

April 28, 2021

The regular meeting of the Village of Cassadaga was held on April 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM with Mayor William Dorman presiding. Trustees present included Trustees Bill Astry, Cindy Flaherty, Rachyl Krupa and Mark Wilson. Also in attendance was Supt. Of Public Works Sam Alaimo and Deputy Clerk Mazzone.

Pledge of Allegiance

**RESOLUTION # 58
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Trustee Astry second by Trustee Krupa to approve the minutes of April 14, 2021. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

**RESOLUTION # 59
APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Trustee Astry, second by Trustee Wilson to approve the agenda after adding Approve Utility worker under New Business. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GUESTS:

John Sipos wanted to thank Trustees Flaherty and Krupa for the incentive to Clean Up the Village, and thanked Sam Alaimo for picking up brush and leaves.

ATTORNEY JOE CALIMERI'S REPORT: No report

MAYOR DORMAN'S REPORT:

Updates:

- **I sent a text on 4/13/21 to Robby DeGolier to return his Village charge card to the village. Have not had a return text at this time. Q. Has the card been returned?**
 - **Yes, per Roxanne**
 - **Closed**

New Correspondence:

- **Boat launch update**
 - **I received a letter from Mr. Borrello's office confirming that funds have been released.**
 - **I have nothing more to update than that but expect Peter George will keep us informed when something begins to happen.**
- **Mike Kelly messaged me regarding 'mess' on his lawn that needs to be cleaned up so he can mow.**
 - **I explained being short-handed and that I would remind Sam**

- When can he expect something to be done? Sam reported already done.
- Helped interview a second candidate for Utility/Labor position
 - I'll let Bill/Sam update you on that in their reports.

NEW BUSINESS: 1. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

2. APPROVE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

3. APPROVE LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE PERSON

4. APPROVE UTILITY WORKER

CLERK TREASURER ASTRY REPORT

- She reported that Sam Alaimo has received his Class C Water license effective April 7, 2021. According to minutes of March 21, 2018 he is to receive a \$1,500 increase in pay. Asking for a motion to grant the raise prorated beginning with date April 7, 2021.
- Reported that there were a few budget lines that need amending that were slightly overdrawn.
- Asked permission to transfer \$ 29,509.84 from Water Checking to Reserve for Debt Service for future Capital improvements in water system. This is in excess from Debt Service Collections and Bond Payment due to Refinance Grant August 2017.
- Reported that received Unemployment request on a couple of employees that were determined to be part of a fraud scheme that was determined by NYS. It was not initiated by our employees.
- Unemployment insurance will be reimbursing us for overpayment on Amanda Fox.
- Fire Department report: EMS: 17, Fire: 1, MVA: 1, M/A given: 12, total 69 hours for March.

RESOLUTION # 60

APPROVE INCREASE IN PAY

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Wilson to approve the pay increase of Sam Alaimo as stated on March 21, 2018 minutes after receiving Class C Water License of \$1,500 per year, prorated effective April 7, 2021. VOTE; 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

RESOLUTION # 61

APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Trustee Krupa moved, second by Trustee Flaherty to approve recommendations of Clerk Treasurer Astry the following amendments to our budget 2020-2021, VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Increase A.1325.4 Treasurer Cont. by \$ 200.00

Decrease A.1325.2 Treasurer Eq. by \$ 200.00

Increase Revenue A.1603 Vital Statistics by \$ 200.00

Increase A. 4020.1 Registrar of Vital Statistics by \$ 200.00
Increase A.5110.2 Street Maintenance Equipment by \$ 1742.00
Decrease A. 5110.400 Streets Contractual by \$ 1742.00
Increase A. 5112.2 CHIPS by \$ 1,290.00
Increase Revenue A. 3501 CHIPS by \$ 1,290.00
Increase Street Lighting Contractual A. 5182.4 by \$ 756.00
Decrease A. 5132.4 DPW Utilities by \$ 756.00

RESOLUTION # 62
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Trustee Flaherty moved, second by Trustee Astry to transfer funds of \$29,509.84 from Water checking to Reserve for Debt Service for future Capital Improvements in water system. This is in excess from Debt Service Collections and Bond Principal payment due to Refinance Grant from August 2017. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS,

DEPUTY CLERK MAZZONE REPORT:

- She inquired if the Fire Department can still purchase gas at Shurefine with new owners. It was stated they can, but the firemen need to get receipts to give to village office.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS SAM ALAIMO'S REPORT:

- Reported that the Firemen's 1998 tanker did not pass inspection because the frame was cracked. It was caused by rust erosion and frame needs to be repaired. Big D Welding can do repair by replacing frame rails, replace bolts, loosen and scrape rust as soon as Monday and have it returned by Friday at cost of \$3,370. They require 50% of payment to begin work.

