

Village of Phoenix
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 7:00 PM
Sweet Memorial Building
455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present: Absent Mayor Anthony Fratto Investigator Joe Marotta
Trustee John Halstead Village Clerk Roxanne Demo
Trustee Danny Dunn Clerk Laura Gonzalez
Trustee Ryan Wood Attorney Steven Primo
Trustee David Pendergast

3 Public in Attendance

Deputy Mayor Dunn began the Board Meeting with a salute to the flag at 7:05 PM.

Engineers Report

Deputy Mayor Dunn said that Greg Sgromo wouldn't be here tonight. Deputy Mayor said from speaking with Greg Sgromo that Barber Corporation is almost finished with the work being done on State St. and Bridge St. and North Country will begin work on May 7th on Cherry Street and Lock Street. Greg Sgromo approached North Country Contractors to provide estimate for additional site work at the Foster Well. They discussed putting 4 culverts on the access road and to re-grade 300 feet from the well to alleviate water from pooling there. Administrator Jim Lynch said he'd still like Greg to sit down with John Kerfien to discuss what should be done. The Board decided to hold off doing any additional work until the guys can sit down together.

Administrator Jim Lynch said they met again to discuss the location of the bathhouse. It was decided that it should be built near the pavilion by the Gingersnap bakery. It will be accessible for the boaters and we won't lose any space where the kids play near Henley Park. A motion was made by Trustee John Halstead for the location of the bathhouse and to send it out to bid, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast. All ayes.

Administrator Lynch said that there continues to be problems with sink holes on Brandybrook Lane. He will contact Greg Sgromo to have Seaway Earth and Pipe come out and address these issues. Doug Reutsch, 12 Brandybook Lane said that the sink holes are deep and is concerned with cars going through these and children playing in the area.

Administrator Lynch has been working on the Fireworks for June 27th. He's has been in contact with Pyrotechnico, the land owner and the Town of Lysander for permits.

Attorney Steve Primo said that he, Jim Lynch, John Kerfien and Greg Sgromo had a meeting with Camden Group for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Camden Group came in with a bid for two options. The first option is for \$64,950 a year and it's anticipated

that performing the scope of services will take 25 hours per week. This includes operating the facility on the weekends and holidays. The second option is for \$49,362 a year and our DPW would be trained to perform the solids handling function. If the Village chooses this option the manpower would be reduced to 19 hours per week. Camden Group will attend four board meetings a year, any additional meeting they attend will be \$200.00 a meeting. O'Brien & Gere also bid on the WWTP and their bid was for \$139,800. Trustee John Halstead made the motion for Camden Group for option two in the amount of \$49,362, to differ year two and three subject to Attorney approval, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast. All ayes.

Attorney Steve Primo said that they have a mandatory meeting scheduled for June 16th with Oswego County Health to discuss the well water.

Attorney Primo

Greg Sgromo has sent a draft for Engineers Contract. Trustee John Halstead made the motion to approve the contract, seconded by Trustee Ryan Wood. All ayes.

Attorney Primo stated that we still are having issues with the French drains on Main Street. We will write to Oswego County Legislator Robert Hayes to get him involved with solving this issue. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Dunn, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast. All ayes.

Trustee Reports

Trustee John Halstead had nothing.

Trustee David Pendergast asked if the bathhouse would be looked at frequently for the board of health. Attorney Primo said that they would not have to monitor the bathhouse. Trustee Pendergast said he has also noticed construction material and a toilet out at the road on Main Street for a few weeks now. Administrator Lynch said he'd get ahold of Don Ryan our Code Enforcement Officer to check it out.

Trustee Ryan Wood said tonight you've received a packet to review for the proposed increase in water/sewer increase. The rates have not been increased in years. We're proposing that the \$19.40 Capital charge be added to the new water rates with the same percentage increase. This way the total funds are available for operations and capital improvements. Currently the minimum bill is \$113.93 the proposed minimum bill would increase to \$157.33. This would mean an increase of 60% for water and 50% for sewer.

Deputy Mayor Danny Dunn said that he's spoken with Jim Lynch regarding the Village of Phoenix sign that needed to be replaced after a car struck it over the winter. Also Deputy Mayor has been approached by a resident to possibly start a Flea Market to be held on Friday nights in the parking lot on State Street. It was suggested that vendors pay the Village \$10.00 a table. It will be nice to have people also support our downtown businesses.

Investigator Joe Marotta

Investigator Marotta said that the Police Department responded to 197 calls from April 14 to May 6, 2014. Marotta also said the bike patrol will begin soon now that the weather has improved.

Facility Use Request

Deputy Mayor Dunn received a facility use request from Carole Sponable for Concerts in the Park for Friday nights, July 11, 18, 25 and August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 from 6:00 – 8:00pm. Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Dunn to approve, seconded by Trustee Ryan Wood. All ayes.

A facility use request from John Schickling for the Town of Schroepel Democratic Committee meetings to be held on the evenings of May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11 and December 9, 2014 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the Sweet Memorial Building board room. A motion was made by Trustee David Pendergast to approve, seconded by Trustee Ryan Wood. All ayes.

Sidewalks

Deputy Mayor Dunn said we have a sidewalk request from Jason Connolly for 513 Main Street. Motion was made by Trustee David Pendergast to approve that an estimate to be written for this property, seconded by Trustee Ryan Wood. All ayes.

Abstract

Deputy Mayor Dunn we need to ratify the board telephone poll for Abstract #4 dated April 15, 2014 in the amount of \$95,229.80. Trustee Ryan Wood made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 87-121; water fund vouchers 87-122; sewer fund vouchers 87-123; capital water/sewer projects voucher 87; library fund vouchers 22-27 and trust and agency fund vouchers 17-19, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast. All ayes. Deputy Mayor Dunn asked if everyone had any questions or concerns with Abstract #5 dated May 6, 2014 in the amount of \$113,147.38. Trustee Ryan Wood made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 125-164; water fund vouchers 124-163; sewer fund vouchers 125-166; capital water/sewer projects vouchers 135-165; library fund vouchers 28-34 and trust and agency fund vouchers 20-26, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast. All ayes.

Old Business

Meeting minutes for Regular Board Meeting on April 1, 2014, Deputy Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or concerns. Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Dunn to approve, seconded by Trustee Ryan Wood. All ayes. Executive Session Meeting Minutes

from March 18, 2014, Deputy Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or concerns. Trustee Ryan Wood made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast aye, Trustee John Halstead aye, Deputy Mayor Dunn abstained.

Trustee Ryan Wood stated that they need to ratify the approval for James Hayes to receive a check for unused sick time. Motion was made by Trustee Ryan Wood, seconded by Trustee John Halstead. All ayes.

New Business

A letter was received from Cindy Saarie from 97 Lock Street to request a 4-way stop sign be placed at the corner of Elm Street and Lock Street. Attorney Primo stated that this is a county highway and they would need to be contacted.

Deputy Mayor Dunn asked if anyone else had anything tonight. Clerk/Treasurer Roxanne Demo asked that they look at the Fire Alarm Upgrade that was presented to the board a few weeks ago by John Kerfien, Highway Crew Leader. The fire alarm system needs to be upgraded at the DPW building. The system has been continuously failing for the past 8 months. We've received a quote from Volney Multiplex for \$3,282.06, they are who initially installed the system and we have budgeted for this work to be done. Trustee John Halstead made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Ryan Wood. All ayes.

Public Comments

There were no public comments tonight.

Motion was made by Trustee Ryan Wood to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm, seconded by Trustee David Pendergast. All ayes.
Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo
Village of Phoenix
Clerk/Treasurer