

Village of Phoenix  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM  
Sweet Memorial Building  
455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present: Mayor Ryan Wood  
Trustee Paul Griser  
Absent Trustee John Musumeci  
Absent David Pendergast  
Trustee Caleb Sweet  
Chief Marty Nerber  
Village Clerk Roxanne Demo  
Attorney Rebekah Prosachik  
Absent Administrator James Lynch

4 Public in Attendance

Mayor Ryan Wood began the Board Meeting with a salute to the flag at 7:00 PM.

**Lock 1 Distillery – Brendan Backus**

Brendan Backus – 17 Culvert Street, Lock 1 Distillery is interested in acquiring the piece of property directly behind their current property, its own by the Village. There are some drainage concerns that will need to be addressed prior to future use/development and they are prepared to work with the village to alleviate those concerns. Mayor Wood said that we'd have the property assessed, fair market value, then that will go before the board then approve the amount.

**Mayor and Trustee Comments**

Mayor Wood said Phoenix Rising had Fun Freez over the weekend it was a chilly day, we had volunteers from the high school.  
Trustee Griser had nothing.  
Trustee Sweet had nothing.

**Department Comments**

Chief Nerber provided a yearly report of calls. The police department handled 2,986 incidents.

Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or concerns on Jim Lynch's administrative report. No one did.

Clerk Roxanne Demo reported to the board that the village has received notice from Thrive Café, 73 State Street for a wine, beer & cider license.

**Attorney Comments**

Attorney Prosachik said she forwarded the water consolidated agreement with the Town to the Mayor, they're working on getting all three districts into one. She's working with the engineers for the consent order. Prosachik will be working on changes to the water local law to put some timeframes as far as on how long people have to get the property back so it's habitable and pay water charges.

Mayor Wood said the Town water district contracts need to be updated, some have expired some have not, they don't want to be in the water business any longer, they want us to take over completely so they've

put together an offer 150% at the village rate, 5% would go into a retainer for capital improvements down the road, we would take over all billing and maintenance, all services, only exception is if there's any major breaks, then it will go back to our original contract which is 110%, any man hour cost and everything on top of it would be the Town. Mayor will provide a copy of the contract to the board this week for their review and then pass it to the Town for their review. Trustee Griser asked if we can handle that as a personnel standpoint. Mayor said we're doing it already we're doing it as a side contract. Mayor has also had discussions with some people at the Town to look at other options for receiving taxes, so if we acquire additional customers for sewer/water billing customers he'll entertain to do their tax collection too and hire another full time clerk.

### **Abstract**

Abstract #24 dated February 19, 2019 in the amount of \$82,989.64. Trustee Griser made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 800-835; water fund vouchers 802-834; sewer fund vouchers 799-834; capital water/sewer fund voucher 809-833; library fund vouchers 178-183; and trust and agency fund vouchers 255-262, seconded by Trustee Sweet. All ayes. Motion was made by Trustee Sweet to approve meeting minutes of February 5, 2019, seconded by Trustee Griser. All ayes.

### **New Business**

Facility Use Request from Kathy Roberts for the auditorium on February 24, 2019 from 10:00am-5:00pm for a customer appreciation event. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Sweet. All ayes. Facility Use Request from Phoenix Rising for the auditorium on March 2, 2019 from 3:00pm – 10:00pm for a Mystery Dinner Theater. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Sweet, seconded by Trustee Griser. All ayes.

### **Public Comments**

Danny Dunn 523 Main St., came before the board to ask that having the snow removed from the sidewalks at the building located at 15 Culvert Street. Mayor Wood said they'd look into it.

Motion was made by Trustee Sweet adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm seconded by Trustee Griser. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo  
Village of Phoenix  
Clerk/Treasurer