

November 20, 2013

The regular meeting of the Village of Cassadaga was held on November 20, 2013 with Mayor LeeAnn Lazarony presiding. Trustees present were Ron Dechard and Michael Lehnen. Trustee Valerie Culverwell arrived at the meeting at 7:35. Absent: Trustee Jeffery Frick. Also in attendance were Superintendent Tom Fetter, Roxanne Astry, and Angelica Martin.

**RESOLUTION #170
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Trustee Dechard, second by Trustee Lehnen to approve the minutes of November 6, 2013 minutes. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.

**RESOLUTION #171
ACCEPT AGENDA**

A Motion was made by Trustee Dechard to approve the agenda, second by Trustee Lehnen. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GUESTS:

Alexis Horton and Sarah Nyhart: both young ladies were present for a high school Government class homework assignment. At the end of the meeting, both young ladies asked Mayor Lazarony for her signature and copies of the agenda and financial statement for their class. Stacy Horton, Alexis' mother, attended as well. Bill Astry, Maple Ave., attended the meeting. Also attending was the new journalist, Jasmine Willis, from the Evening Observer.

ATTORNEY MIKE NORRIS REPORT:

- **In reference to the service amendment, he recommends approving the bond council.**

**RESOLUTION #172
FOR APPROVAL OF THE BOND COUNCIL AMENDMENT**

A motion was made by Trustee Dechard, second by Trustee Lehnen to amend Hodgson Russ contract from \$17,500 to \$32,000. This amendment is required in light of the additional work they have performed and additional time the project has taken to complete. The original contract was approved in November 2008. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.

STEARNS & WHELER REPORT: GREG MCCORKHILL

- **North Shore Park has all residents transferred to the new waterline.**
- **The contractor will finalize his work today and tomorrow.**
- **There is a progress meeting on Friday, November 22 at 10:00 a.m. in the village office.**
- **There is also a meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Friday to discuss shared water services. The mayor of Fredonia will be attending, as Fredonia**

is interested in information regarding water sharing. They would like to discuss a “transfer out of basin.”

- The well site is progressed. The well pump turns and pumps water. They chlorinated the water for testing and trying to get start up on November 25th.
- The well was disinfected on Monday, but the results were not as good as hoped. They will disinfect again.
- The generator is at the shop at Ahlstrom Schaeffer for High Street Pump House. They put in the pad and the changing transfer switch.
- They have coordinated with National Fuel and the cost for the gas line is coming soon. National Fuel should be out within 10 days of getting a payment, but may take longer.
- The project should close soon and contracts closed out.
- The restoration should be under a one year warranty- Kandey Co. is responsible.
- Mayor Lazarony stated that she would like to have a workshop meeting when we are ready to wrap up project and ask Kelly Lathan from Fiscal Advisors to attend. Clerk Astry stated that right now the interest rate we are paying on the BAN is lower than the rate we will pay for the long term loan with Rural Development so it may not be advantageous to pay BAN early.

Trustee Lehnen addressed questions and concerns to Greg McCorkhill:

- What is the reason for the ground rods in the fence?
- The ice guards on the building, are they installed in the wrong place?
- The blocks are chipping already on the building in a few different places.
- There is a 2-3 inch crack between the blocks by the door.
- Addressed to the board and Greg M.: Is Tom’s new computer used for water readings? The answer was no, it is used for reports and correspondence in conducting village business.

MAYOR LAZARONY’S REPORT:

- She went to the Planning Board Meeting and would like everyone to know that there are still 2 vacancies on the board.
- IDA could help to find a buyer or find other options for the elementary school building. The Board can decide to sell, give to public, or lease without a referendum.
- She would like the village to reach out to the newly elected County Executive on what can be done.
- She would like to comment on an article: that as she currently understands, the school is still the emergency shelter for the village.
- Christmas celebration will be the second meeting in December, which is December 18th.
- On Health Insurance: Option 1 Aqua. The only real issue is on how much the village should contribute. She feels that the Option 1 Aqua

is the best option, but further discussion is needed in the future on what percentage employees will pay.

RESOLUTION #173

TO ACCEPT THE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN OPTION 1 AQUA

A motion was made by Mayor Lazarony, second by Trustee Dechard to accept Blue Cross Blue Shield Plan Aqua at rate of \$412.26 per single and \$845.13 for two person plan. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Trustee Valerie Culverwell arrived at this time, 7:35 p.m.

RESOLUTION #174

TO APPROVE FORM E #23

A motion was made by Mayor Lazarony, second by Trustee Culverwell to approve Form E # 23 with total expenditures to date of \$3,786,949.86. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

CLERK ASTRY'S REPORT: no report

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TOM FETTER

- The roof on pump house # 2 is leaking (well #4). We may possibly need a new roof next year- add to budget next year?
- The brush pile is getting out of control. There are now deer carcasses over there.
- Why are there privacy slats in the fences around the pump house? (The response was that the board will look into taking them out, as it is a safety hazard.)

TRUSTEE DECHARD'S REPORT: no report

TRUSTEE LEHNEN'S REPORT:

- December 15th from 1-3 p.m. will be the Christmas in the Park. Santa will arrive in the fire truck. The library will also be serving cookies and hot chocolate along with the firemen's auxiliary at the library.

TRUSTEE CULVERWELL'S REPORT:

- We need to find a decorating day for the Christmas in the Park. The only days she is available is the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving.

TRUSTEE FRICK'S REPORT: absent/no report

RESOLUTION # 175

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Trustee Culverwell moved, second by Trustee Lehnen for the approval of the Financial Statement for November 20, 2013. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GENERAL FUND: \$238,623.13

WATER FUND: \$388,807.34
CAPITAL FUND: \$625,162.62
RESERVE CVFD: \$ 5,887.98
RESERVE DPW: \$ 5,164.63
RESERVE BLDG: \$ 20,090.07

RESOLUTION # 176
APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Trustee Culverwell, second by Trustee Dechard to pay bills as per Abstract of November 20, 2013 and Payroll of November 22, 2013. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

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| Abstract November 20, 2013 General ck.6378-6395 | \$5,840.36 |
| Abstract November 20, 2013 Water ck. 6378-6395 | \$ 1,811.14 |
| Abstract November 20, 2013 Capital ck. 246-248 | \$ 247,692.12 |
| Payroll Nov.22, 2013 General ck.4659 | \$ 1,963.58 |
| Payroll Nov.22, 2013 Water Fund direct dep. | \$ 1,674.32 |
| Payroll Nov.22, 2013 Capital fund; direct dep. | \$ 1,420.98 |

Being no further business Trustee Lehnen moved, second by Trustee Dechard to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angelica Martin, Deputy Clerk
Roxanne Astry, Clerk Treasurer