RESOLUTION # 63
REPAIR 1998 TANKER

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Krupa to have Big D Welding repair tanker rails, replace bolts, loosen and scrape rust at cost of \$3,370 with down payment of \$1,685.00. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

TRUSTEE ASTRY'S REPORT:

- He reported that the Utility Worker and Landscaping maintenance person for Seasonal Labor that we voted to hire at last meeting both decided not to take the positions.
- He reported that they received 1 application for Utility Worker, Sean Szukala and has a CDL license. He is a solid candidate, good work experience, can weld, repair vehicles. He will need to give a 2 week notice to employer. The interview was conducted by himself, Mayor Dorman and Sam Alaimo.
- They received one application for Landscaping maintenance person for Seasonal Labor Worker. They interviewed Bob Frank who is retiring from his County position and is willing to work as the

seasonal worker. This will be a seasonal position for mowing, leaf and brush pickup, trash pickup and custodial and maintenance.

- He made more repairs at gazebo at beach after more vandalism. This time they went through the window. He put bars on the window to prevent this happening again.

RESOLUTION # 64

HIRE UTILITY WORKER

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Wilson to hire Sean Szukala at rate of \$17.50 per hour, eligible for enrollment for health insurance after 30 days, retirement and a 1-year probation. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

RESOLUTION # 65

HIRE LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE SEASONAL PART TIME PERSON

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Flaherty to hire Robert Frank as part time Landscaping Maintenance person at rate of \$ 15.00 per hour. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

TRUSTEE FLAHERTY'S REPORT:

- Thanked Trustee Astry for fixing window at gazebo.
- Thanked Trustee Mark Wilson, Mayor Dorman, Sam Alaimo and Bob York for helping with Clean Up on April 24th. If we decide to do it next year, we should have 1 dumpster for scrap metal.
- The Maple Ave Academy students raked the beach this morning.
- She had a portable potty delivered at beach for May 1st through October 1st.
- There is a CAP run scheduled from beach on May 15th so bathrooms will need to be ready by then.
- She reported that the artist that will be doing mural at JoJo's will starting on Monday.

TRUSTEE KRUPA'S REPORT:

- She reported that the flowers that she planted are doing great and if anyone has hanging baskets that they don't need she would appreciate them.

TRUSTEE WILSON REPORT:

- He reported that the Beer Mile for the fundraiser for Fire Department is going well, need to have more publicity to promote it. Observer reporter will be doing article and will ask for other Fire Departments to send personnel.
- The Running Festival for the Library scheduled for May 30th has 100 people registered from 7 states. The Library committee is doing great with sponsors.
- Reported that Scott Bristol and Justin O'Brien are willing to help people put boats in water if DEC boat launch isn't built soon.

RESOLUTION # 66

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Trustee Flaherty moved, second by Trustee Krupa to approve the Financial Statement for April 28, 2021. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GENERAL FUND	\$	186,042.80
WATER FUND	\$	128,625.95
RESERVE CVFD EQUIPMENT	\$	26,506.96
RESERVE DPW EQUIP.	\$	27,779.68
RESERVE WATER REPAIRS	\$	50,206.22
RESERVE FOR DEBT SERVICE	\$	252,374.45

RESOLUTION # 67

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Trustee Astry, second by Trustee Wilson to pay the following: VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Payroll of April 30, 2021 General Cks: 5645-5646	\$	1,753.68
Payroll of April 30, 2021 Water Cks: 5640-5641	\$	1,435.05
Abstract of April 28, 2021 General Cks: 9180-9191	\$	11,970.55
Abstract of April 28, 2021 Water Cks: 9180-9191	\$	2,824.60

Observer reporter asked if we are going to make Park Avenue a One-way street. Sam Alaimo stated that he is going to put another speed bump in by cross walk. Many people were against the one-way street.

Trustee Wilson reported that the Sheriff's Department will be putting a speed digital sign on Maple Avenue to slow traffic.

Being no further business, Trustee Astry moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Wilson at 7:48 PM. VOTE: VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Astry, Clerk Treasurer