Village of Cleveland Regular Meeting 6:30PM September 14, 2021

PRESENT: Mayor Laureen Tackman, Trustees Dave Donovan, Eric Cartier, Robin Wilson, John Scatena. Also present: Cathy Kline, Roy Reehil, Dan Lewis and Vern Sundet.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

PAY BILLS: Mayor Tackman made a motion to pay abstract #4, vouchers 146-195 for \$116,350.75 and water project voucher 4-1 for \$479,896.84 and to approve the pay application for Highlander Construction for \$598,542.77 and the Layne Christensen pay application for \$6,024.00, second by Trustee Scatena, all in favor. Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve the September Treasurer's Report, second by Trustee Scatena, all in favor.

GUARD RAIL UPDATE: We are in the process of getting the 4 easements (2 permanent and 2 temporary) needed to complete the project from our attorney. Oswego Tool has all the materials in stock and ready to go. The County will be doing the work in October. Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve the engineering services agreement from BCA for the guardrails, second by Trustee Cartier, all in favor.

TUG HILL REPORT: Paul Baxter submitted the following report read by Vern Sundet:

Once again, I am pleased to have Vern Sundet available to cover the Cleveland village board meeting, as I cover Albion and Orwell tonight.

As you've probably heard, the Governor signed legislation which re-establishes a municipality's ability during much of the pandemic to conduct municipal meetings via Zoom. Unlike the previous establishment of the ability pursuant to executive orders which were renewed periodically, this is now established by state law, and runs through January 15, 2022.

There's been no change in the status of the Tug Hill Local Government Conference 2022. We're still investigating options, based on your feedback from the survey about the conference/

The Tug Hill Commission will have its annual dinner on Thursday, October 14, 2021, starting at 5:30 p.m. at Tailwater Lodge in Altmar. Cost is \$45 per person with a cash bar, and preregistration is required. I have extra copies of the invitation for anyone who might be interested in attending.

Village clerk Julie Simpson contacted me recently about material she had posted which was displaying differently on her computer than other such material in the past It displayed correctly on my computer, and I will be coming down to see Julie to see if we can figure out what the difference is.

CODE REPORT: Code Enforcement Officer William Hamacher submitted the following report read by Mayor Tackman: The tenants at 134 Center Street have been removed from the property and the owner is in the process of cleaning the property up. I have been working the owner and the health department regarding 5 Beach Road and the are in the process of their clean up. I also have been in contact with the DEC about some of the work that property owners want to do on the lake side. I have been working with the owner of 141 North St. to remove the tenant there. The tenant will be moving on the 21st of the month and the owners will be doing the clean up at the residence. I have done several building inspections at 120 North, 104 North, 147 North, 203 St. Rt. 49, 129 Bridge St., 103 St. Rt. 49, 30 Oneida St, 96 St. Rt 49, 89 St. Rt. 49 and 33 Beach Rd. I have also been in contact with the new owner of 23 North St., and I have a meeting with her.

DIVISION STREET DAM PROPERTY: Roy Reehil spoke regarding the property. Division Street has 2 ponds and a dam. He shared the information with the board that the DEC reports this is a low hazard, hydro generating dam. He stated there is also a dam at the reservoir that the village is responsible for that is also a low hazard. Trustee Scatena asked if there was any data on what power was generated, Roy will look into this. He spoke with Matt Marko, the head of region 7 for the DEC and he stated the last time the dam was evaluated was in 1997 and he will keep researching the dam. The Village's insurance company has requested that an environmental study of the property as well as a report on the dams integrity from an engineering firm or the DEC. It was built in about 1880 and rebuilt in the 1940's. Trustee Scatena asked about a cost benefit analysis and what the potential flow would be and we will also like need to dredge it. We will have a special work meeting to discuss all the facets and in the mean time, have any questions emailed to Roy to get answers ahead of the meeting. Roy reported Mr. Marko will send a dam safety specialist and a dredging specialist to look at the dam. Mayor Tackman stated we still don't know who owns the pond, the County records do not indicate any owner. Roy states that the state owns the water, the main feeder is Black Creek and other branches feed it and we need to get as much information as we can. He commented that Mike Davis, who was not present at this meeting, feels it doesn't present any further liability to the village. Roy reported the County Treasurer has agreed to remove the property from the auction, and no resolution

was needed to do this. It has cost the County thousands of dollars in the past when it has sold for \$100 and then the taxes go unpaid. He stated the IDA may be able to find a partner for the hydro-electric plant. He feels this would make a nice recreation area and send power to the grid. Roy also inquired as to the status of Bridge Street as he stated people have been moving the barricades and driving over the bridge. He would like more signage at the corner or re-open it. He stated that the water in the creek had been restricted. Mayor Tackman thanked him for his comments. She finished the meeting by stating the new home built at the Sunset Deli property's water and sewer services are being completed and that the Cleveland House plans to open in Mid- October. She made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00pm, second by Trustee Wilson, all in favor.