

REGULAR SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUTEES ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020 AT VILLAGE HALL 61 FRONT STREET, DEPOSIT NY AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Moore, Trustees Durning, Brown and Warner, C/T Budine, DC/T Shirkey, DPW Supervisor Steve Evans, Fire Chief Shaun Rynearson, Chris Zacharias, Jim Ficurilli, Melissa Bishop, Sue Bishop and Bridget Davis.

ABSENT: Trustee Smith

Mayor Moore opened the public hearing on LL#4 of 2020 tax cap override. CT Budine explained that every year we override the tax cap in case we have to go over the amount allowed. Melissa Bishop asked what the tax cap was for. CT Budine explained that the State sets the amount to protect the taxpayer from huge increases in taxes.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:02 PM.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 4 of 2020

**WHEREAS**, a resolution was duly adopted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Deposit for a public hearing to be held by said Board at the 61 Front Street, Deposit, New York at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, to hear all interested parties on proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2020, entitled "A Local Law Authorizing a Property Tax Levy in Excess of the Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c"; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the Deposit Courier, the official newspaper of the Village and posted on the Village Clerk's sign board and the Village's website; and

**WHEREAS**, said public hearing was duly held at Village Hall on November 10, 2020, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Deposit, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Village to adopt said Local Law No. 4 of 2020,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Deposit hereby adopts said Local Law as Local Law No. 4 for 2020 and the Village Clerk is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and in the Local Law Book of the Village of Deposit, and to file said Local Law with the Secretary of State.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Ayes:   4        Nays:   0        Absent:   1  

Trustee Brown voting        A    
Trustee Durning voting      A    
Trustee Smith voting        Absent    
Trustee Warner voting       A    
  
Mayor Moore voting         A  

Dated: November   10  , 2020

Jim Ficurilli from Deposit Rotary presented the board with the plans for Memorial Park. He explained that phase 1 was complete, getting the 911 Memorial installed. Phase 2 is contingent on acquiring the adjacent land. He stated that Broome County was very excited with the project and wants to help with the acquisition of the adjacent property. After the park was completed Rotary would turn all of it over to the Village. Jim stated that Broome County would like a letter of support from the Village Board. He said that it will take a few years to raise the significant amount of money needed to complete the park.

Mayor Moore stated that he would like to move forward and have a letter of support written for the project. Chris Zacharias stated that the parcels of land need to be acquired produced very little tax income to the Village. Melissa Bishop stated that it was a lovely plan and asked if there would be different monuments for wars. Jim said that they would like to honor all who served and it would require a lot of research. The plan was to have a memorial for each war with the names of those that served. They would also like to honor the Fire and Police Departments too. The park would also have tables and benches so that people could enjoy the space. Jim wanted to thank the board for all their help and also to thank Steve and the DPW. Everyone has been there when they needed them.

#### MOTION#175/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Durning to have CT Budine write a letter of support to the Rotary for the Memorial Park and the acquisition of the adjacent property. Motion passed unanimously.

#### MOTION#176/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to waive the reading of the October 13, 2020 Regular Session and the October 27, 2020 Budget and Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

#### MOTION#177/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Brown to accept for filing of the October 13, 2020 Regular Session and the October 27, 2020 Budget and Work Session minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

#### MOTION#178/20-21

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 reported that the leave sucker has been broken and was being. Steve also said that the blacktopping for the season has finished. He also informed the board that they did a water main dig on Airport road.

Steve said that winter parking rules were now in effect and that Officer Fish would be enforcing them. Supervisor Evans wanted to thank the Town of Deposit and Bruce Loudon for fixing the leaf sucker.

Mayor Moore also wanted to thank the Town of Deposit and Bruce Loudon for their help, it means a lot.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Rynearson stated that the Quint is at Har-Rob being fixed and the squad is still out of service.

Chris Zacharias stated that Eastern Broome was behind in call volume because of Covid 19, but they are in a financially good place. EBS are paying off the new ambulance at double pace. The goal is just to roll the payments over to a new ambulance when this one is paid off. They would like to keep a fleet of 4.

