

November 11, 2020

The regular meeting of the Village of Cassadaga was held on November 11, 2020 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 Attorney Joe Calimeri.

Pledge of Allegiance

RESOLUTION # 148

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Astry second by Trustee Krupa to approve the minutes of October 28, 2020 after correction of volunteers from Trustee Flaherty's report. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

RESOLUTION # 149

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

GUESTS: None

ATTORNEY JOE CALIMERI'S REPORT:

- **He reported that Town of Pomfret is still pushing for quarterly billing. Discussion held and we are firm about monthly billing like we have always had. Clerk Astry will check with auditor on implication if we did quarterly on an accrual basis accounting.**
- **Clerk Astry will follow up with ZBA Chairman Beichner on getting original signed copy for our files on resolution.**

MAYOR DORMAN'S REPORT:

Updates:

- **Letter from Lauren Fenton asking for letter of support for a "Skatepark" to be located in Cassadaga**
 - **2700 sq. ft.**
 - **Projected cost \$135-150, 000**
 - **Reference made to Tony Hawk & Ralph Wilson foundations**
 - **Additional details**
 - **Rachyl reported that she researched the application and information and that the deadline was August 31, 2020. She will continue to watch to see if they will be offering another chance for a similar project.**
- **Bill to discuss with Sam the 10 ppt for PFOA and PFOS, has not had a chance to follow up yet.**

- **New State mandatory requirement for public health emergency planning for public workers.**
 - **Deadline April 1, 2021**
 - **Roxanne to query if more future training dates from NYCOM or if the previous one is available to review online.**

New Correspondence:

- **Phone call from Dan Pacos shared with V/B on 10/28 and discussed previously under Attorney's report.**

CLERK TREASURER ASTRY REPORT:

- **She has been in contact with Randy Graham for renewal of our policy and should have it at next meeting with quote.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN-

Review and Discussion of plan.

Attorney Calimeri stated it is mandatory to have a Comprehensive Plan and is happy that we did not hire a consultant for a canned template. The Comprehensive Plan is for Zoning challenges mostly. He stated many times the plan is shelved and likes the 5-year plan with goals, monitoring and evaluation. The plan should include a Zoning Map, kind of businesses, districts and refer to zoning throughout the Comprehensive Plan. We will need to do a SEQR Short Form and suggests that Planning Board do this form and the Village would do Resolution at Public Hearing as Lead Agency. The County Planning Board will review before Public Hearing.

Trustee Wilson feels the plan is great and has major changes that he likes.

Mayor Dorman's comments.

1. Thanks to the committee for their time committed to bring the plan this far under difficult working conditions due to the pandemic. Your efforts are really appreciated.

2. I have looked at the plan from a slightly different perspective because of my background in quality planning, and a long-time resident and a few suggestions/thoughts come to mind:

The themes identified look to be well identified and appropriate.

- **Action items on different "themes" seem difficult to prioritize to be carried out because objectives and actions are often interdependent and may be dependent on completion of other themes. Also, I agree with Peter Georges concern about the number of objectives and/or action items.**

Suggestion: I think there is a good case for reducing and/or simplifying objectives and the supporting actions which would in turn make it easier to focus on timelines and any necessary resources to get the job done. Following discussion at the V/B

meeting, there was a suggestion to add a couple more themes (zoning & cultural).

- Some objectives have metrics/measurables, but some do not. Some have start dates, but not all do. From my experience if you don't measure it in some manner, it only becomes an opinion on how successful the effort has been.
Suggestion: I think an integrated timeline is necessary. Simplification as proposed in the first item would help make it easier to establish an integrated timeline for the 5-year period and to be able to measure progress or adjust resources. By doing this it would make our comprehensive plan a "dynamic" document and not simply that would sit on a shelf for the five-year period but visited regularly for progress.
- I have some concern on the "Small Town Character" theme that increased population being an objective might have characteristics that people/families are trying to escape from by moving from a more metropolitan area. Caution is that bigger is not always better.
Suggestion: Just a cautionary note to consider when deciding how aggressively to market/promote the Cassadaga 'brand'.
Trustee Krupa commented that she likes the plan.
Trustee Flaherty stated that if she were moving to a new area, she would be looking for are for opportunities with Art, Music, Culture and Literature. She would like to see this added.

2. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS-Will check with NYCOM to see if another webinar will be held.
3. SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING- all Village employees, firemen and committees should have training.
4. HEALTH INSURANCE- Clerk Astry reported that she gave the different rates and insurance options to Sam Alaimo and Rob Degolier and they would like the Independent Health Plan Flexfit Platinum plan.

RESOLUTION # 150

APPROVE HEALTH INSURANCE

Trustee Flaherty moved, second by Trustee Krupa to approve Health Insurance through Independent Health FlexFit Platinum at single rate of \$615.10 less 10% paid by employee and Employee + Spouse rate of \$1,230.20 less 20% paid by employee. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

DEPUTY CLERK MAZZONE REPORT: Absent

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS SAM ALAIMO'S REPORT: Absent

- Report given by Trustee Astry. They have been picking up leaves the last few days. Residents do not understand that they can't rake sticks or other debris into the leaves because they can't be picked up with leaf vacuum. This is one of the reasons why having a village

resident monitor other residents bringing items to compost pile will never work.

TRUSTEE ASTRY'S REPORT

- He reported that the 1996 ambulance was sold for \$6100 on auction. Clerk Astry reminded them that they voted to put money received from ambulance into the CVFD Reserve for equipment.
- He reported that he had Sheriff deputy meet him at the compost pile after someone reported that a deer was injured inside the fencing. It was put down and he had a friend come and remove it.
- He stated that he services the radiant heaters annually ever since they have been installed and wants to know if they want him to have it done again. Many times, spiders crawl into the tubing during the summer months.
- He reported that he met with Board of Fire Commissioners, Stockton Fire District representative Tad McNeil to go over the contract. He agreed to a new contract with compensation to the Village in the amount of \$5,000 for 5 year contract.

RESOLUTION # 151

APPROVE HAVING RADIANT HEATERS SERVICED

Trustee Wilson moved, second by Trustee Krupa to have the radiant heaters serviced for annual inspection. VOTE: 3 AYES, 1 ABSTAIN-ASTRY.

RESOLUTION # 152

APPROVE CONTRACT FOR FIRE PROTECTION FOR STOCKTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Flaherty to approve 5-year contract in the amount of \$ 5,000 per year for Fire Protection for Stockton Fire Protection District. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

TRUSTEE FLAHERTY'S REPORT:

- She would like to leave beach gate open when weather is nice. No objections held by rest of board.
- Docks were removed and out of way for Winter Festival activities at beach thanks to Sam and Rob.
- Should text be sent through Slick Text about leaves? Sam needs to have better communication with board so this can be relayed to village residents.

TRUSTEE KRUPA'S REPORT:

- She will continue to look for new options for skate park.

TRUSTEE WILSON REPORT:

- Discussion held on village Leash Law. It was decided that he would give his neighbor a copy of the law because the dog is still running

loose to see if that would help problem before he contacts Dog Control officer.

- He reported that he investigated the digital speed limit signs and they cost from \$ 1,900 to \$ 3,900. Wilson Endurance Sports could possibly donate one for Dale Drive to slow speeding.
- Discussion held on speed limit in the village and would like to see digital speed limit reminders. He will check on cost and Trustee Astry will contact County dispatcher to have officers in the village to control speed.

RESOLUTION # 153

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Trustee Astry moved, second by Trustee Flaherty to approve the Financial Statement for October 31, 2020 and November 11, 2020. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

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| GENERAL FUND-Oct. 31 | \$ 229,927.35 |
| WATER FUND-Oct. 31 | \$ 71,008.78 |
| GENERAL FUND-Nov. 11 | \$ 266,370.95 |
| WATER FUND-Nov. 11 | \$ 68,870.56 |
| RESERVE CVFD EQUIPMENT | \$ 20,412.67 |
| RESERVE DPW | \$ 27,751.67 |
| RESERVE WATER REPAIRS | \$ 50,185.34 |
| RESERVE FOR DEBT SERVICE | \$ 252,119.81 |

RESOLUTION # 154

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS AND PAYROLL

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

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| Payroll of Nov. 13, 2020 General Cks: 5599-5600 | \$ 2,364.64 |
| Payroll of Nov. 13, 2020 Water Cks: 5599-5600 | \$ 2,138.22 |
| Abstract of Nov. 11, 2020 General Cks: 9043-9057 | \$ 5,192.31 |
| Abstract of Nov. 11, 2020 Water Cks: 9043-9057 | \$ 321.32 |

Being no further business, Trustee Astry moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Krupa at 8:38 PM. VOTE: VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Astry
Clerk Treasurer

