

PRESENT: Mayor Laureen Tackman, Trustees John Scatena, Robin Wilson and Eric Cartier. Absent: Trustee Trevor Maughan Also present, David Hinds, William Hamacher and Dan Lewis.

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 August abstract #3, vouchers #9137 for \$83,188.70, the treasurer's report, second by Trustee Wilson, all in favor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Mayor Tackman read the following report submitted by Chief House: 33 total calls, 12 EMS, 1 Rescue, 2 MVAs, 9 hazardous conditions, 1 service call, 1 good intent call, 7 cancelled en route, 5 mutual aid given, 1 mutual aid received, 1 meeting, 9 drills and 10 miscellaneous.

DPW REPORT: Shaun House submitted the following report read by Mayor Tackman:

Highway

Roadside mowing completed for the 3rd time

New road signs ordered and they will be out in service soon to comply with state guidelines.

Mowing continues parks and cemetery.

1 culvert pipe changed

Roadside drainage installed on Caswell

Paving will be the week of August 19th to include Bridge from West to State Rt. 49 and a few patches from water main breaks on Caswell.

Water

We responded to 4 water leaks 2 main breaks and 2 service lines the crew worked against the clock to avoid a boil water order.

All sampling was completed and passed.

We are currently looking at what metering system we will have after being directed by the DEC to put them in place. The highway department will install once scheduling is completed. We are working with our engineers to have these be funded through the water project

Generator and SCADA panel are installed at the well house and we hope will be up and running by September.

Sewer

We have received funding and a total of 50 new grinder pumps to replace the 200 series as they reach the end of their service life (parts are no longer available)

We have been awarded a generator from federal surplus for the plant. This is a \$50,000 generator that we got for \$1,800. (We are getting prices from the electrician to install.)

All the extra parts are on order for plant rehab

1 new blower

2 sludge pumps

2 EQ pumps

2 eff backwash pumps

2 eff overflow pumps

We have sent out the clarifier drives to be rebuilt.

We are currently on plant 2 while plant one gets serviced including paint, new air handler valves and cleaned.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: William Hamacher gave the following report: 3 building permits issues, 7 property maintenance violations, 18 building permits year to date, 33 violations year to date, 14 building inspections/re-inspections, 2 appearance tickets, 2 certificates of compliance/occupancy. Throughout the month of July I have been busy with some building permits, violations, inspections, returning phone calls and working with contractors, residents and plan reviews. I have been in contact with the county several times regarding 8 Center Street, 5 Beach Road, 161 Center Street regarding property issues and ownership. I have also been in contact with the DEC about some property issues. I had contact with the bank regarding 39 Clay Street. I have appeared in Court regarding property violations as well.

AMBULANCE: David Hinds was asked by Mayor Tackman to speak regarding the closure of North Shore Ambulance. He stated there are still no clear answers as to why they closed. The fire department found out like everyone else at the last minute. Menter Ambulance is covering the area currently. They have added an additional rig on days to allow for coverage. Vineall, Menter and McFee ambulance services state they need 1,000 calls to sustain themselves and Menter stated it needs \$640,000 between calls and revenue to operate. McFee needs upwards \$600,000 to operate. North Shore was receiving \$300,000. The town may need to increase taxes to cover this. David stated they not only need a place to house the ambulance, but they require bunking quarters, water, wifi etc. The Cleveland Fire Department has offered their quarters for a year for free till some other arrangements are made. McFee came to view the station and the set up and were very impressed and if they can work out an arrangement with the Town of Constantia, we will house McFee in Cleveland. Town Supervisor Frank Tomaino thanked David and said this was a godsend and if there were additional costs incurred, the Town would cover them. David stated this loss has created a huge vacuum in the EMS service with many contributing factors. The Cleveland Fire Department has recently purchased a LUCAS device to do automatic chest compressions to assist the department on calls. Vineall donated \$5,000 toward the purchase of this device, which new can cost \$30,000. We are purchasing a refurbished for approximately \$12,000. We need to get more people to join the department and get an EMT class together...we currently have 7 EMTs, 4 first responders and 1.5 paramedics (soon to be 2 full time once one finishes training).

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Bridge Street project finally has a project manager assigned through DEC and we are hoping to have a meeting in the next couple weeks to discuss the project. The Board will set up a public meeting to discuss the future of Bridge Street and what residents would like to see there, whether it's a footbridge or reopened as a road.

At 6:55pm, Mayor Tackman made a motion to adjourn, second by Trustee Wilson, all in favor.