## PRESIDENT

## TRUSTEES

Trustee Brown reminded everyone that if they are struggling to pay their water/sewer bill, they need to call the office and arrange a payment agreement, because once the State of Emergency is over accounts with arrears will be subject to shut off again. He also wanted to thank Steve for keeping his budget in good shape.

Trustee Warner stated that the flashing stop signs at the intersection of Second and Pine are in and look great.

Trustee Durning agreed that the flashing stops signs looked great.

## FINANCE

### MOTION#179/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Durning to approve for payment the Abstract of Audited #9 vouchers as listed:

General Fund	\$178,261.81
Water Fund	\$ 10,302.18
Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 56,841.53</u>
	\$245,405.52

And voucher 63 for \$15,000 from Abstract 8.

Motion passed unanimously.

### MOTION#180/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Durning to allow the Mayor's signature on an in rem agreement for tax map #349.17-7-5.2. Motion passed unanimously.

### MOTION#/20-21

## ELECTION RESOLUTION

2021-22

WHEREAS, the next Village General Election for the Officers of the Village of Deposit will be held on March 2, 2021 and

WHEREAS, no person shall be entitled to vote at any Village election whose name does not appear on the register of the election district in which he/she claims to be entitled to vote, and WHEREAS, it is the duty of the inspectors of election to prepare such register of qualified voters for the district which they are appointed, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Registration Day at the Village of Deposit has been abolished and any voter who wishes to vote in the next Village Election, to be held on March 2, 2021, must register with their County Board of elections by February 19, 2021.

2. Voting for the forthcoming Village elections shall be conducted at the Village of Deposit 61 Front Street, Deposit, New York. Voting shall take place on March 2, 2021 between the hours of 12:00 Noon until 9:00 PM.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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MOTION#181/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Durning and seconded by Trustee Warner to approve the Election resolution. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#182/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Durning to set the Public Hearing for Local Law #5 Amending the Zoning Code, for December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Resolution. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#183/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Durning to approve the Covid Emergency situations policy. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#184/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Durning and seconded by Trustee Warner to allow \$200.00 to be taken from General Fund, fund balance to pay the Court Clerk's wages. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#185/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Durning to allow \$34.66 to be taken from unemployment reserve to pay unemployment claims. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#186/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Warner to adjust the Children's Center playground water bill. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION#187/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Durning and seconded by Trustee Warner to allow the Mayor's signature on an outside user's agreement for 1312 Airport Rd. Motion passed unanimously.

GUESTS

Melissa Bishop distributed a handout to the Mayor and Board. She reminded everyone that 6 new businesses had come into the Village and had completed the Site Plan Review. Many of these forms were distributed by Neal McDonald. She would like to be ensured that these forms would be filled out and the \$20.00 filing fees would be paid. Ms. Bishop said it helps the bills and brings money into the Village budget. She said it was Village law to fill out these forms and the Code Enforcement Officers duty to make sure it was done. Mayor Moore stated that Mr. Hathaway felt the law should be changed, so as to not make it too hard to open a business. Ms. Bishop stated the form was only 2 pages. Mayor Moore stated that Pete did not want to make it harder to open a business, especially when the nature of the business was the same as what was there before. Trustee Durning felt it was on the business to contact the Village, Ms. Bishop countered that it was the CEO's job to contact the new business. That he should have noticed the new business and reached out to them. Trustee Brown felt the process was backward, handing out paperwork after the fact. Ms. Bishop said that hearing a public official won't do their job, rubs her the wrong way. She stated the Planning board bends over backwards to welcome new businesses. Mayor Moore stated that we do not want

to discourage new businesses from coming here. He said if you go thru the packet drawings are required and if you are not changing anything you shouldn't have to provide a drawing. Ms. Bishop said that no, only the 2 pages were necessary. Trustee Durning felt it didn't make sense to give them a form to fill out and then have them mark not applicable to all the questions. Ms. Bishop stated that maybe the board should come to their meetings and work on changing the form. She just gets upset that people say the Planning Board is making it hard for businesses and that people are not following the law. Trustee Durning asked if the board is getting the minutes and Ms. Bishop stated that they were sent. CT Budine stated that they were being received.

MOTION#188/20-21

A motion was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Durning to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen L. Budine  
Clerk Treasurer