

**February 9,2022**

Mayor Julie Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM with the Pledge to the flag.

<b>Attendance</b>	Mayor Julie Robinson
Trustees	Bruce Widrick
	Keith Bush excused
	Linda Nortz excused at 8:10PM
	Lloyd Richardson arrived 7:30
Treasurer	Charlene Moser
Deputy Clerk	Liz Jones excused 7:00 PM
Clerk	Dawn Ashline
Village Maintenance	Mitch Robinson

The meeting was held at the Village Garage.

**Guests**

None

**Public Comment**

None

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Robinson notified the board that she had a conversation with Tom Kalamas, who was going to come to the meeting but did not make it, about the group that is trying to build a cooperative amongst the towns and villages so we can share water. The mayor had a handout from Casandra Buell for the board to read about this project and give their opinion at the next board meeting. Mayor Robinson will also ask more questions regarding how this project could benefit the Village of Croghan

Mayor Robinson reported That Pat Nortz is no longer working for the village.

Deputy Clerk Jones has notified the mayor that the power usage at the village garage has tripled. It is assumed because the Sno Pals groomer is now plugged in to the power at the garage.

**Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report was reviewed, there are 14 accounts past due from 2020, 4 water accounts past due for 2021 and 18 sewer accounts past due for 2021. She will be sending out final notices on March 1, 2022. Whatever accounts that are not paid after that they will be relevied to their village taxes. There are 3 accounts that are not in the village in arrears, and they will be collected by the village as those accounts cannot be relevied.

Trustee Widrick made a motion to accept the treasurers report, Trustee Nortz seconded, adopted-Yes 3 Nortz, Richardson, Widrick No-0. Bush excused. Motion approved

After review-Trustee Richardson made the motion, seconded by Trustee Widrick to pay the bills as presented and carried. Yes-3 No-0 Bush Excused

General Fund #9	vouchers 198 thru 212 for \$19,909.05
General Fund #9A	vouchers 213 thru 220 for \$4,673.79
Water Fund #9	vouchers 82 thru 87 for \$2,709.14
Sewer Fund #9	vouchers 69 thru 75 for \$2,125.47

A motion was made to accept any transfers by Trustee Richardson second by Trustee Widrick, adopted yes-3 no-0 Bush excused.

Transfer \$813 from A-1640.13 to A-3410.4

Transfer \$278 from A-5410.4 to A-7140.12

Transfer \$1 from A-8160.4 to A-8170.1

Mitch has read the water meters for February.

Mayor Robinson, Treasurer Moser and Public Works Maintenance Worker Robinson met with the Beaver Falls Water District board on Monday February 7,2022

Charlene has asked the board to make sure they give her wants and needs for the village so can work on then the new proposed budget.

Charlene states if we order the new scoreboard, we will need to make a budget amendment.

### **Clerk Report**

A motion by Trustee Nortz seconded by Trustee Richardson to approve the minutes. All in favor. Yes-3 No-0 Bush excused Motion carried.

Clerk Ashline reported that Travis Proulx has agreed to allow the village to purchase the National Registry Plaque to be displayed outside of his home.

### **Maintenance Report**

Mitch reported that a rural water energy study had been completed on both the water plant and sewer plant. It was suggested, to save money for the village, to put in a variable frequency drive at the water plant. This would save on electricity used at \$922 per year. It would take 2-3 years to pay for itself at a cost of \$1,900.00

The report also stated we could save by renegotiating with National Grid the rate we pay for running the water plant.

Mitch received an unofficial quote of \$28,000 from Kester's regarding a new water control panel for the water plant. Mitch states the set-up we have now is old and outdated and almost impossible to get parts to fix it when needed. Mitch has asked to have money put in next year's budget and /or use the covid relief money towards a new control panel.

Mitch will write up the specs needed to put out for bid a proposal to have a new control panel put in at the water plant.

Our skid steer is back and has been repaired.

Mitch questioned if the board had a plan in place to purchase a new skid steer every two years and if so, this year would make it the two-year mark. He stated our skid steer has 266.6 hours on it which is not many ours. He also stated that if we are planning on purchasing a new skid steer, he would recommend getting a bigger one like the one we were loaned while ours was getting fixed. He finds that it was easier to load snow into the dump truck with the bigger machine.

Mitch will look at pricing for a new skid steer.

Mitch reported the drain in the shop is backed up and he has been working on it but thinks he may need to call Monnat and Sons Plumbing and Heating to have the drain snaked.

Jake Kennedy has been doing very well at the ice rink. We have been getting a lot of positive feedback from the public.

Mitch states the Town of Croghan Highway Department helped him one day removing snow piles and banks.

Mitch has reported that since the Town of Croghan has retopped the Croghan Reservoir Road it has made it hazardous for him to plow into the water plant. He asked the board if he could have a gate put in on the fence so he could just drive through. The board discussed and would like Mitch and the Mayor to talk to the town to see if they could fix the road in that area.

Spectrum was here the other day to scout where to put the WIFI modems that Lewis County is having put in. The county will be paying 3 years on this project and after the three years are up the village can decide on talking over the bill or not. Spectrum will be putting modems at the village garage, the village ice rink, the village library and the International Maple Museum.

Electric cable on the blower and broom attachments have been repaired.

### **Trustee Report**

Trustee Richardson reported the new scoreboard quote and was told to order the board. He states it will take about 15 weeks for it to come in.

Trustee Richardson informed the board that he received a solicitation from National Grid regarding putting in an electric vehicle charging station in the village. Trustee Richardson will get more information regarding this subject.

### **Adjournment**

A motion by Trustee Nortz seconded by Trustee Bush to adjourn at 8:15PM. All in favor Nortz-Aye, Bush-Aye, Widrick-Aye, Richardson-Aye

Respectfully submitted by  
Dawn Ashline  
Village Clerk