

May 27, 2014- Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

Mayor Timothy D. Maloney opened the meeting at 5:40 PM with Trustees Jerry Golden, Douglas Putnam, Elisabeth Brennan and Pamela Youngs present. Mayor Timothy Maloney welcomed the attendees and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Golden made the motion to dispense with the reading of the May 13, 2014 meeting minutes and accept them as written with Trustee Putnam seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The Board reviewed additions to Abstract 12 as follows:

General: \$2,504.27

Water: \$2,561.05

Sewer: \$32.13

Upon review, Trustee Putnam made the motion to approve payment of the abstract with Trustee Brennan seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Attendee John DeFrancesco spoke to the Board and expressed his appreciation for the work that has been done at his property to correct issues that the sewer project created. There are still some areas that need attention and he would like a timeline on the completion of the work. Upon discussion, the work should be completed by Fall and then Mr. DeFrancesco gave the Board a copy of a bill for reimbursement for top soil that he purchased that he would like reimbursement for.

Attendee Richard Schmitt then spoke to the Board. He expressed his feelings that DPW does a fantastic job throughout the Village. He is curious as to when the area in front of his house will be finished. The area was disturbed during a water main break and the portion of his yard from the sidewalk to the street needs some attention. He is requesting that the Village remove roughly 4-5 inches of the soil that is currently there due to the fact that it has many rocks and large stones. He also inquired about the guard rail at the end of Point St. He was informed that it is due to be repaired.

Marty Mason, DPW Superintendent, gave his report as follows:

- The lift station that needed to be added to the end of Esselstyne St. is now complete. It just needs to have some finishing work done. Trustee Brennan asked about the timeline for completion and Marty stated as soon as possible.
- The water and sewer lines are run to the property on Club St. owned by Mr. Rossi. It is Marty's recommendation that the Board consider changing the policy for new hook-ups to the Village system. It is currently \$250 to have water and \$1000 for sewer. The costs associated with doing the water hook-up is greater than \$250.
- Marty is going to meet with Shelly from the Chamber to discuss the garbage can collection through the summer months.

- Marty also requested advertising for two temporary DPW employees to assist the department. Upon discussion, the Clerk will post an ad and have all applications for the next meeting.
- Marty also spoke about the possibility of getting a college student to do an internship at the Water and Sewer plants. More research is needed.

Mayor Maloney then spoke about the power issues at the Rossi property on Club St. National Grid will be getting all the necessary easements for the installation of the Phase 3 line. The project will also need an easement from the Village to have the lines go across the road. Mayor Maloney will be in touch with Gebó's office for the proper paperwork.

It was also brought to the Board's attention that the Rossi project's General Contractor is leaving many items in the street during the working hours and after hours. This could be a safety issue. Mayor Maloney is going to be in contact with Mr. Millington who is overseeing the project.

Perry Golden, Zoning Officer, then addressed the Board:

- The property on Broadway St. that is still being cleaned up after the building falling from last year is on the schedule to be finished by Steven Hall Construction. Upon discussion, Mayor Maloney is going to contact Steven Hall for a timeline on completion.
- There was also a resident complaint about abandoned vehicles on Point St. Perry has made contact with the owners and it should be taken care of within the next week.

Marty Mason then told the Board that National Grid has contacted him and the light pole at the boat ramp at East End Park is due to be put in within the next two weeks.

Trustee Brennan then asked for a progress report on the new water meter installation. Marty stated that they are about 50% complete.

Mayor Maloney asked Marty if he has anything new to report on the tree at Tom Brown's residence. Marty had nothing new to report.

Mayor Maloney also asked Marty to have the NYS Forestry check a village tree that is located in front of Jim Docteur's house.

Trustee Brennan then asked Marty about some tree limbs that are resting on some wires that are connected to a house on Esselstyne St. Marty stated that the tree service company can look at it next time they are in town. Trustee Brennan then asked about extending the intake and if Marty has anything new to report on that. He has nothing further from the engineers.

Marty then spoke about the manhole that is on Bay St. that was affected by the Sewer project. It is his opinion that the Engineer Company should be financially responsible for the repairs that it needs.

Trustee Putnam then spoke about the dumping station for RV's that is at the lift station on Bay St. It is his opinion that it is not a great design and has some ideas on how it should be set up. Upon discussion, it was stated that Falter is still due to return and correct issues at that lift station.

Trustee Golden then asked Marty about a pipe that is located in a yard on Pointe St. Marty stated that it is a yard drain.

No police report.

The Board then reviewed the Treasurer's report and had no questions or concerns.

Trustee Youngs then made a motion to approve adding the reimbursement of topsoil to Mr. DeFrancesco to the abstract to pay with the current abstract with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and the Mayor voting yes. Trustee Brennan voted no and Trustee Putnam abstained.

Trustee Brennan made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:12 pm to discuss the water/wastewater operator position with Trustee Putnam seconding and all voting yes.

Trustee Youngs made the motion at 7:25 pm to exit executive session with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Mayor Maloney then addressed the letter that was received from the French Festival Committee. Upon discussion, the Village will provide all the same services as years past. The Board would like for the Clerk to check if payment was received from the French Festival Committee for last year and Marty also suggested that there be a larger clean-up crew on Sunday.

Trustee Putnam then spoke to the Board about the possibility of adding a bike rack to the clinic area. Upon discussion, the Board is going to be in contact with the Improvement League to see how much the ones we already have were.

The Mayor then read the tax warrant and Trustee Youngs made the motion for the Mayor and the Clerk to sign the tax warrant and send it to the necessary agencies with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Trustee Brennan and Trustee Youngs then asked about Kristi Dippel from Clayton and if she will still be attending a meeting. Mayor Maloney has left her a message and hopes she attend soon.

Trustee Youngs then asked about the grant that the CVDC is trying for. The group will be coming to next meeting to give more information. They are in the research and application process now.

Trustee Brennan asked if there is anything further at this point with the "complaint" brought to the Board from resident Richard Edsall about the fence that is located at the end of Market St. Mayor Maloney stated that there is nothing new to report at this time.

Trustee Brennan then asked about the paperwork that is necessary to move forward with the judgment on the White's property. Mayor Maloney stated that the paperwork from Gebo's office is coming to start the process.

The Board then set June 3, 2014 at 5:35 pm to have a work session to discuss EDU's and Personnel Policy changes.

Trustee Golden made the motion at 7:52 pm to adjourn the meeting with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectively Submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer