

Minutes
Regular Monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
Wednesday, November 8, 2017

Present: Mayor James Dunham

Trustees: Richard Phillips
Dale Leiser
Robert Baumeister
David Flaherty

Also attending: CEO/ZEO, Glenn Smith; Highway Superintendent, David Booth; First Ass't Chief, Matt Cohn; and Village resident, William Mancini.

Mayor Dunham called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

MINUTES

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the minutes of October 11, 2017 Regular monthly Village Board meeting; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

A motion made by Trustee Baumeister approving the following budget amendments presented by the village Treasurer; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

General Fund

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A.5110.4 Street Maintenance Contractual	A.7140.4 Recreational Contractual	\$500.00
A.5110.4 Street Maintenance Contractual	A.8170.1 Street Cleaning Personal Service	\$ 108.79

ABSTRACT

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the abstract in the amount of \$34,528.14; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted "aye".

TREASURER'S REPORT

Trustee Phillips made a motion approving the monthly Treasurer's Report; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Asst't Chief Cohn reported 3 calls, 2 drills and 3 details. OSHA review training is scheduled for November 20th and 27th.

Trustee Phillips thanked Superintendent Booth for the work he performed in the bay at the firehouse for the repair of the fire alarm with Simplex Grinnell.

DPW

Superintendent Booth reported the DPW winterized the bathrooms at the playground; shut the water off at the bandstand and the cemetery; replaced a curb stop at 18 Presidential and are continually removing leaves throughout the village.

Water Department-Trustee Leiser requested a quote from CJ Smith Roofing for the replacement of the roof on the pumphouse.

New Truck- The wing for the 2016 Tierra Star truck has arrived. Arrangements will be made to have the wing installed on the truck.

Assistance with leaf pick up-Mayor Dunham, Trustee Leiser and Super indent Booth interviewed three applicants for the part time position. The three applicants declined the job for various reasons. At this time the village board decided if need be former Superintendent Jack Taylor may be called in to drive during leaf season. The village will continue to pursue help for the winter snow removal.

Trustee Baumeister request the DPW inspect the Christmas lights to confirm they are working properly. Fairpoint Communications and Tom Butcher are scheduled to install the Christmas lights in the village square on Friday, December 1, 2017 at 8:30 am. The DPW was requested to clean out under the stage in Van Buren Hall.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The CEO/ZEO's monthly report was received with 12 permits issued and \$768.50 of fees collected.

14 Sunset Ave- Glenn will issue violations if something is not done with the roof and chimney.

12 Sunset Ave- Glenn stated the owner, Mr. Better is complaint with the code and his building permits are current. He has no jurisdiction over the color he chose to paint the house.

TREES

Village Property- Mayor Dunham would like to receive quotes to have several village trees removed or trimmed. He is finding companies are working on residential properties not commercial due to insurance. Trustee Baumeister noted there is someone new in Chatham. Mayor Dunham may call.

Private property-Glenn spoke with Barry Herbold concerning 4 trees on his Rothermel Lane property. Mr. Herbold has contacted someone to remove the trees. Glenn will follow up with him if they are not removed by December 1, 2017.

TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY

With the village's request the State Police and Sheriff's office have been patrolling Albany Ave., Hudson St and Gaffney Lane more frequently. WSP has placed the ATR's on Eichyush Road and Gaffeny Lane. The village's new speed sign will be placed on Hudson Street on the last day the ATR is scheduled for Hudson Street. They would like to compare the readings received from the ATR and the speed sign.

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE

William Mancini reported their regular monthly meeting was cancelled they will meet next week. The subcommittee has been working on the Green Fair for April 2018.

WILLIAM STREET RT. 9 TO MAIDEN LANE

Hudson Valley Engineering is requesting an amendment to their contract. They underestimated the survey work needed. The contract allowed for \$2,500 for the property line survey work. An

increase in the amount of \$10,150 is requested to cover the survey work by their sub consultant Van Alstyne Land Surveying. A motion made by Trustee Flaherty to approve the amendment of \$10,150; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted “aye”.

Mayor Dunham feels Hudson Valley Engineering’s schedule is optimistic. He stated there are new requirements for handicapped accessibility that require a 4 ft wide sidewalk. There will need to be narrow takings around the light poles. Trustee Baumeister inquired how wide the road was if it was a three rod road. Mayor Dunham stated no it is a narrow road that is considered a “user road”.

Dry Sewer Line- When Clark engineering completed a sewer study of the village they broke the village out in 5 sections. The B-1 area was the first section they felt was in the most need of a sewer for economic development. They felt Hudson St., William Street and Jarvis Lane was the next area in need of a sewer due to private septic and the effect of the nitrate levels on the village wells. Mayor Dunham noted the nitrate levels in the wells have been as low as 1.5 parts per million and can go up to 10 parts per million to be in acceptable range. Mayor Dunham questions if the village should pay the approximate \$200,000 for a dry line if not needed. He stated in the past the village’s nitrate levels were higher but in acceptable range. The report received from Steve Winkly from New York Rural Water stated nitrate levels were high from the fertilizer used in farming not from private septic systems.

