Minutes Regular Monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Present: Mayor James Dunham

Trustees: Richard Phillips Dale Leiser Robert Baumeister David Flaherty

<u>Also attending</u>: DPW Sup't, David Booth; Fire Captain, Larry Eisen; EDC Director, Renee Shur and Climate Smart committee Chair, William Mancini. Village Residents: Nick Eisen and John Meade.

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

#### TAXPAYER TIME

No comments received.

#### MINUTES

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving the minutes of May 9, 2018 Regular monthly meeting; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

#### **BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

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

## General Fund

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
A.1210.4 Mayor Contractual	A.1110.4 Justice Contractual	\$ 1.84
A.3310.4 Traffic Control Contractual	A.3120.4 Police Contractual	\$ 147.64
A.3410.43 Fire Equipment Maintenance	A.3410.4 Fire Department Contractual	\$ 768.13
A.4090.4 Environmental Health Contractual	A.4020.4 Registrar of Vital Statistics Contractual	\$ 30.00
A.1990.4 Contingent Account	A.5132.4 Central Garage Contractual	\$ 2,171.77
A.7140.41 Recreation Rec. Committee Cont.	A.7140.4 Recreation Contractual	\$ 479.64
A.9010.8 State Retirement	A.8161.4 Leaf Pick Up Contractual	\$ 1,342.13
A.5142.1 Snow Removal Personal Service	A.8170.1 Street Cleaning Personal Service	\$ 454.88
A.5142.1 Snow Removal Personal Service	A.8560.1Shade Trees Personal Services	\$ 180.75
A.9040.8 Workers Compensation	A.9055.8 Disability Insurance	\$ 142.40

#### Water Fund

FROM	TO	AM	<u>OUNT</u>
F.8330.4 Purification Contractual	F.8340.2 Transmission & Distribution Equipment	<b>\$</b> 1	,838.91
F.8330.4 Purification Contractual	F.8340.4 Transmission & Distribution Contractual	\$	27.24

## ABSTRACT

A motion made by Trustee Flaherty approving the abstract in the amount of \$31,348.37; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

#### **MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

Mayor Dunham and Fire Chief Eisen will attend the Parade meeting on May 16, 2108. The Parade will be in the Village of Kinderhook. Lineup will begin at 9:30am on Catskill View. The State Police and the Sheriff's office have been contacted for traffic control.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Captain, Larry Eisen submitted the monthly fire incident report noting 4 calls, 1 detail and 2 drills logged. Flow tests for the air paks have been scheduled for May 30, 2018. First Assistant Chief, David Bartlett will be scheduling the recertification of AED training for the Firemen, Village Board members and employees of the village if interested.

<u>Fire Truck Savings Account</u>-A motion made by Trustee Phillips to move \$25,000 from the village budget A.3410.43 to the Fire truck Savings account; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

#### DPW

Superindent, David Booth reported the following duties for the month was: mulching of the Village Square and playground; completed extensive repair to one of the village's mower; cleaning and repair of pic-nic tables. He would like to pave the shoulder of the road along Albany Ave. Trustee Baumeister authorized the purchase of four new pic-nic tables. Mr. Booth thanked Asst. Superindent Robert Meehan and part time DPW helper, Nate Becker for filling in during his absence.

<u>Water Department</u>-Pumphouse Roof- Trustee Leiser believes there maybe asbestos in the roof on the pumphouse. He will have Alpine Environmental Services inspect for asbestos and give a quote for removal. He will also request quotes for a new roof on the pumphouse.

#### **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The CEO/ZEO's monthly report was received with 11 permits issued and \$1,035.00 of fees collected.

<u>Zombie Properties Ordinance-</u> Trustee Phillips would like clarification of the proposed ordinance compared to the village's building code local law. He does not want too many laws that may conflict with each other or a law that we already have in our code book.

#### TREES

Mayor Dunham will request quotes for the removal of trees at 13 Hudson St. and 14 Slyvester St.

## TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY

Residents along Rothermel Ave have seen a noticeable decrease of speed with the use of the variable speed sign. The sign will be used on Rothermel a lot during Little League for safety concerns.

## CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE

William Mancini would like to add village resident Cammie Salazar to the task Force.

