10:00AM

February 22, 2024

PRESENT: Mayor Laureen Tackman, Trustees John Scatena. Trevor Maughan, and Eric Cartier, Robin Wilson and Shaun House.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Tackman at 10:00AM with Pledge of Allegiance.

The reason for the emergency meeting was to facilitate the formation of a joint committee with the Town to explore other options for the sewer project.

The Mayor began the meeting by stating that the Constantia Joint Sewer Project did not receive \$13,000,000 in grant funding that they applied for to undertake the project. This effectively puts a hold on this project as there is only \$40,000,000 to work with. Constantia resident and subject area expert, Bill Buchan has offered to head a committee to explore other options for the project. The Town of Constantia made a resolution to have 2 board members on this committee and the Village needs to authorize the same to participate in this committee. With the board in agreement, Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve the participation in this committee to investigate options for the sewer project, second by Trustee Cartier, all in favor. The Mayor and Trustee Maughan will participate in this committee with Shaun House and David Hinds. Further discussion of the project and the timelines followed and possibly adding package plants and utilizing duplex pumps.

Fire Chief House took the opportunity to ask the Board permission to finance \$15,000 on a Lucas Device to perform automatic compressions due to the current ambulance contract issues with neighboring towns. This device will be carried on the rescue truck. Mayor Tackman made a motion to approve the purchase of the Lucas Device, second by Trustee Cartier, all in favor. Finally, as Mr. House is also the DPW Superintendent, he asked the board to consider salary increases for his team. He stated the DPW employees go above and beyond all the time and he would absolutely forgo his own increase in order to better compensate these employees. The Board thanked him for his comments and would review at budget time.

Finally, Mayor Tackman stated the Village received a \$1,000,000 WQIP Grant for the replacement of the culvert on Bridge Street. At 10:44am, Mayor Tackman made a motion to adjourn, second by Trustee Scatena, all in favor.