

Minutes  
Regular Monthly meeting of the Village Board  
Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Present: Mayor James Dunham

Trustees: Richard Phillips  
Dale Leiser  
Robert Puckett  
Robert Baumeister

Also attending: Glenn Smith; David Booth; Renee Shur; Larry Eisen; Nick Eisen; Stewart Peckner William Mancini; Emilia Teasdale, The Columbia Paper.

Mayor Dunham opened the Regular monthly meeting at 7:30 pm.

**Taxpayer Time #1**

Mr. Peckner was surprised to find out Rt. 9 was not included in the village's traffic calming study. Mayor Dunham told Mr. Peckner that it is a state road therefore it was not included in the study. Mr. Peckner explained though it is a state road it is the major thoroughfare in the village and the village board should address the traffic issues. He stated the village light was set at a timed delay slowing the trucks down. But now is set to change on demand. He feels when the trucks know the light will stay green they travel a lot faster.

He would also like to discuss the speed of the vehicles coming into the one-way street in the village square. He would like to see a speed bump to reduce the speed allowing people to cross the road safely.

Mayor Dunham is researching a flat top speed bump, a speed table, to assist in reducing the speed of vehicles entering the one-way street.

**MINUTES**

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the minutes of December 14, 2016 Regular monthly meeting; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted "aye".

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

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

General Fund

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
A.1670.4 Central Printing Contractual	A.1680.4 Central Data Processing	\$65.17
A.5142.4 Snow Removal Contractual	A.5142.2 Snow Removal Equipment	\$3,998.81
A.8161.1 Leaf Pick Up	A.8560.1 Shade Trees Personal Service	\$19.25

Water Fund

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
F.8340.1 Engineering	F.8340.4 Transportation Distribution	\$18,857.90

**ABSTRACT**

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the monthly abstract in the amount of \$37,254.90 and to hold Morris Associates check of \$150.00 until clarification of the additional billing above their contract price; seconded by Mayor Dunham. All voted "aye".

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Trustee Puckett made a motion approving the monthly Treasurer's report; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Larry Eisen reported 5 calls, 2 Drills and 3 Detail. The monthly fire incident report was received with the officer's meeting minutes. As of January 1, 2017 Columbia County assigned new truck ID numbers. 35-2 is now 35-12 (read as 3,1,5,2) 35-1 is now 35-13 (read as 3,5,1,3)

LED Light on Fire House Sign- Larry thanked Dave for calling Scheriff Electric and obtaining a quote of \$645.00 to install a ground level LED light with a dusk to dawn sensor. Trustee Phillips would like to table until the spring when the light can be installed.

## **DPW**

Dave reported several items conducted during the month: the ice rink was installed at Rothermel Park, snow and ice removal during the storms, removal of residents Christmas trees and the removal of the village's Christmas decorations in the village square. Fairpoint Communications and Tom Butcher, Homstead Tree Service assisted with the lights in the trees.

Trustee Puckett requested the DPW install a new railing along the wall as you go up the stairs to the second floor of the Village Hall. This will include extending a railing over the first set of stairs. Dave will contact Glenn Smith for the code requirements for the height of the railing. Dave noted he will add coasters to the doors under the stage to prevent further scraping of the floor.

Highway Garage-Elite Builders, Brad Walsh, installed the gutters on the highway garage per the quote \$2,152. He was \$140 cheaper than the quote received from Dustin Winn. Dave stated there is an issue with the electrical outlets in his office. One Way Construction needs to be notified; Glenn stated he did not receive an electrical inspection on the DPW garage.

Well No. 1 & 3-Smith Well Drilling last cleaned Well 1 in 1997 and Well 3 in 2004. Trustee Leiser requested he clean both wells.

William Street Design-A meeting with Brendon Fitzgerald from Hudson Valley Engineering is scheduled for January. Trustee Leiser will meet with Mayor Dunham and Brendon Fitzgerald to discuss the replacements of the water lines.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The CEO/ZEO's monthly report was received with \$365.00 of fees collected.

NYS Unified Solar Permit-Glenn recommends adopting the NYS Unifies Solar Permit recommended by NYSERDA. The following Resolution was made by Mayor Dunham; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted "aye"

WHEREAS, New York State has developed a unified solar photovoltaic permitting process designed to streamline municipal permitting which will reduce costs for solar projects and support the growth of clean energy jobs across the state, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Kinderhook is desirous of participating in the unified permitting process, thereby increasing the Village's eligibility for various incentives and grants through the New York state Energy Research and Development Authority; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Village of Kinderhook adopts the New York State Unified Solar Permit as attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Village Climate Smart Committee to complete the grant application through the Streamlined Permitting Program to allow for the Village to receive a grant award up to \$2,500 from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority for the adoption of the Unified Solar Permit Application; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately and a copy of this resolution, with Exhibit 1, shall be provided to the Code Enforcement/Zoning Enforcement Office.

### **TREE FUND**

Mayor Dunham is receiving quotes for the trimming and or removal of several trees in the village. Trustee Leiser requested the tree by the pump station at the Fire House be added to the list.

### **TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY**

A meeting with WSP Parsons and Brinckerhoff is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 7:00 pm to discuss preliminary results of the traffic study.

Mayor Dunham will contact DOT to discuss Mr. Peckner's concerns of the speed of trucks on Rt. 9. He will request a copy of the last study done by NYS Troopers and share with the Village Trustees.

