

January 8, 2025

Mayor Julie Robinson calls the meeting to order at 6:01 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Attendees:

Mayor

Julie Robinson

Trustees

Dawn Ashline

Lloyd Richardson

Linda Nortz

Keith Bush

Staff

Charlene Moser, Treasurer

Robin Grunert, Clerk

Liz Jones, Deputy Clerk

Mitch Robinson, Village Maintenance

Guests and Public Comment/Updates

Ian Gilbert was introduced as the new attorney for the Village. Discussion was had regarding the Zoning Board being formed for the Village. Talks included questions regarding jurisdiction and the hiring of a local Zoning officer if the Village was going to enforce their own zoning laws.

Motion by Trustee Nortz seconded by Trustee Ashline authorizing Mayor Robinson sign the Retainer Agreement with Ian Gilbert. All in favor.

Brett sent along an update for the Village on the next steps for the water project. Memo included in Board's packet.

Maintenance Report:

Mitch reported on a water leak that feeds the island and is presumed to be under the river. After a meeting with Rural water and North Country Contractors, it has been estimated that 425 feet of boring under the river will be needed to lay new pipe to the island. This repair will also eliminate 97 feet of galvanized pipe that would have needed replacing in the near future.

Motion by Trustee Richardson and seconded by Trustee Ashline to approve the emergency repairs to the water line to the island not to exceed \$20,000. All in favor.

Also included in the maintenance report was the furnace at the ice rink was fixed, the snow blower has been repaired, and locks have been changed at the library.

Treasurer's Report

There are 21 past due sewer bills, and 22 outstanding water bills. She has billed out the County and Church league ball teams for the use of the ball field. There is a meeting with the Beaver Falls Water Board on February 3rd at 7:00pm.

The following transfers were suggested to the Board: General Funds \$163.00 from A-1640.13 to A1640.12 and Sewer Funds - \$5.00 from G-9055.8 to G9050.8. **Motion** by Trustee Ashline and seconded by Trustee Bush to approve the Transfers.

Charlene has asked the Board to start thinking about larger purchases and investments for the next budget. These should include wages and salaries for the employees and Board, Ice Rink roof, ball field improvements, paving Park Drive, etc.

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

Clerk's Report

Motion by Trustee Bush and a second by Trustee Richardson to approve the minutes of December 11th meeting. All in favor.

Motion by Trustee Richardson and seconded by Trustee Bush to pay the bills. All in favor.

The draft of the Spring Newsletter/Welcome letter was given to the Board. Hoping to send out with the next sewer bill.

Information has been submitted to the NYS Retirement system to find out the cost for the Village to join. It may be 6 to 8 weeks before we have a proposal.

Mayor's Report

The Arlington condemnation information the Mayor received from the County has been forwarded to Rich Knight at the Croghan Fire Company. Mayor Robinson has discussed with the current insurance carrier the fact the Village does not currently have an insurance deductible on our policy. More research is being done.

Mayor Robinson listened to a webinar on Safe streets and sidewalks in the Village. It will be running again January 21st at 9:00am if the trustees would like to listen in. It was a very informative webinar.

The Village has received one quote for the roof repairs at the ice rink. Due to the estimate, we will need at least two more bids.

Trustee Reports

Linda has submitted the Pratt Northam request for a lifeguard and a technical worker.

Executive Session called at 8:13pm.

Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Ashline with a second by Trustee Bush to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Grunert, Village Clerk