The Food Smart Community/Earth Day Events took place on April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Task Force received a great deal of positive feedback. The Task Force cosponsored the weekend program with the Friends of the Kinderhook Memorial Library, the KPBA and the Village's Office of Economic Development. William Mancini gave a special thanks to the members of the subcommittee who planned and organized the events, Renee Shur, Bonnie Shannon, Sandy Meier, Seth Agata and Warren Applegate. This group of people has agreed to continue to work with the task force to pursue other projects and initiatives such as community composting and food waste recycling.

<u>Village Solar</u>-William Mancini and Trustee Leiser met with a representative of Monolith Solar to discuss the possibility of using solar energy to power the village buildings. Due to limited space available to the Village, he suggested subscribing to a solar farm rather than installing panels on rooftops or ground mounted panels behind the Firehouse. They also had a conference call with Candace Rossi of NYSERDA to arrange an onsite review of the Village's electrical usage and to make recommendations on solar energy options. Mr. Mancini forwarded the Village's National Grid billing information for 2017 to Ms. Rossi for analysis. She will contact us to set up a one on one discussion with a NYSERDA representative.

## WILLIAM STREET RT. 9 TO MAIDEN LANE

Mayor Dunham and Trustee Leiser met with Hudson Valley Engineering and TGW Consulting Group on April 25<sup>th</sup> to consider separating the water line work from the repaving work to save money. The village can bid out the materials and the contractors to save money. Mayor Dunham will contact HVEA to see if they have had time to review the proposed change.

## **GHENT BAND**

The Ghent Band will play in the Village Square the last four Wednesdays evenings in August. An email blast will be sent advertising the change of nights.

# NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE TRAINING FOR PLANNING

The training is good for any new zoning board members. Training will be held on June  $15^{\text{th}}$  in Cairo.

## **ZONING BOARD**

A new application/handbook for applicants to assist them in the process of what is needed and or required to go before the zoning board is being created. Mayor Dunham reported William Van Alstyne has asked to resign from the ZBA. He will stay on until he is replaced.

## PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board held their annual Organizational meeting. Matt Cabral was appointed Chair, Kevin Monahan as Vice Chair and Abraham Van Alstyne as Secretary.

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Mayor Dunham, CEO/ZEO, Glenn Smith and members of the HPC Commission met with Julian Adams the State Coordinator for the NYS Parks and Historic Preservation on April 19<sup>th</sup>. A discussion on the status of 6 William Street was the main focus of the meeting. The previous owner, Jeff Pinkowski was given a Certificate of Appropriateness in 2016. He performed additional work on the house without going before the HPC Committee. CEO/ZEO gave a stop work order to Mr. Pinkowski. He then sold the house to Mr. Riddle who would like to finish the work. The question to have the new owners remove the unapproved windows was discussed. Mr. Adams does not feel the new owners should have to go to the expense of removal of the windows. He feels the six over

six window panes would have been better but does not feel the village should pursue the change with the new owner.

A discussion of where did things go wrong and how does the Village Board ensure this does not happen again. Mayor Dunham stated moving forward when the code enforcement officer issues a stop work order the village board should be notified and should receive a copy of the work order sent to the property owner. The Code Enforcement Officer needs to go by the conditions given by the Historic Preservation Commission in their Certificate of Approprietness.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

The EDC Director's monthly report was received.

<u>Food Truck night</u>- Starting May 24<sup>th</sup> a food truck will be in the village square every Thursday from 4:30pm-8:30pm. Two food trucks will alternate Thursday unless the volume is in need of both food trucks weekly.

<u>Farmer's Market Sign</u>-Renee is requesting a sign be placed at the fire house for the entire season advertising the Farmer's Market. Or with permission of Samascott's Market place one in front of their guard rail.

<u>Van Buren Hall</u>- Renee is impressed with Ken Neilson's conceptual drawings of the proposed changes of Van Buren Hall. She may have a local architect who will complete architectural drawings pro bono.

<u>National Grid Main Street Revitalization Grant Program</u>-Next week Renee will meet with a representative of National Grid to tour the vacant buildings including the vacant lot to determine eligibility of the program.

<u>Netherlands Sister City</u>- The Mayor of Buren will be visiting Kinderhook this summer for several days. Renee will work closely with Village Historian, Ruth Piwonka on an itinerary.

<u>Hudson Greenway Grant for Kinderhook Creek Recreation Study</u>-The village was not awarded the Greenway Grant. The villages requested \$27,000 and Hudson Greenway had \$33,000 to give. <u>Tent</u>-Trustee Phillips made a motion to purchase a large tent for village events spending up to \$2,500; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

# NYSDOT

<u>Crosswalks</u>-A letter dated May 2, 2018 from NYS Department of Transportation stated they conducted a study for the installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Route 9 and Eichybush Road. Due to the required ADA curbing ramps that are not at that location they will not be installing a crosswalk or allowing a crosswalk to be installed.

