

State of New York
Village of Croghan
Village Board Meeting

August 14, 2024

Mayor Julie Robinson calls the meeting to order at 6:00pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Attendees:

Mayor

Julie Robinson

Trustees

Dawn Ashline

Lloyd Richardson

Linda Nortz

Keith Bush- **Not Present**

Staff

Charlene Moser, Treasurer

Robin Grunert, Clerk

Liz Jones, Deputy Clerk

Mitch Robinson, Village Maintenance

Guests: Tom Kalamas, Jim Zehr, Marcus Hills, Mark Hills, Ryan Everson

Mayor Robinson read to the Board the resignation letter from Erin Murphy. Following, Mayor Robinson appointed Robin Grunert as the Clerk for the Village for the remainder of Erin's term. Robin Grunert accepted the appointment.

Public Comment

Tom Kalamas asked the Board to reconsider water districts for the Village. More work needs to be done in the Town of Croghan with the Engineers. He commented on the grants that Naturally Lewis, and NYS has for flood damage. He let the Board know that the Harrisville clinic will be re-opening, and that Hand-in-Hand received an award from the state. There is a budget workshop on the 29th and ZBA Land Use training on September 25th.

Marcus Hills and Ryan Everson asked to be put on the Village water system. . **Motion** by trustee Richardson with a second by trustee Ashline as a one-time exception to add them to the water system, noting that they may eventually be in a separate water district if one is formed. All in favor. Mark, Marcus and Ryan left the meeting at 6:15.

Jim Zehr discussed the issues with flooding in the section of the Village near Red Rooster. He noted the surface water of the Village runs towards the frog hollow area of the Village. Wondering if there is more the Village can do to avoid flooding in the future. He would like to see the Town or Village assume the pipe that runs under the road by Red Rooster restaurant. The Board does not think that is a possibility.

Mayor Robinson inquired with Jim about the Bank Street storm water drainage system that runs under the post office. Town of Croghan helped with the work during the "Bank Street Project". Discussions tabled. Jim left the meeting at 6:49.

Maintenance Report:

Discussion was had discuss the bridge request from Dave Zehr on his property behind the water plant. More research will be done to see what the Village is liable for. Mr. Zehr claims it is in his deed that the Village needs to maintain his right of way.

The new pump has been installed at the lift station and is working great. Mitch is still gathering prices for sand for the new system. Jim Bartell can produce the sand for the pond project. \$26.50 a ton or \$87,450 for the entire project, trucking included. It is close to Paul Lyndaker's quote but the Village would have to haul. He mentioned getting Tim Hunt and the county highway to help with the removal of the old sand. Looking for quotes in writing.

Mitch would like to remove some of the grills at the park as they have deteriorated beyond repair. One of the chlorinator pumps have failed and has been replaced. Future needs include a new roof on the skating rink and new tires needed for the skid steer. He is working on the lead line inventory.

Treasurer's Report

Charlene included the trickler list for winter water usage. She will send letters to residents that qualify for winter water rates.

Motion by Trustee Nortz **seconded** by Trustee Ashline to accept the treasurer's report. All in favor.

Motion by Trustee Nortz **seconded** by Trustee Ashline to make necessary transfers. All in favor.

Clerk's Report

Motion by Trustee Richardson **seconded** by Trustee Ashline to pay the bills. All in favor.

Motion by Trustee Ashline and a second by Trustee Richardson to approve the minutes of May 8th, May 29th, June 12th and July 10th. All in favor.

Mayor's Report

Mayor will check on leaf pickup with the Village of Lowville.

Trustee Report

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm by a **Motion** by Trustee Richardson **Seconded** by Trustee Nortz. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Grunert, Village Clerk