. Trustee Scatena asked how often this occurs and Trustee Donovan doesn't have an answer but with discuss with the Fire Department. The Village Board will look into this issue as well.

The Mayor and the Clerk reported they had a conference call with CDBG and our engineer regarding the status of the water project. The attorney is currently working on easements for the commercial unit water meters and are still waiting on final approval from the State Health Department. The Bridge Street issue was discussed and our engineer had a conference call with DEC and are working on getting the requested documents to them, but have requested an extension due to the extensive information requested. With no further discussion, Mayor Tackman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:51pm, second by Trustee Donovan, all in favor.