

REGULAR SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUTEES ON AUGUST 10, 2021
AT VILLAGE HALL 61 FRONT ST., AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Moore, Trustees Brown, and Warner, C/T Budine, DC/T Shirkey, DPW Supervisor Steve Evans, Mike Musante, Ken Ellsworth, Dave Ohman, Bill Brown, John Saraceno, Helen Budrock and Bridget Davis.

ABSENT: Trustee Durning and Price

Ken Ellsworth spoke to the board about Keystone Engineer's grant writing services. The spoke about their collaboration with Delaware Engineering and presented to the board a long list of expertise and successful grant applications. The Village Board thanked Mr. Ellsworth and his Associates for coming and presenting their grant writing services.

MOTION#124/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to waive the reading of the July 13th Regular and the July 27th Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#125/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to accept for filing of the July 13th and Regular and the July 27th Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#126/20-21

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

STREETS

DPW Supervisor Evans told the board that they were still blacktopping streets. Mr. Evans said that he had meet with Broome County and their contractor, to discuss the Mill Street project. He said there will be a J hook above the bridge and two structures for the water mains. The permits for the project are in. He went on to say that Broome County will be paying for the Jhook and the gravel reconstruction of the stream bed. The contractor will speak with the DEC to see if there is additional funding for the structures for the water mains. Mr. Evans will also get a quote for the building of the water structures to protect them from high water incidents. The contractor will be working on the weekends to get the project done.

Mr. Evans asked if Ms. Davis could mention in the newspaper that the recycling center is not a dump. People need to use their garbage collection service for garbage. He stated that we do have fines for dumping garbage and the video has been reviewed. Tickets will be issued and fines charged for dumping.

WATER/SEWER

No business

FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOTION#127/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to purchase a pick truck for the fire department to haul turn out gear in for \$48,919, with \$10,000.00 coming for the Bluestone wind donation, \$15,000 from the end of year transfer to reserve and the balance \$23,919 coming from Fire Department reserves. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#128/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve the purchase of a truck cap for \$2,300, to come from Fire Department Reserves. Motion passed unanimously.

TRUSTEES

Trustee Warner wanted to thank Steve and the crew for paving the streets.

PRESIDENT

Mayor Moore stated that he would like to seek approval to send out letters to landlords with nuisance properties, informing them that the Village will consider starting the lockdown process for their property.

MOTION#129/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to allow letters to be sent to two nuisance properties, one on Dean Street and one on Second Street. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Moore also wanted to thank the DPW for weeding the flower beds on Front Street. He also informed everyone that Chris Zacharias had said that they will be having a 9/11 Memorial at 6PM. More information will follow.

Trustee Warner wanted to thank Chris Zacharias and Eric Dermit for the fence around the 9/11 monument.

FINANCE

Clerk Treasurer Budine informed the board that the Village had received a thank you card from the Lumberjack Festival Committee. The note stated their appreciation to the Village for everything they do for the Lumberjack Festival and requesting that the Village put \$1,000 in the budget for next year for a possible donation to the Festival.

MOTION#130/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve for payment the Abstract of Audited #6 of audited vouchers as listed:

General Fund	\$ 95,586.49
Water Fund	\$ 477.98
Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 99,753.81</u>
	\$195,818.28

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#131/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the Mayor's signature on the NYSEG LED upgrade to 2 flood lights in the Village. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#132/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve \$112.50 from General Fund, Fund balance to pay for Court Clerk wages. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#133/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the application of Wilson Children's Center 5k scheduled for October 10th at 10 AM. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#134/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve voucher #69 on Abstract 5 of also audited vouchers. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Moore said that the Village had received a letter from Paul Lantz on Main Street about cars driving over the speed limit. Mr. Lantz was requesting that the Village look into putting speed bumps on Main Street. Mayor Moore stated that speed bumps are for parking lots and school zones. He went on to say that there is always someone who speeds and that speed bumps would create another hazard. Mr. Moore stated that the Fire Department was against this and the DPW Supervisor agreed it would not be a good idea. It was suggest by Trustee Brown to have the mobile speed radar brought in. Mr. Moore said he would make BC Sheriff aware of the situation.

Mayor Moore also informed everyone that the weekly Covid zoom meetings with Jason Garner have started again. Case numbers are going up, but there is not a mask mandate yet. It does look like everyone will have to wear masks in school when it starts.

MOTION#135/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to allow Keystone Engineers to also do our grant writing since they are already familiar with our needs. Motion passed unanimously.

GUESTS

Mike Musante stated that he had come to ask permission to week the flower beds on Front Street but on his walk he had notice that it had already been done.

Bridget Davis asked where we were at with the recycling bins and Mayor Moore stated that Trustee Durning was still working on it.

Mayor Moore also said that he had had complaints about some properties receiving grass violations and some had not. He said he would speak to the Code Enforcement Officer about this. He went on to say that if nothing was done about the clean up on Allen Street by the work session he would send a letter to the property owner. Trustee Brown asked if daily fines could be assessed.

Ms. Davis asked the status of the property on Front Street. Mr. Moore stated that there had been confusion with the court assigning a law guardian for the properties. He said that our lawyer was working on straightening this out.

Mayor Moore said the Village had received another cash offer for old Village Hall and he was consulting with our lawyer to see what could be done, since the original buyer is not moving forward.

MOTION#136/21-22

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to adjourn into at 8:15PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen L. Budine
Clerk Treasurer