Mayor Dunham set an informational meeting to discuss the William Street Project and Hall Construction snow clearing sidewalk contract on Wednesday, November 15th at 7:00 pm.

ZONING BOARD

The meeting was cancelled no new applications were received.

PLANNING BOARD

The meeting was cancelled no new applications were received.

Mayor Dunham had a request from a Planning Board member to have a training session. He knows they have the sign regulations and POD regulations they are working on but if they could meet for training. Trustee Phillips, liaison to the planning board will discuss with Bruce Charbonneau, PB Chairmen.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Mayor Dunham and Glen Smith are scheduled to meet with Julian Adams from NYS Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation on how things are enforced by the CEO/ZEO this Friday. Mayor Dunham will call Mr. Adams to verify the state is not observing Veterans’ Day on Friday.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

EDC Director, Renee was unable to attend the meeting. No monthly report was received.

Mayor Dunham met with Renee, Ann Birckmayer and Ruth Piwonka earlier today. They discussed how successful the six History Walks over the summer went and will start planning for next summer.

Renee has been in contact with the Mayor of Buren in the Netherlands inviting the town of Buren (the ancestral home of the Van Burens) to become a sister city with Kinderhook. Kinderhook Creek-The village received a letter dated October 31, 2017 from Hudson River Valley Greenway notifying the village was not awarded grant funds for the “Kinderhook Creek Recreational Access Improvements Plan” submitted by Barton and Loguidice.

PEOPLE OF COLOR CEMETERY

On November 13th & 14th the State Museum has offered a free service to scan sonar over the People of Color Cemetery and will provide a report of their findings.

PROPOSED SOLAR PANEL LAW

The public hearing notice was not published in the paper to hold the public hearing this month. A motion made by Trustee Flaherty to reschedule the public hearing for December 13, 2017 at 7:15 pm on Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2017 Solar Energy Installations; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted “aye”.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Ghent Band has requested to perform on Wednesday evenings in the Village Square in place of Friday evenings. They submitted a report listing number of audience, number of band members and what the weather was like on Wednesday evening when they performed in Ghent. The village board agreed to have the Ghent Band perform on Wednesday evenings in the village.

VILLAGE HALL

Van Buren Hall-Trustee Flaherty received a quote from Scheriff Electric on the electrical work requested for Van Buren Hall. He will request a second quote from an electrical contractor to be compliant with the village’s procurement policy.

1st floor- The lights/ballards above the judge’s bench have not been working. Trustee Flaherty requested Scheriff electric to install two LED lights to be installed above the judge’s bench. A brief discussion if the court may apply for a court grant to replace the lights in the court room with LED lighting. Trustee Flaherty will contact David Booth for replacement of ceiling tiles. Other Projects-2nd fl-Trustee Flaherty is waiting for a call back from Scheriff Electric on adding additional lighting in Van Buren Hall and adding three outlets on either side of the hall. He would also like to call a carpenter to change the two doors under the stage to four doors for better access.

Capacity limits-Trustee Flaherty will email Marylyn Kaplan for an update on the capacity limits for Van Buren Hall.

UNPAID WATER, SEWER & TAX BILLS

The village office will be sending late letters to all unpaid water and sewer accounts. The total unpaid water is \$8,546.68 and total unpaid sewer \$1,209.90.

WASTE WATER COLLECTION PROJECT

Anti-Siphon Valve-Mayor Dunham spoke with Trent Emmons yesterday. Mr. Emmons wants to see a profile of the sewer lines. Mayor Dunham provided the profile six months ago but he will resend them.

SIDEWALK SNOW CLEARING CONTRACT

Mayor Dunham received Hall Construction's contract today. He would like time to review as there are revisions in the contract. The contract will be on the agenda for November 15th meeting.

EMPIRE STATE TRAIL

A meeting for the Town of Kinderhook & Villages of Kinderhook & Valatie will be held on November 27th at the Town of Kinderhook municipal building. Mayor Dunham intends to send a letter to every resident in the village who abuts the trail informing them of the meeting.

SIDEWALK CHURCH STREET

Mayor Dunham met with Tom Butcher to inspect the tree behind the church. If, The School is installing an elevator the village will need to drop the sidewalk for handicapped access. There may be a tree root issue by dropping the sidewalk.

APPLICATIONS

A motion made by Trustee Baumeister approving the following applications; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

- a. Kinderhook Runners Club is requesting Van Buren Hall on January 1, 2018 from 8 am-noon for their annual meeting
- b. Karen Dolge is requesting the Village Playground Pavilion on October 15th from 2-4 pm for a birthday party
- c. Lorraine Michaels Dance is requesting to extend ballroom dancing on Friday evenings in Van Buren Hall (Sept. 8,15,22,29; Oct. 6,13,20,27; Nov. 3, 10)
- d. Amy Couch is requesting to amend per previous application to add a Saturday Zumba Class from 9-10 am

RECREATION COMMISSION

The Halloween Festival held in Van Buren Hall went very well.

KBPA

Candle light night is scheduled for Friday, December 8, 2017; from 6-8:30 pm.

TAXPAYER TIME

No one wishing to speak.

A motion made by Trustee Flaherty to adjourn at 8:24 pm; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted "aye".

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole H. Heeder
Village Clerk