VILLAGE OF WOLCOTT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VILLAGE HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

Oct 26, 2021

7:00 pm

Members Present: Deputy Mayor Dan Smith, Trustees: Andrew Marshall and Dave Lewis

Excused: Mayor Chris Henner, Trustee Norma Stewart

Others Present: Fran Acker, Tim Jones, Robert Crane, Ed Wazinski, Ron Lancy, Brian Ritchie, and Tommy Mettler.

Deputy Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Fire Department-Jerry Lasher-absent**

Chief Lasher absent due to several fires calls pertaining to severe weather.

**Robert Crane**

Crane’s Tree Service submitted an estimate to trim 18 trees around the Village of Wolcott in the amount of $1,800.00. Tree trimming is done annually. Trustee Lewis made the motion to accept the quote in the amount of $1,800.00 to trim 18 trees. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Mr. Crane made the Village Board aware that the Ash trees need to be treated. He mentioned he does not have the license to do so. Mr. Crane stated this should be done next spring. Deputy Mayor Smith asked Mr. Crane to please provide Tim Jones or Nick Rizzo the needed information.

**Highway Department-Tim Jones**

Mr. Jones stated all is going well. They cleaned up Main Street today. He also stated that the sweeper has been repaired and is returned.

Deputy Mayor Smith thanked Mr. Jones for the good job he is doing while Nick Rizzo is out on medical leave along with training the new hire.

**Water Department-Ed Wazinski**

Mr. Wazinski provided an estimate from Layne Christensen Co. for a low lift pump replacement in the amount of $12,565.00, inspect andrRepair if necessary TBD. Ed was reminded that he has to get more than one quote. He will work with Deputy Clerk Norsworthy to obtain more vendors.

Ed Wazinski will work with Deputy Clerk Norsworthy on the shut off list and will start with shut offs on October 27th for those who haven’t paid their bill.

**Police Department-OIC Brian Ritchie**

Report provided.

James Miller at the Wayne County Sheriff’s Department contacted OIC Ritchie after Brian started with the Village of Wolcott, letting him know there is a rifle that has been at the Sheriff’s department assigned to the Village of Wolcott that former OIC Ryan never picked up. There is no information in the Village of Wolcott PD that references this. OIC Ritchie has been working with James Miller who is working to find past grant documentation in order to make the proper transfer.

Deputy Mayor Smith made mention to OIC Ritchie of the number of skateboarders in the Village and asked if he and Officer McManus could keep an eye out and address the issue.

**Sewer Department-Tommy Mettler**

Mr. Mettler stated there had been a power flicker at the plant. He was receiving alarms due to pump failures. Worked with PlanTech Support to troubleshoot. The shaft was scored, was re-machined, one bearing housing rebuilt, new bearings installed.

Recent bad weather this week creating a wet weather event causing the manholes flooding on Wadsworth Street. Tommy Mettler has been very busy keeping on top of this event.

Mr. Mettler will be getting a quote for brakes on the Ford Ranger.

**Code Enforcement-Otis Vezzose-absent**

A resident from Draper Street had stopped into the Village Hall to voice her concern regarding chickens running loose. Thought maybe the original owner was no longer there to care for them. Code Enforcement Officer Otis Vezzose did go to check on them, and they do have a home with the owner present. No laws or Village Codes are being broken. Clerk Acker will contact the concerned resident with an update.

**Court Audit**

Trustee Lewis made the motion to accept and approve the August 2021 Court Audit. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Trustee Lewis made the motion to accept and approve the September 2021 Court Audit. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Village Clerk-Treasurer-Fran Acker**

Michael Caton from Computel sent over the Avangrid GRT Settlement agreement (RG&E). Peter Baynes from NYCOM had sent an announcement that a settlement in the long running dispute with Avangrid (parent company of RG&E and NYSEG) over their policy of excluding “delivery only” revenue from local GRT payments had finally been reached. 91 municipal clients who joined the process will share $750,000. The Village of Wolcott’s share is $3,000 less the 33% ($990) share Computel will take. Trustee Lewis made the motion for Clerk Treasure Acker to sign the settlement agreement to move forward. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

The next Village officials’ dinner will be hosted by the Village of Newark at the Newark Elks Lodge on November 17, 2021. The speaker will be John Mancini of NYCOM who will be discussing employee compensation for COVID leave and any relevant information. The cost will be $29.00, tip included. The Village of Wolcott will not be able to have anyone attend.

Trustee Lewis made the motion to accept July 2021 Treasurer’s report and financials. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer Acker provided the winter ads regarding parking, snow plow permits, snow mobiles and curfews for the board review before putting in the shopper.

**Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Lewis made the motion to accept and approve the minutes from the October 12, 2021 Public Hearing. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All Present voted in favor.

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Trustee Lewis made the motion to accept the following amendments:

***Minutes of August 9, 2021 Special Meeting***

*Trustee Lewis made the motion to approve the minutes for the* ***August 9, 2013*** *Special Meeting. Trustee Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in Favor.*

*Should have been August 9, 2021*

***Minutes of August 10, 2021***

*Trustee Lewis made the motion to approve the minutes for the* ***August 9, 2013*** *Meeting. Trustee Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in Favor.*

*Should have been August 10, 2021*

*Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.*

**Trustee Stewart**

Trustee Norma Stewart submitted her letter of resignation to the Village Board. Deputy Mayor Smith accepted Trustee Stewart’s resignation from the Village Board effective November 1, 2021 thanking her for her dedication to the Village. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Trustee Marshall**

Nothing at this time

**Deputy Mayor Smith**

Deputy Mayor Smith reviewed the COVID 19 attestations forms provided by Deputy Clerk Norsworthy.

**Trustee Lewis**

Trustee Lewis mention to the board that GM has information on electric vehicle charging stations.

Trustee Lewis also asked the status for property located at the corner of EPB road. Code Enforcement Officer Vezzose was not present to provide an update.

Deputy Mayor Smith made a motion to move the meeting to executive session at 7:58 pm to discuss a contractual matter. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor. Ed Wazinski and Clerk Treasurer Acker were asked to stay. Mr. Wazinski left at 8:05pm.

Deputy Mayor Smith made a motion to move back to regular session at 8:47 pm. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Trustee Marshall located a 2013 Chevy Express Cargo Van through a government auction. Trustee Marshall made a motion to bid on the van not to exceed $29,800 through the water-special reserves fund. Trustee Lewis 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Trustee Lewis made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 pm. Trustee Marshall seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

The next regularly scheduled Village Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on November 9, 2021 at 7:00pm in the Village of Wolcott Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fran Acker

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Clerk-Treasurer