REGULAR SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUTEES ON APRIL 9, 2024 AT VILLAGE HALL 61 FRONT STREET, DEPOSIT NY AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Moore, Trustees Warner, Durning and Strauss, C/T Budine, DC/T Shirkey, DPW Supervisor Steve Evans, Fire Chief Rynearson, BC Sheriff Reksc, Jamie and Mike Ballard, Mike Musante and Mr. Petrie.

Mayor Moore led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION#51/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss and seconded by Trustee Durning to waive the reading of the March 12, 2024 Regular Session minutes and the March 26, 2024 Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#52/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee Durning to accept for filing the March 12, 2024 Regular Session minutes and the March 26, 2024 Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#53/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss and seconded by Trustee Durning to accept for filing the monthly Treasurer's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

STREETS, WATER, SEWER

DPW Supervisor Evans reported that the water leak survey had identified 2 areas of interest. A leak has also been found on Marvin Street, this was a good find. The roof of the garage is now fixed. The kick off meeting with Keystone is scheduled for this Friday at 1:00 here at Village Hall.

PRESIDENT

Mayor Moore read a letter from Nicole Dennis requesting that sidewalks be installed on Ford Hill. The Board took no action and will investigate the situation further. Mr. Moore stated that at long last he will be signing the closing documents for 125 Front Street and 5 Church Street, tomorrow. He would like to use the proceeds to possibly pay for a new website and maintenance of that web site. The Board agreed that he should move forward with getting quotes for this project.

Mayor Moore state that he had received a letter from members of the fire department stating that the election that was held was not done in the correct manner. After consulting with the Village Attorney, we are advised to reject the results of the election. The Attorney also instructed the Board to meet with the current Chief and 1st Assistant Chief and obtain the response percentages before the first Tuesday in May, at which time the new election will be held. It was stressed that all the bylaws should be followed without exception.

MOTION#54/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss and seconded by Trustee Durning to reject the slate of Officers and schedule a new election on the first Tuesday of May. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Moore distributed the new proposed figures for the Broome County Sheriff contract. The current contract is for \$80,000 for this fiscal year. The proposed increases received from Sheriff Akshar are as follows: FY 2025-\$142,205.51, FY 2026 \$146,119.05 and FY 2027-\$150,150.36 which equals a 77.8% increase of the contract in FY 2025 and a 2.8% increase each year after. The Board agreed to have the Mayor contact Mr. Akshar to find a number that would be a more manageable increase to the taxpayers of the Village.

TRUSTEES

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Rynearson reported that the mini pumper has been delivered. There is some paperwork that needs to be completed and he will meet with the Clerk Treasurer to get that information. Then Mr. Rynearson can send it back to the company so that we may get a title.

FINANCE

MOTION#55/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve for payment vouchers on Abstract #2 as listed:

General Fund	\$ 20,301.63
Water Fund	\$ 9,637.10
Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 11,735.37</u>
	\$ 41,674.10

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#56/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Durning and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve the Facilities use agreement for the Deposit Chamber of Commerce for Thursday April 11 at 7PM. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#57/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Durning and seconded by Trustee Warner to allow the Mayor's signature on the CDBG Program Income Report for FY 4/1/23-3/31/24. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#58/24-25

A motin was made by Trustee Strauss and seconded by Trustee Durning to allow \$8,219.14 to be taken from General Fund Fund balance to pay for exceptions and cancellations of 2023-24 returned taxes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#59/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss and seconded by Trustee Warner to take \$736.40 from General Fund Fund balance to pay for building materials for the Community Garden. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Moore also reminded everyone that the Chamber is in need of members. He stated that you don't have to own a business to be a member of the Chamber of Commerce. If anyone is interested please attend their meetings.

<u>GUESTS</u>

Jamie Ballard asked if the street by her house would be paved after NYSEG gets done with their work. She also asked if anything could be done about the hot tub in the lawn on the corner of Elm and Front Streets. The Board will contact the Code Enforcement officer concerning this and the garbage on Front Street.

MOTION#60/24-25

A motion was made by Trustee Durning and seconded by Trustee Warner to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen L. Budine Clerk Treasurer