# VILLAGE HALL

<u>Van Buren Hall Projects</u>-the Village Board will review Ken Neilson's plans for changes to Van Buren Hall. Trustee Flaherty would like to consider the village going from two oil boilers to one high efficiency propane boiler.

<u>Buildings Saving account</u>-A motion made by Trustee Flaherty to move \$20,000 from the buildings budget to the buildings savings account for future repairs to the Village Hall; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

<u>Masonry work</u>-Trustee Flaherty will be meeting with a contractor Friday evening between 6-7 pm to discuss the masonry work

<u>Village Hall speaker system</u> on hold until the grant may be applied for with the Unified Justice Court.

<u>Emergency stairs</u>- S&S Fabrication will be submitting a quote to have the stairs replaced in galvanized steel.

## **IT CONTRACT**

The meeting with former Trustee Brain Murphy, Trustee David Flaherty and Clerk/Treasurer Heeder will be rescheduled for a later date.

# VILLAGE POLICIES

Trustee Phillips forwarded a draft workplace violence policy to Trustee Flaherty and Clerk/Treasurer for review before submitting a final draft to the village board for adoption.

## **UNPAID WATER, SEWER & TAX BILLS**

Water bills- the late water letters were mailed to all residents with unpaid water bills.

# WASTE WATER COLLECTION PROJECT

<u>Anti-Siphon Valve</u>- Mayor Dunham stated the readings have been consistent with the total water reading received.

## ALBANY HUDSON ELECTRIC TRAIL

Andy Beers from Hudson Valley Greenway and Mayor Dunham met with Samascott's to discuss the trail to be constructed along their orchard onto Sunset Ave across Albany Ave and to go through the Butterfly Garden. Mayor Dunham is hopeful an agreement will be made.

## SIDEWALK

Mayor Dunham and Trustee Leiser are considering the replacement of sidewalk in front of St. Paul's Church parking lot.

## APPLICATIONS

A motion made by Trustee Phillips denying application (b.) due to a home occupation requesting a sign in the business district and approving all others; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

- a. Friends of Kinderhook Library is requesting a sign, Village Square, May25th -June 10th advertising a book sale
- b. Hands of Bleu is requesting a sign, Village Square from May 1st- Sept 29th to advertise her business
- c. Kinderhook Library is requesting Van Buren Hall, July 31st at 5:00 pm to hold a Library Program
- d. Kinderhook Library is requesting the Pavilion, June 27th at 5:00 pm, petting zoo
- e. Kinderhook Library is requesting Van Buren Hall, Wednesdays July 1th =Aug 14th; 10 am-noon
- f. Kinderhook Library is requesting the Pavilion, Aug 1st at 5:00 pm and Van Buren Hall if it rains
- g. Melody Konderoich is requesting the Playground pavilion on Saturday, May 19th 12 noon to 3pm
- h. Tim Ebneth is requesting Van Buren Hall on Thursdays; 9:30am-1:30pm and Saturdays; 10:30am-2:30pm

## **RECREATION COMMISSION**

The commission's meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2018. Interviews for the summer program will be held.

# KBPA

The KBPA is preparing for the Craft Fair on June 2, 2018 with the Fyfe & Drumm Parade.

# TAXPAYER TIME

Trustee Phillips requested the garbage from the OK5K race be placed in the village dumpster. He also reported the light out on pole #678 in front of Tom Hunt's office. He feels should be replaced for safety.

<u>Sandwich Board sign regulations for businesses</u>- Regulations of style and size of a sandwich board sign were discussed. Trustee Flaherty offered to speak to business owners about the style of their signs keeping things neat and tidy before going to stricter guidelines.

Mayor Dunham made a motion to close the Regular meeting and enter into executive session for personnel at 9:20 pm; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

A motion made by Trustee Phillips approving Village Clerk/Treasurer Heeder to keep her 29 unused vacation days and to be used within a three year period; seconded by Trustee Flaherty. All voted "aye".

A motion made by Trustee Baumeister to adjourn executive session at 9:28 pm; seconded by Trustee Leiser. All voted "aye".

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole H. Heeder Village Clerk