

Village of Phoenix
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM
Sweet Memorial Building
455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present: Mayor Caleb Sweet Chief Martin Nerber
Trustee Danny Dunn Village Clerk Roxanne Demo
Absent Trustee Paul Griser Attorney Rebekah Prosachik
Trustee Adam Mulderig Administrator James Lynch
Absent Trustee David Pendergast

8 Public in Attendance

Mayor Sweet began the Board Meeting with a salute to the flag at 7:02 P.M.

Board of Elections – Peggy Bickford

Peggy advised the board that last year’s election cost the village \$800 with them running the election with a low voter turnout. She’d like to propose that the village do their own election with paper ballots. Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to go to paper ballots, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All ayes. Attorney Prosachik will look into it further.

Miller Engineering

Doug Miller reported that we’ve received approval from the DEC on the Davis Street project. Water project continues on Lock Street, the boring has begun under the railroad tracks. He’s been working with the village staff to replace additional valves that are not working, the cost is around \$180,000-\$190,000. Near Elm Street there’s been difficulty locating the pipe up to the tank. There’s ground penetrating radar to locate the pipe for \$1,100. Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to approve the radar, seconded by Trustee Pendergast, Trustee Dunn nay, Trustee Griser aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried. Miller has reviewed the sewer use law with Attorney Rebekah and at the next meeting we’ll schedule a public hearing so it can be adopted. Miller said regarding waste water treatment plan roof they have contacted a roofer and they are reviewing the plans that we have.

Mayor and Trustee Comments

Mayor Sweet said it was a good job Friday night, fireworks and the car show and kudos to the police department for finding a lost child.

Trustee Griser said last Friday Fireworks good job by everyone putting them on.

Trustee Mulderig had nothing.

Trustee Pendergast had nothing.

Trustee Dunn said there are some tree limbs blocking the stop signs going up State Street. Lynch said the DPW actually trimmed them today.

Department Comments

Chief Nerber reported that the speed signs are up. The fireworks have grown to a point that they’ve become very popular and he can’t even guess how many people were there, the island was packed and Henley Park. He had a lot of people come up to him and say that they were amazing and wanted to know

who pays for it and they'd like to donate to it. We had a just a few incidents.

Administrator Lynch said Trustee Pendergast brought up a good point to him, maybe we can approve a DPW worker or two to help with the restrooms, bathhouse and trash for next year's fireworks. Lynch said for those that are not aware of the current power situation at Henley Park, it could use upgrading, currently there's only 50amps for the boats and bridge house and museum. We did receive a quote from Scriba Electric for \$9,842 to bring in an underground service of 200amps, 100amp feed to third floor museum and 100amp to go behind the bridge house. Also the power supply by the ATM needs an upgrade as well, quote is \$2,457.00. We could consider a small fee from boaters. He'd like to go out and get more estimates and present it to the board at the next meeting. Trustee Dunn said he'd like to turn the park at the end of the Vickery building into a memorial police and firemen's park. Motion was made by Trustee Dunn for Jim Lynch to research for a memorial for the firemen and policemen, seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All ayes. Lynch said he'd like to award the repointing and cleaning of the weep poles on three sides of the grit room at the WWTP for \$3,200. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All ayes. Lynch spoke about Lock 1 Distillery wanting to purchase the property behind them that belongs to the Village, the board agreed to have them come to the board with an offer and layout what he'd like to do with the property and how he'll maintain it. Merle builders have a development going up on Rt. 57 and discussion regarding water has been in the works with Administrator Lynch.

Attorney Comments

Attorney Prosachik regarding the comprehensive plan and zoning amendment, we received a response from the department of health and they didn't object to anything, we do have to give the agencies by statute until the 6th to respond, haven't heard yet from DEC or DOT. Monday we can do a phone poll to formally adopt both of these, and based on that we'll adopt both resolutions stating that we've reviewed the environmental assessment form and find no significant or adverse environmental impact, her office will handle the publishing of the negative declaration and overnight the zoning law to the secretary of state for filing. Prosachik will work with the Mayor on the overlay district to come up with design standards. Prosachik has the Byrne Dairy documents for the Mayor to sign tonight. There was a discussion on how to move forward to receive our documents from the previous Attorney. Prosachik needs to meet with Chief so they can work on the draft of the laws that allows for them to boot cars that haven't paid their parking tickets.

Abstract

Abstract #9 dated July 2, 2019 in the amount of \$42,943.44. Trustee Mulderig made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 264-298; water fund vouchers 265-287; sewer fund vouchers 271-290; library fund vouchers 78-90; and trust and agency fund vouchers 59-67, seconded by Trustee Dunn. All ayes.

Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to approve meeting minutes of June 18, 2019, seconded by Trustee Griser. All ayes. Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to approve public hearing meeting minutes on June 18, 2019 Local Law 3 of 2019 – A Local Law amending Sub-Section E of Section 196-11 entitled “Interruption and Renewal of Service” of Chapter 196 entitle “Water” of the Code of the Village of Phoenix, seconded by Trustee Griser. All ayes. Motion was made by Trustee Griser to approve public hearing meeting minutes on June 18, 2019 relative to the adoption of the update to the Village of Phoenix Comprehensive Plan, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All ayes. Motion was made by Trustee Dunn to approve public hearing meeting minutes on June 18, 2019 relative to the adoption of proposed Local Law 4 of 2019 – A local law amending chapter 205 of the Village of Phoenix Municipal Code

relative to Zoning and the Zoning Map, seconded by Trustee Mulderig, Mayor Sweet aye, Trustee Pendergast nay, Trustee Griser aye, Motion carried.

New Business

Public Comments

Brian Borchik 145 State Street told the board that a contractor went through the stop sign on State Street and dropped stone in the road.

Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo
Village of Phoenix
Clerk/Treasurer