### **CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES**

The committee meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 pm. Mr. Mancini thanked the Village Board for passing the NYS Solar Permit Resolution recommended by NYSEERDA.

### **INSURANCE**

DPW Cost for Fire-Trustee Phillips reported Matt Sherman will stop next week in the office to pick up Morris Associated invoices for reimbursement.

Fire alarms-Trustee Puckett is waiting for a revised quote from S&F Technologies to include items SimplexGrinnell had in their quote to compare the quotes on equal terms. He has not received a callback from the third vendor.

Elevator-The elevator is not working in the village hall. Simons Elevator was out to fix the elevator but it is still not working. The village clerk called to have them return but no one has called her back. Trustee Puckett called Simmons Elevator to discuss maintenance agreement and he has not received a return call. Trustee Puckett requested the clerk follow up one more time.

### **PAYROLL**

Clerk Heeder reported that Bi-Weekly payroll was implemented starting January 1, 2017.

### **ZONING BOARD**

No monthly meeting was held.

### **PLANNING BOARD**

The planning board approved the site plan for Great Lengths Hair Studio at 4 Chatham Street.

POD Regulations-Village Attorney Robert Fitzsimmons submitted draft regulations for the use of PODS for the board to review.

Solar Panel Regulations-Matt Cabral presented solar panel regulations for the board to review.

Sandwich Board Sign Regulations-The board is reviewing regulations to allow businesses to place sandwich board signs in the village square.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE**

The SEQR was printed in the DEC Environmental Notice Bulletin today as required and a copy will be sent to the Columbia County Planning Board.

Mark Brown received printing quotes from three vendors he will choose the lowest quote with copies made double sided unless the maps need to be printed single sided.

### **VILLAGE ELECTIONS**

Polling Place- Mayor Dunham made the following motion; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted "aye".

**WHEREAS** the General Village Election of the Village of Kinderhook will be held on March 21, 2017,

**NOW BE IT RESOLVED** that the polling place for such election will be at the Village Hall, 6 Chatham Street in the Village of Kinderhook and that the polls will be open from noon until nine o'clock in the evening.

Election Inspectors-The following Resolution was made by Mayor Dunham; seconded by Trustee Baumeister. All voted "aye".

**RESOLVED THAT:** The following persons are appointed inspectors for the village election to be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2017.

Linda Moran, Chairman  
Sue Lauster  
Mary Longacker  
Geraldine Smith

William Mancini, Alternate

**WHEREAS**, Registration Day is required to accomplish this action, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Registration Day will be held for the Village of Kinderhook General Election on March 11, 2017, 12 noon to 5 PM at the Village Hall.

Inspectors of Election will meet at the foregoing place to prepare a register for the Village Election.

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

No monthly meeting was held.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

The EDC Director's monthly report was received.

Renee requested the village board review the draft letter of support for legislation to allow ride-sharing services throughout New York State, including Columbia County and the Hudson

Valley. Trustee Puckett requested she wait until the Governor introduces his budget. He will send Renee the bill number for her to reference in her letter.

Lighting Study- A meeting with Sage Associates is scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

African-American Cemetery- Warren Applegate and Ruth Piwonka are working on the cemetery and the signage.

Naming of the Village Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> fl- Renee will work on the contest for the naming of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Village Hall. The village board will judge the contest.

Kinderhook Creek Access- The designation of Kinderhook Creek as an inland waterway was included in the bill.

## **CAPITAL PROJECT PLANNING**

Mayor Dunham started to work on the Capital project planning with the current and future projects for the village. He scheduled a Special meeting for Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 7:30 pm.

## **VILLAGE HALL**

Village Hall Bathrooms-Signs for the 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathroom doors are on.

2<sup>nd</sup> fl Repairs- A railing and miscellaneous repairs can be done by the village DPW this winter including changing of the men's room toilet. A quote to replace the bathrooms during the budget process should be obtained.

## **UNPAID WATER AND SEWER BILLS**

One unpaid sewer bill and two unpaid water bills due to foreclosure.

## **WASTEWATER COLLECTION PROJECT**

One pump was not working properly was due to the clotting of towels/rags. An email will be sent to the 35 property owners reminding them what not to put down the system. When Emmons Pump was there they believe we are having a siphoning issue and feels an anti-siphon valve needs to be installed. Trustee Phillips inquired if this is a flaw in the design. Mayor Dunham is unsure and will be doing some research and will total all the expenses thus far with the issues since the system was installed.

## **MILLS PARK**

Mayor Dunham will contact John Reilly concerning the purchase of new signs.

## **APPLICATIONS**

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

- a. Northern Columbia Little League is requesting the Baseball Diamond, Softball Diamond, Little League Diamond and Pavilion from 4/8 early evening and all day 4/29 for opening day.

## **RECREATION COMMISSION**

The meeting was cancelled and will not be rescheduled for the month.

## **KBPA**

No meeting held.

## **TAXPAYER TIME**

Proposed Car Wash in Valatie-Mayor Dunham will send a letter on behalf of the village with concerns of the village's water supply.

A motion made by Mayor Dunham to adjourn the village board meeting at 8:46 pm and enter into executive session on property acquisition; seconded by Trustee Phillips.

Mayor Dunham made a motion to adjourn the executive session at 8:53pm; seconded by Trustee Phillips. All voted "aye".

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole H. Heeder  
Village Clerk