

April 18, 2018

The regular meeting of the Village of Cassadaga was held on April 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM with Mayor Mary Jo Bauer presiding. Trustees present included, Amanda Kalfas, Bill Astry, Theresa Seibert and Cindy Flaherty. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk Bonita Mazzone, Supt. of Public Works Sam Alaimo and Attorney Bill Duncanson.

**RESOLUTION # 233
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Trustee Kalfas second by Trustee Astry to approve the minutes of April 4, 2018. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

**RESOLUTION # 234
APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Trustee Seibert, second by Trustee Flaherty to approve the agenda. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GUESTS:

Dan Skinner from Park Church representing Uganda Water Project Fundraiser. Students from 6th to 12th grade are going to do a 5K walk carrying jugs of water to represent the people of Uganda who have to walk 15 miles a day for water. They would like permission to have the Walk around the lake on May 4th at 6:00 PM. Students raise money on an individual basis.

**RESOLUTION # 235
APPROVE WALK FOR UGANDA WATER PROJECT**

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Kalfas to allow the students to have the w Uganda walk around our lake on May 4th. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Guest Mike Lehnen presented the board a POW Petition with over 200 signatures of area residents to have POW flag put back up at Ames Common. He had come to meeting in December asking why it was taken down and asked if we would put it back up. Clerk Astry reported that she asked Tom Fetter why it was changed and he stated that he put up the NY flag before Memorial Day 2016 because we are part of NY and there were already 3 POW flags in town. He usually changes the flags before Memorial Day because they are tattered. Trustee Kalfas asked Mike why he never came back to board meeting to find out what the board had decided instead of doing a petition. The board never said that they would not put the POW flag back up in the spring. Trustee Kalfas stated that we are part of NY state and that 3 POW flags are enough.

Trustee Astry moved to Table request for POW flag to next meeting, second by Trustee Seibert. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Guest Fire Chief Chris Wichlacz turned in March Fire Call report. He asked that if he could move his line budget for turn out gear to equipment as he would like to purchase 35 pagers at total cost of \$11,347 and he will also need to purchase traffic cones. Clerk Treasurer Astry stated that she will request when we are closer to end of fiscal year. Chief Wichlacz stated that he is still looking to find out if a siren is needed by law. He also reported that Mill Street will be closed for traffic on April 29th for the Annual Gun Raffle.

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET was held at 7:30 PM. No one from public attended and no comments were made.

RESOLUTION # 236

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Kalfas to close public hearing at 7:31 PM. **VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.**

RESOLUTION # 237

ADOPT BUDGET FOR 2018-2019

Trustee Kalfas moved, second by Trustee Astry to adopt the 2018-2019 budget with tax levy of \$124,187.32 and tax rate of \$3.58 per \$1000 assessment a reduction of tax rate of \$.04 and tax of \$424.19. **VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS. BUDGET ATTACHED.**

ATTORNEY DUNCANSON'S REPORT:

- He reported that he has been in contact with attorney for Lily Dale representing them for Lily Dale Water District. They would like to have a 40 year agreement with the Village so they can apply for water grant to upgrade their water lines. The attorney will prepare a contract for our review. Further discussion will be held and may be a time to increase rates as most municipalities charge more than they do their own customers. Clerk Treasurer Astry explained that before we started our Capital Water Project both Lily Dale and Job Corp were charged a higher rate but when the board was deciding on rates to cover the Capital Project debt they decided that all customers would be charged the same rate as we all benefited. It was noted that Lily Dale and Job Corp contribute to 50 % of our water revenue right now. We sell bulk water to both and we are not responsible for any repairs or infrastructure to both entities.

MAYOR BAUER'S REPORT:

- Mayor received letter from NYS DEC requesting that we send pictures of our water well development and mitigation activities located within Regulated Wetland CS-7. As part of our mitigation we had to plant 300 trees next to wetland as part of our mitigation and not all survived and we had to replant over 100 last year. They want documentation to ensure that permit conditions are being

maintained. Supt. of Public Works Sam Alaimo will send pictures to them.

- We are invited to the Chautauqua County Worker's Memorial on Saturday, May 6th at Erlandson Park at 11:00 AM.

CLERK-TREASURER ASTRY REPORT:

- She reported that we have a total of \$ 9,257.82 of past due water bills that need to be releived on to the taxes and need board approval.
- She reported that the NYS Comptroller's office posted results of their Fiscal Stress Monitoring System on local governments and the Village of Cassadaga received a score of 8.3 for 2017 with "No Designation" as being stressed and a 6.7 under Environmental Stress score of 6.7 "No Designation". 0-44.9 score means "No Designation".
- She reported that Sheila Kroon brought information for grants for AARP Community Challenge. Trustee Flaherty reported that she is looking at that for possible submission. Sheila was also concerned about the appearance of the Bus Stop and would like to have a garbage can placed there because there is always trash left there. Sam will put one there.

