

Minutes
Regular Monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
Wednesday, July 11, 2018

Present: Mayor James Dunham

Trustees: Richard Phillips
Dale Leiser
Robert Baumeister
David Flaherty (Absent)

Also attending: Village Superintendent, David Booth; CEO/ZEO Glenn Smith; Climate Smart Committee Chair, William Mancini; Tom Mueller; Bernadette Powis; Rhonda Grainger; Don Boyajian

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

MINUTES

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the minutes of June 13, 2018 Regular Monthly Meeting and Special Meeting of June 27, 2018; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

ABSTRACT

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the monthly abstract in the amount of \$31,452.24; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted "aye".

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Tom Mueller submitted the monthly fire incident report noting 1 call, 3 details and 1 drill. Life Member and past President of Palmer Engine & Hose Co, Alfred Morris passed away.

A new LED light was installed in the rear of the fire house for better lighting of the parking lot. Madsen Doors repaired the middle bay door and added weather stripping around the other bay doors. Bid documents for the repaving of the back parking lot are being prepared.

DPW

The DPW resided and painted the bathrooms at the playground, they planted three trees one at MVB grave site and two at 50 Broad Street. A new drywell was installed on Martin Court.

Water Department-The pumphouse roof is scheduled to be replaced on July 23rd by Phelps Roofing. Due to the weather the village has a water BAN in place. This is not a water quality issue. The pumps need to rest and the wells need to rehab themselves. The pumps were pumping 370,000 gallons of water at the time the Ban was put in place. The village's normal high is about 210,000 gallons.

Rothermel Lane Project-The village will be repaving Rothermel Lane from Rt 9 up to the Playground Driveway. Colarusso will be milling under the county contract and repaving under the state contract for approximately \$49,000. A motion made by Trustee Baumeister classifying the Rothermel Lane Project as a SEQR Type II project; seconded by Trustee Phillips.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The CEO/ZEO's monthly report was received with 12 permits issued and \$762.00 of fees collected.

Zombie Properties Ordinance- Is on hold until Glenn Smith and the Village Attorney meet to address any questions the attorney has on the proposed ordinance compared to the current village code.

Emergency Access Systems- Is a lock box system to allow fireman into a business if an alarm was to sound. Several towns are implementing the lock box and the CEO/ZEO would like the village to consider. The Emergency Access System is on hold until the village receives feedback from our Fire Department. The Chief will keep a log of the calls to a business to determine if they should move forward.

TREES

The Sister City Tree was planted at MVB Grave Site for the upcoming ceremony with the Mayor from the Town of Buren in the Netherlands.

TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY

The Town of Kinderhook is interested in splitting the cost of a variable speed sign. Former Trustee Brain Murphy will be receiving information on another sign to share with the Town of Kinderhook.

Rothermel Lane-The village will consider removable speed bumps in the future for Rothermel Lane.

Request to lower speed on CR 21 between Old Post Rd & the Village Line- A response has not been received from the County, State or Town on the village's request to lower the speed.

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE

Electric Vehicle Charging Station- The task force received three quotes from installers recommended by NYSERDA. An RFP will be drafted for the plans of an electric charging station and submitted to the contractors. The grant application, submitted in April for the installation of an electric vehicle charging station in the municipal parking lot, has been approved by NYSERDA in the amount of \$16,000. The task force is currently discussing various options for completion of the project in keeping with the character of the district. They will be meeting with their new Senior Planner from the Capital District Regional Planning Commission, Tara Donadio.

Village Solar-Mr. Mancini contacted a number of firms involved in Community Solar Project in NYS to obtain proposals for solarizing the Village buildings. So far, only one, Forefront Power, has responded. Mr. Mancini forwarded the village's utility bills to Forefront's Bryan Eckstein.

WILLIAM STREET RT. 9 TO MAIDEN LANE

The William Street project is an \$830,000 project with approximately \$310,000 of water main replacement work. The deadline to apply for the State Infrastructure Grant Program is September 7, 2018. The village was also informed by Rich Winters from NYRWA there is funding for water projects through USDA. Mayor Dunham emailed the grant consultants of this for their review. Mayor Dunham is hopeful the village will receive funding for the water main and to have the William Street Project start next spring.

GHENT BAND

The Ghent Band will play in the Village Square Wednesday, August 8, 2018.

ZONING BOARD

Minutes of February 26, 2018 and April 23, 2018 meeting were received.

A motion made by Trustee Phillips to adopt the new Zoning Board Application requirements; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

A motion made by Trustee Baumeister to approve Mayor Dunham's appointment of William Barford to finish William Van Alstyne's term as a Zoning Board member; seconded by Trustee

Phillips. All voted “aye”. Mayor Dunham thanked William Van Alstyne for his time served on the Zoning Board.

PLANNING BOARD

Minutes of May 3, 2018 meeting were received.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The meeting was canceled no new business.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

EDC Director, Renee Shur was unable to attend the meeting but she emailed her monthly report. Netherlands Sister City- the Mayor of the Town of Buren and Buren’s event planner, Mark Hofmen will be visiting Kinderhook from July 30th –August 4th, 2018. Renee has created an itinerary for them. Mayor Dunham will be hosting a dinner and has invited the Village Board and their wives. Food Truck night- The first Food truck night was June 28th and was a great success. The next scheduled Food Truck night is August 23rd.

Kinderhook Creek Revitalization Study- EDC Director, Renee, Mayor Dunham, and Valatie Mayor Argyle will be meeting with Barton & Loguidice Tuesday morning to work on the Water Front Revitalization grant and the Hudson Greenway Grant.

VILLAGE HALL

Masonry Work-Lance Glenn from Stonemasonry will be starting the repointing of the brick work on the village hall next week. He is proposing to work two evenings a week and Saturdays and is expecting to complete the work within 2-3 months.

VILLAGE POLICIES

Trustee Phillips forwarded a draft alcohol policy to the village board for their review. He will review with the village attorney before having the employees of the village sign.

UNPAID WATER, SEWER & TAX BILLS

Water and Sewer bills- The unpaid balance for water is currently at \$3,718.22 and the new sewer billing for \$10,031.25 was billed. Village Tax bills were sent on June 1, 2018.

WASTE WATER COLLECTION PROJECT

Anti-Siphon Valve- Mayor Dunham stated the pump house readings have been varying with the water bill reading. Mayor Dunham contacted Emmons Pump to schedule their yearly maintenance.

ALBANY HUDSON ELECTRIC TRAIL

Mayor Dunham will be meeting with the village attorney to discuss the procedures on the acquisition of the 25ft stripe from Samascott’s Orchard. The strip is needed to connect the trail to Albany Ave. Andy Beers is working on the final Environmental Impact Statement with a 30 day public comment period. A committee, Columbia Friends of the trail, has formed to maintain portions of the trail where municipalities have not agreed to maintain the trail.

SIDEWALK

Church Street Project-The village requested four quotes for the replacement of a 4ft wide 166 ft sidewalk. The village received two bids; Banker Enterprise for \$11,586.80 and Tom Hall Construction of \$7,250.00. A motion made by Trustee Baumeister to award Tom Hall the bid for \$7,250; seconded by Leiser. The height of the sidewalk will be raised to save the elm tree by the church parking lot.

APPLICATIONS

- a. The Democratic Committee is requesting the playground pavilion on August 5th to hold a pic-nic. The village board was concerned with the request of 150 spaces requested for parking and tabled their Application. Mrs. Grainger submitted a parking plan with her application. A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving their application; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted “aye.”
- b. The Blue Hawks travel team is requesting the playground pavilion on July 21st at 3pm for a year end pizza party with a movie. A motion by Trustee Baumeister; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted “aye”.
- c. The Friends of Kinderhook Library is requesting to place a sign in the Village Square from September 7th – September 16th advertising a bake sale. A motion made by Trustee Leiser; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted “aye.”
- d. The Kinderhook Runners Club is requesting Van Buren Hall on July 15th from 8:30 am-1100 am to hold a yoga class. A motion by Trustee Leiser approving the request; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted “aye.”
- e. David Smith is requesting Van Buren Hall on March 23, March 24 and October 20, 2018 to hold Concerts In the Village. The applications will be held for further discussion on the use of Van Buren Hall during office hours, if a piano is being requested and scheduling of dress rehearsals. Also the fee for the concerts and rehearsals.

RECREATION COMMISSION

Trustee Baumeister made a motion to purchase a prepaid phone for the Director to use for the summer program to contact parents for emergencies; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted “aye.”

KBPA

The village DPW is working on building storage shed for the KBPA.

TAXPAYER TIME

Bernadette Powis wanted to thank the village board for allowing the Democratic pic-nic at the playground pavilion.

Don Bovajian stated he is not a tax payer in the village but he wanted to thank the village board for allowing him to sit and listen. He stated he is running for Assembly and he feels it is valuable to sit in on meetings and hear what their issues are or what their needs are. He was an attorney for a Town and a Village shortly out of law school and feels the village board is a well-oiled machine and they work very well together. He feels it is good for the village board to know they have an advocate in the Capital and ally in him if they need something or have a question grant related or a SEQR question. Mayor Dunham stated if he gets in he thinks the CHIPS program is a great program. The need for something similar for water and sewer infrastructure is a big need for municipalities.

A motion made by Trustee Baumeister to adjourn the meeting and enter into executive session at 8:34 pm on personnel; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted “aye”.

No motions made.

A motion made by Trustee Leiser to adjourn executive session at 8:34 pm; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted “aye”.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole H. Heeder
Village Clerk