

Minutes of the December 15, 2014

Leicester Village Board Meeting

Present: Mayor Barry Briffa, Trustees; Mike Constantino, Scott Davis, Janet Green and Tom Frantz.

Clerk/Treasurer: Douglas Seeber

Maria Briffa, Don Jacobs, Terri Parsons, Toni Pendergast, Angie Jacobs, Jerry Parsons, James Kane, Donald Kane, Stan Lubanski, Karen Roffe, Bev Hart and Joe Nahalka.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Briffa at 6:30PM, The Mayor thanked Trustee Green for her work on the Christmas in the Park.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 17, 2014 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2014 board meeting and it was seconded by Trustee Frantz.

Carried 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

ZONING PERMIT FEES:

Code Enforcement Officer Parsons presented the new schedule of Zoning Fees to the board. (See Attached Schedule).

Trustee Green made a motion to adopt the new Zoning Fee Schedule as of January 1, 2015 and to reimburse the \$20.00 inspection fee to those residents that paid it this past calendar year. It was seconded by Trustee Davis.

Carried 5-0

Code Enforcement Officer Parsons will also be sending a letter to the old pizza shop where there is now a used car lot.

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FIREMAN MONTHLY REPORT:

Chief Kane stated that they had responded to 7 calls (See Attached Report). Chief Kane also reported that the department will receive the new JAWS cutting tool and have the unit serviced 12/16/2015. The department attended two parades and won a People's Choice award at Perry and a 2nd place at Mt. Morris.

The department also has a new prospective member in Joe Semmel.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent Page was not able to attend the meeting and there was no report for the month.

OLD BUSINESS:

ELIJAH HOUSE:

Mayor Briffa said that CEO Parsons and he had met with attorney Kevin Van Allen and he stated that we should not condemn the building at 134 main street (The Elijah House), and that if we did that or went the way of Emanate Domain it could take years and the building would go at full market value in both cases.

Trustee Constantino asked if we should look into purchasing the building and tearing it down. Mayor Briffa stated that Benson Real estate still had a listing on the property until March 1st and he had a prospective buyer.

It was decided that Mayor Briffa would speak to Attorney John Porter who has municipal law experience and see what options he thought were available to the Village.

It was also decided that CEO Parsons would write a letter to the bank that currently owns the building and give them 30 Days to come up with a plan on what they were going to do with the building.

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WATER CONTRACT WITH MT. MORRIS:

A new water contract with the Village of Mt. Morris was presented to the board. This contract would separate the water usage and debt services and would commence on January 1, 2015 and continue for a period of ten (10) years with a rate of \$3.45 per thousand gallons of water used. The Debt Service will end on October 31, 2026, two years earlier than originally planned at a lower rate. This should save over \$100,000.00 over the contracts life.

Trustee Davis made a Motion to accept this contract and it was seconded by Trustee Green.

A Roll Call Vote was taken:

Mike Constantino: YES

Scott Davis: YES

Janet Green: YES

Tom Frantz: YES

Barry Briffa: YES

Carried 5-0

It was also decided that a \$49,000.00 debt claimed by the Village of Mt. Morris from 2009-2010 would be looked into further as we have been shown no proof, and Mayor Briffa would meet with Attorney Porter on this question. We are also looking into a Generator for the pump house.

TREES ON MAIN STREET:

Trustee Davis made a Motion that the quote of \$3,200.00 should be accepted from Ken's Tree Service for the trimming of trees on Main Street, providing he shows proper insurance coverage and pays prevailing wage. This Motion as seconded by Trustee Constantino.

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STAIR TREADS TO BE REPLACED AT THE COMMUNITY BUILDING:

Trustee Davis made a Motion to accept the bid of \$13,338.00 from Corporate Floors to replace the stair treads at the community building currently being leased to BOCES, Corporate Floors must show proof of insurance and payment of prevailing wage, and this was seconded by Trustee Frantz

Carried 5-0

It will be looked into the job being done during the day as to further lower the cost of the job.

PAVING BLOCKS ON MAIN STREET:

Trustee Davis will look into what can be done to the blocks on Main Street to make them safe. At this time they are very slippery and are a liability to the Village. It is hoped that this can be accomplished and the blocks will not have to be removed. At this time we will have Russ block off the area.

CLERCKS REPORT:

Water meters will be read and delinquent accounts will be sent a letter. If a water customer lives with in the Village limits any unpaid water debt will be added to the yearly Village Tax Assessment. If a water customer lives outside the Village the water service would be turned off.

The Town will be able to store the White Truck for the Village this Winter.

There has been a leak in the tray of the air conditioning unit on the roof of the Community Building damaging a server unit. We are accepting quotes for the repair at this time.

Concert Grant came through for next year's concert series in the Park.

AUDIT BILLS

A motion was made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee Constantino to approve the bills as audited for the month of December.

Carried 5-0

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

Next Board Meeting will be January 26, 2015

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee Green to Adjourn

Carried 5-0

Respectfully Submitted

Douglas W. Seeber

Clerk/Treasure

Village of Leicester