RESOLUTION # 238

RELEVY OF PAST DUE WATER ON TAXES

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Seibert to put past due water bills totaling \$9,257.82 onto the taxes for 2018-2019. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

DEPUTY CLERK BONITA MAZZONE:

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: SAM ALAIMO

- He reported that St. George Enterprises ground up the compost pile on Alden Road at cost of \$9,135, a savings of \$4,955 than they quoted. He has made arrangements with Tri James to take away the material at no cost to village. He is checking with Bob Bykowski from FFC about security cameras at the compost pile to keep track who is dropping things off. Discussion held on what to do when the compost pile is cleaned out but no board decision made at this time whether to close it or keep it opened. No tree contractors will be allowed to dump there. No dumping until further notice will be put in paper.
- He went to County Meeting and it was announced that the CHIPS funding will be around \$33,000 for village. He is still waiting to put order in for salt until bid is finalized.
- He would like to order computer for the DPW as much correspondence is done on line and many reports are done on line now. Clerk Treasurer Astry received state bid from Dell Computer for computer and printer at cost of \$ 1,361.35. He want to replace

their quote from color printer to black and white to save money on toner.

- He would like to purchase a combination weed wacker that comes with attachments for sweeping and rolling at cost of \$575.94 for a STIHL KombiSystem.
- He noticed that Lakeview needs something done so road does not break away into the lake. He will report further at next meeting.

RESOLUTION # 239

PURCHASE COMPUTER FOR DPW

Trustee Kalfas moved, second by Trustee Astry to purchase computer system for DPW at cost of \$1,361.65. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.

RESOLUTION # 240

PURCHASE WEED WACKER WITH ATTACHMENTS

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Kalfas to purchase the STIHL KombiSystem at cost of \$575.94. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GUEST: Ron Martin, 63 Mill Place came to meeting to file complaint about contractors who are doing Mill Street waterline replacement that they just destroyed his red maple tree in front of house with their equipment. Sam Alaimo will speak to them about it

TRUSTEE KALFAS REPORT:

- She reported that she noticed a hole in fence at the basketball court that needs to be looked at.
- We still need to follow through with the complaints from the Horton's on Frisbee road about edge of road washing away by their mailbox. Sam will take a look at it.
- She was wondering what was decided on hiring Tom Fetter as consultant as his last day was April 9th. Board reported that it was discussed during budget and that funds were included to cover.

RESOLUTION # 241

HIRE TOM FETTER AS CONSULTANT TO DPW

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Seibert to hire Tom Fetter as a consultant when needed at \$25.00 per hour at no more \$500 per month. This will be revisited next year at budget time. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

TRUSTEE ASTRY'S REPORT:

- He would like to have the lawnmower shown as surplus so we can put it out to auction. We were offered \$2100 for trade in and market price for the lawnmower is between \$3500-\$5000. Sam will put it up for auction on line site.
- He would like to put the 1994 #10 dump as surplus so that could be put out for auction also.

RESOLUTION # 242

ESTABLISH THE 0 TURN LAWNMOWER AS SURPLUS

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Seibert to establish the 0 turn lawnmower as surplus and have Sam Alaimo put it out to auction on line with minimum bid of \$4000. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

RESOLUTION # 243

ESTABLISH THE #10 1994 DUMP TRUCK AS SURPLUS

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Kalfas to establish the 1994 #10 dump truck as surplus and have Sam Alaimo put it out to auction on line. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.

TRUSTEE FLAHERTY'S REPORT:

- She submitted grant for new playground
- Wants to have beach/playground open May through September, equipment needs to be put up.
- She requested the Lakeview inmates to rake the beach. A letter needs to be sent.
- Would like to have Sam attend the next CBC meeting on May 10th to discuss Ames Common.
- Taking applications for beach staff and 3 lifeguards are coming back, deadline for applications is May 25th.
- Beach dates will be June 24th and beach picnic August 17th. Would like to keep beach open through Labor Day. Will check budget.
- Will be having the gatehouse painted by individuals doing Community Service.

TRUSTEE SEIBERT'S REPORT:

- The annual Strawberry Social will be on June 27th at 5 PM with the Cassadaga Band playing.
- Rick and Jennifer Vahl wants to have "Lite up Cassadaga" event and help raise money for more decorations for Ames Common. There will be a performance of "Christmas Carol" on May 10th to help raise funds.

RESOLUTION # 244

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Trustee Flaherty moved, second by Trustee Seibert to approve the Financial Statement for April 18, 2018. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GENERAL FUND:	\$261,159.29
WATER FUND	\$211,590.89
RESERVE CVFD EQUIPMENT	175.22
RESERVE DPW	\$ 41,237.28
RESERVE WATER REPAIRS	\$ 36,062.70
RESERVE FOR DEBT SERVICE	\$370,271.99

RESOLUTION # 245

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Trustee Seibert, second by Trustee Flaherty to pay bills as per the Abstract of April 18, 2018 and Payroll of April 20, 2018.

VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Abstract April 18, 2018 General Cks; 7992-8008	\$	3,108.16
Abstract April 18, 2018 Water cks: 7992-8008	\$	2,994.90
Payroll of April 20, 2018 General Cks: 5197-5198	\$	4,744.55
Payroll of April 20, 2018 Water-Direct Dep. cks 5198	\$	4,699.71

Being no further business, Trustee Astry moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Kalfas at 8:55 PM. **VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Roxanne Astry
Clerk Treasurer**

