

Minutes
February 11, 2015
Regular Monthly meeting of the village board of trustees

Present: Mayor Carol Weaver, via skype Venice Fl.

Trustees: Richard Phillips
Dale Leiser

Absent: Trustees Robert Puckett; Brian Murphy

Also Attending: Glenn Smith; Jim Dunham; David Booth; Renee Shur; Matt Cohn; Larry Eisen; Shirley Morgan; Mark Browne; Emelia Teasdale, Columbia Paper and Siobhan Barton, Register Star.

Mayor Weaver opened the meeting at 7:32 pm.

MINUTES

Mayor Weaver made a motion to approve the minutes of January 14, 2015; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted "aye".

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Trustee Phillips made a motion approving the following budget amendments presented by the village treasurer; seconded by Mayor Weaver. All voted "aye".

<u>General Fund</u>		
<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Fund Balance	A.1320.4 Auditor	\$10,525.00
A.1630.4 Village Clock Contractual	A.1670.4 Central Print & Mailing Cont.	\$80.01
A.1989.4 Contingent Account	A.1910.4 Unallocated Insurance	\$499.07
A.7140.41 Recreation Recc. Com	A.7140.4 Recreational Contractual	\$193.17
A.9035.8 Medicare	A.9050.8 Unemployment	\$334.92

ABSTRACT

Trustee Leiser made a motion approving the monthly abstract in the amount of \$45,523.92; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted "aye".

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Weaver made a motion approving the monthly treasurer's report; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The monthly fire report and officer's meeting minutes were received. The fire department responded to 11 calls and conducted one detail.

The fire Department purchased a new AED as they are required to attend ECO calls and they are usually the first arrival to a scene.

Sheriff David Bartlett informed the village that inmates from Columbia County will be clearing the snow from the fire hydrants. Trustee Leiser will send a thank you to Sheriff Bartlett for his assistance as we have had a lot of snow this year.

DPW

Water Department-Dale was considering purchasing a special GPS program that would locate and map out where the village hydrants and valves are located. Due to the unexpected work on the pumps he will request the purchase in next year's budget.

Dave's monthly report consisted of handling snow, snow and more snow. There have been nine storms this month the village DPW has used 111 tons of salt. In between the storms they have worked on broken equipment or preparing for the next storm.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The CEO/ZEO's monthly report was received with \$470.00 of permit fees collected.

3 Church St-Chase Bank paid the village tax bill on 3 Church Street. Glenn notes that their payment of the taxes confirms they are taking responsibility of the property. Glenn will send Chase Bank a letter notifying them of the violations on the property.

ZONING BOARD

No meeting held.

PLANNING BOARD

No meeting held.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The commission met to work on the solar panel guidelines.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation Grant-Renee is requesting to apply for grant funds for the Kinderhook Business and Professional Association for the Farmer's Market. This is a grant the village applied for last year and received.

Mayor Weave made a motion approving Renee's request to apply for the grant funds; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

Traffic-Renee met with Michael Jankowiak, Captain- Zone Commander, and village resident Stewart Peckner concerning the proposed speeding in the village. Mr. Jankowiak requested the troopers monitor and reports the speeding in the village. A troop car will also be parked outside the village hall in hopes of slowing traffic down. A letter will be sent to Mr. Peckner noting the results of the monitoring. Renee will keep the village board informed.

Lighting-Renee is requesting the village board consider a lighting program for local business/residents in the business district. Previously, she gave the village board a copy of contract from another municipality (Parker Colorado Improvement Contract) to show how the program works. She would like the village board to consider placing \$500.00 per lighting project in the EDC budget for the next fiscal year.

Lighting Village Parking lot-Renee has contacted the Lighting and Research Center at RPI inquiring if their graduate students would be interested in providing a lighting plan for the village parking lot in the historic district.

Walking Tour Brochure-Renee will inquire if the KBPA would like to join together again in updating and printing of a new walking tour brochure.

VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall Roof –mandatory pre-bid meeting on 2/17/2015 at 1:00 pm. Mayor Weaver requested Glenn and a village board member attend the pre-bid meeting. Trustee Phillips will attend the meeting.

UNPAID TAXES

The village has \$6,714.01 of uncollated taxes for the 2014-2015 fiscal years. A second letter will be sent to the village residents with unpaid taxes.

WASTEWATER COLLECTION PROJECT

The first utility billing of the wastewater went well the village has two unpaid accounts.

Jim noted several loose ends need to be addressed: filing of easements, updating of the as-builts but we are getting there.

SIDEWALK LINK PROJECT

Jim is working on the closeout documentation he would like to finalize the project in this fiscal year.

APPLICATIONS

Mayor Weaver made a motion approving the following applications pending insurance certificates; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted “aye”.

- a. Lorraine Michaels requested the Village Hall 2nd floor on March 14, 2015 from 6-10 pm to hold dance classes.
- b. Coarc is requesting a sign in the village square from 2/15/15-3/19/15 to promote their health fair.
- c. Fyfe’s & Drumms are requesting village streets for a parade route on May 30, 2015 from 12:00-1:00 pm.
- d. KBPA is requesting to hold the following events in the village: the Farmer’s Market on Saturday mornings starting May 9th from 8:00 am-1:00 pm; Village Home and Garden show on April 18th from 9 am-4 pm; People’s Day parade on July 4th from 11:30 am-1:00 pm; Food Truck Night on June 25th and September 24th; Dancing in the Square on August 1st with a rain date of August 8th; October fest on October 10th from 10 am-2 pm; Candle Lite Night on December 4th from 5 pm-10 pm.

RECREATION COMMISSION

The annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 28, 2015 behind the Vanderpoel House.

The committee is working together to hold a movie night in the village hall 2nd floor during the school break.

KBPA

The annual social was held on February 10th from 5-7 pm at the Flammerie.

TAXPAYER TIME

Shirley Morgan said that there has been increased speeding on Rout 9. She stated that the Village needs an electronic sign showing the speed of cars and trucks. She said they have worked well in other municipalities to slow traffic. She stated they run between \$12,000 and \$15,000. She also requested the village not wait 24 hours after a snow storm to have the

sidewalks cleared. She noted the village is a walking community and it is hard for anyone to walk to the bank and post office if the snow is not cleared from the sidewalks and cross walks. She is requesting the village call the state highway department concerning the speed of the plow trucks on Rt. 9. She is also concerned with the state clearing the shoulder of the roads multiple times putting the snow on her sidewalk that she has cleared several times. Trustee Leiser stated it has been a hard winter with all the snow we have received. The snow plows have to wing back the road to prepare for more snow. Trustee Leiser will call the state requesting the plow trucks reduce their speed.

Mayor Weaver made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted "aye".

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole H. Heeder
Village Clerk