

Deputy Mayor Dan Nuffer called the regular meeting of the Village Board to order at 6:05 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Deputy Mayor Dan Nuffer, Trustees William C. Shambo, Dawn Ashline and Dave Schneider. Absent: Mayor Bruce Widrick. Present also were Clerk Rebecca Knight, Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Jones, Treasurer Charlene Moser, Maintenance Keith Bush.

Justin Astafan in attendance, as well as village residents Robert Gates and Irl Monnat.

Justin Astafan, representing Lewis County Search and Rescue, presented the proposal for the contract with the Village of Croghan. Effective on April 3rd LCSR will begin EMS coverage for the portions of the towns of Croghan and New Bremen that are currently covered by the Croghan Fire Department ambulance. The Croghan Fire Department is allowing Lewis County Search and Rescue to house an ambulance and will be staffed by a combination of volunteers and career staff. The board of trustees will review the contract.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 10, 2016 were approved as presented on a motion by Trustee Ashline, seconded by Trustee Schneider and carried; vote YES Shambo, Ashline, Schneider, Nuffer to adopt the minutes.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and after discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Shambo, seconded by Trustee Ashline and carried; vote YES Shambo, Ashline, Schneider, Nuffer to approve the report as read. The Budget vs. Actual report was distributed, and budget issues were discussed. It was agreed that the tax key should be raised from \$18/1000 to \$20/1000.

There are 30 unpaid water bills and 26 unpaid sewer bills.

Motion made by Trustee Ashline seconded by Trustee Shambo and carried that General Fund Abstract #10 vouchers #250 to #263 for \$9,883.87; Water Fund Abstract #10 vouchers #117 to #122 for \$3,658.44; Water Fund Abstract #10A vouchers #123 to #125 for \$1,357.90; Sewer Fund Abstract #10 vouchers #87 to #96 for \$1,002.25; Sewer Fund Abstract #10A vouchers #97 to #103 for \$5,382.50; Sewer Fund Abstract #10B vouchers #105 to #106 for \$1,290.08 be forwarded to the Treasurer for payment. Motion passed; vote 4 YES Shambo, Ashline, Schneider and Nuffer. NO 0

Trustee Ashline offered the following Resolution, seconded by Trustee Schneider and carried by a vote of YES 4, Ashline, Shambo, Schneider, Nuffer - NO 0. Resolve the Village Treasurer be authorized to transfer: \$110 from G-8130.43 to G-1910.4.

Brian Reape of Watertown DOT provided a general overview of the CHIPS program. Sidewalks were discussed, and noted that ADA guidelines are very important.

Deputy Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. for Local Law No. 1 – 2016 to Override Tax Levy Limit.

The Rules and Procedures document was reviewed and changes made. The Resolutions will be adopted at the April meeting.

Trustee Ashline suggested that the Clerk become responsible for taking reservations for the use of the park pavilion and ice rink for summer parties. Dawn developed rules and information to be sent to the parties involved. More discussion will follow.

Deputy Mayor Dan Nuffer motioned to close the Public Hearing at 7:45. Trustee Ashline seconded the motion with all in favor – Vote 4 YES Shambo, Ashline, Schneider and Nuffer.

**MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING
LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2016**

A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c

State of New York
Village of Croghan
Public Hearing

1. Public hearing of the Village of Croghan was held on March 9, 2016 in the village office, Croghan, New York. Deputy Mayor Dan Nuffer called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Attendance: Deputy Mayor Dan Nuffer, Trustees William C. Shambo, David Schneider, Dawn Ashline. Present also was Clerk Rebecca Knight, Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Jones, Treasurer Charlene Moser, Robert Gates and Irl Monnat.
3. This hearing was held in compliance with the Open Meeting Law in that notice was posted in the village and published in the Lowville Journal and Republican on February 17, 2016. Deputy Mayor Dan Nuffer made available the following information: That the purpose proposed law is to allow the Village of Croghan to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2016 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

There were no Public Comments:

Deputy Mayor Nuffer entertained a motion to close the public hearing regarding the proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2016 of the Village of Croghan, Attachment #1. Motion by Trustee Nuffer, seconded by Trustee Ashline to close the public hearing 7:45 p.m. Roll Call YES vote: Nuffer, Shambo, Ashline, Schneider. NO vote – 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Ashline, seconded by Trustee Schneider that the village board of the Village of Croghan adopt the Local Law No. 1 of 2016, entitled “Local Law No. 1 of the year 2016 – “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c”. Roll Call YES vote: Nuffer, Shambo, Ashline, Schneider. NO vote – 0. Motion carried to adopt 4-0

The only bid received for a used single-axle dump truck with less than 100,000 miles and newer than the year 2000, as advertised, was opened. On a motion by Trustee Shambo, seconded by Trustee Schneider the board accepted a bid from Gary Thummier of Rochester, NY for a 2007 International 7400 series dump truck for the price of \$33,000. The truck currently has 73,000 miles, a DT 466 engine with an Allison automatic transmission, and a 14 ft. Heil dump body. All were in favor. Vote YES 4 - Nuffer, Shambo, Ashline, Schneider. NO - 0

A special meeting is set for March 22nd to discuss 2016-2017 budget issues.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Ashline seconded by Trustee Shambo with all in favor.

Rebecca Knight - Clerk