

Village of Otisville

Regular Meeting

June 15, 2020

Meeting was called to order by President Jeff Lutze at 7:01 p.m. in the Tom Bess, Jr. Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Jeff Lutze, President, Council Members present: Sherry Hemingway, Paul Harmon, Rick Ferguson, John Ray, Jim Price, Randy Enicks, Bob Jennings, DPW, Dan Campbell, Deputy Clerk, Matt Grovesteen, Police Chief, Secretary Kathy Martini.

ABSENT: N/A

AUDIENCE: David Lewis, Wendy Sweeney, Robert Jennings, Sr., Steed Mills, Tom Bess

DISCUSSION:

David Lewis – Receipt of a Law Suit. The decision was in 1965 by John W. Baker that McCormick Lake was 550 feet. What are we going to do about McCormick Lake levels? We are not able to do anything until the County fixes the Dam by Otis, which controls the lake levels. Genesee County Drain Commission looked at it and the residents will have to do the work. The resident is satisfied with the outcome, since he spoke with the Genesee County Drain Commissioner. Cemetery Road has flooding issues for the past 55 years. The flooding is due to the road erosion. Who is the Village Attorney and what do we pay? The Village Attorney is Nimmo Ridley and we are billed by the hour on an as needed basis.

Bob Jennings, Sr. – I am very impressed by the summer help. The two young gentlemen did a fabulous job in my yard. Thank you. The apartment complex needs to keep their lawn mowed.

Tom Bess – Conlee lawn is high. Off M-15 there needs to be some clean up, as there is a trailer in the front yard and 3 vehicles behind the home.

Bob Jennings, Jr. - The Village has sent out about 30 blight/lawn letters to community residents, let me know if you see something. Keep a check on 304 Wilson Road and keep dates and times and what is going on. The summer help will keep things going. They have mowed Dollar General's lawn. Conlee just mowed their lawn. It is against the law to have someone back out of their driveway onto a highway with a hookup to a truck. They need a legal turnaround. The bad roads are East and West of Wilson Road. New Budget – will get 2 more quotes for 111 Center Street to resolve the flooding. Sand separator – sewer pumps irrigating. The well behind the Village estimate was \$10 to \$12 K to replace the roof and wrap the outside. We took care of the black mold and we are going to put a metal roof and spray paint for roughly \$2K. Main Street pump repairs is out about 3-4 weeks. DPW – Randy, Sherry Paul and Bobby need to meet after the Council meeting.

Matt – Purchased a 2020 Chevy Tahoe. The color is a light silver. Took it to the build up shop – the spare light bar was dead. Caleb has a light bar that is going to be installed. The money is coming from the Vehicle Inspection fund. We are keeping the old cruiser for a spare. The insurance for the year is minimal. Evidence room, bathroom plumbing and electrical is going to be done soon. Police hours are back to normal. FEMA reimbursed the Pandemic Police extra hours, masks and hand sanitizer.

Kathy – There is a lot to BS&A and am learning something new every day.

Dan – 2021 Budget updated Revenue Sharing – I will show Kathy how to upload.

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

Work Share Program – The Village re-opened to the public on 06-07-2020. The Village could save approximately 5-7K at the end of the budget this year. Unemployment is 20% of 362, we would maintain full time. Through CARES it does not affect unemployment. There will be no OT for Bobby and Dan and they will stagger their days/split schedule. Park Street Pool – Mike from Water and Waste dropped the vegetation. There is no fence and building materials in the hole.

Community Standards:

MOTION was made by Paul Harmon and was supported by Jim Price to accept the agenda as presented.

CARRIED — ROLL CALL – Discussion None – MOTION PASSED

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Paul Harmon to accept the minutes for May 18, 2020.

CARRIED — ROLL CALL – Discussion None – MOTION PASSED

MOTION was made by Sherry Hemingway and was supported by Rick Ferguson to pay all bills and draw warrants for same.

CARRIED — ROLL CALL— — MOTION PASSED

MOTION was made by Jeff Lutze and was supported by Sherry Hemingway for the Public Hearing for Rate Fees. CARRIED – ROLL CALL – Discussion Repair cost on pumps were 40K. Three pumps when down during the Pandemic due to flushable wipe.-. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION was made by John Ray and supported by Rick Ferguson to go to the regular session meeting. CARRIED – ROLL CALL – Discussion – N/A - MOTION PASSED.

MOTION was made by John Ray and supported by Rick Ferguson to approve the Fee schedule. CARRIED - ROLL CALL – Discussion – N/A - MOTION PASSED.

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Sherry Hemingway to approve the General Operating millage of 11.0235 Mills.

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Sherry Hemingway to approve the Village Improvement of 5 Mills for a total of 16.0253 Mills. CARRIED – ROLL CALL – Discussion – N/A – MOTION PASSED.

MOTION was made by Jim Price and was supported by Sherry Hemingway to approve the Willow Springs Golf Outing and the Block party with the purchase of the signage. CARRIED – ROLL CALL – Discussion - Wendy Sweeney & Steed Mills – Willow Springs Golf Outing will be August 15, 2020 and the Block Party with food trucks will be August 22, 2020. We have \$4,500.00 in the bank in good standing. We have a couple of businesses making contributions. We will get half the profit from the beer tent. Looking to see if the Fire Department wants to participate this year. Last year we did not charge the food trucks a fee to participate – looking into charging a fee this year. Due to Covid-19, we will rent extra hand washing stations. The Corn Hole competition may not take place this year, due to the person who ran the Corn Hole competition is not available this year. Have to purchase signage. The cost will be approximately \$100.00. This year we will not put a date on the signage and just list last Saturday in July. MOTION PASSED

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Randy Enicks for the paving of Hamill Road for 80,577.85. CARRIED – ROLL CALL – Discussion – Eastern Asphalt had the lowest bid; we will receive grant money of \$15,000.00 from the township for the project. We will spend \$65,577.85. MOTION PASSED

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Sherry Hemingway to approve the work share program. CARRIED – ROLL CALL – Discussion – As long as the work gets done. MOTION PASSED

COMMUNITY STANDARDS:

1. DPW Workshop—Siding/Getting Estimates
2. Village Pole Barn—Sky Light
3. Well 1 & 2—Siding
4. 450 S. State—Car Behind House
5. 225 Jefferson—Blight
6. 139 S. State—Blight/Sign
7. 205 N. Jefferson – Truck/Blight -Added 10/7/19
8. 302 W. Main St. –Blight
9. 125 E. Main St. – Cars in yard running, plated and insured? Motor Homes moved.
10. 147 S. State Rd. – progress of repairs. (Converting to single dwelling by Summer 2020)

MOTION was made by Randy Enicks and was supported by Rick Ferguson to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Next meeting will be July 6, 2020.



Kathy Martini, Clerk

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