

Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 17, 2020 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
Trustee Paul Griser	Administrator James Lynch
Trustee Adam Mulderig	Absent Attorney Rebekah Prosachik
Trustee David Pendergast	

0 Public in Attendance

Mayor Sweet began the Board Meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor and Trustee Comments

Mayor Sweet had nothing.

Trustee Mulderig had nothing.

Trustee Pendergast said I think it's time to make the masks mandatory for our employees. Administrator Lynch said the DPW all have gators they wear when dealing with the public, water testing, going to the store, etc. There was a discussion regarding wearing them all the time. It was decided to have everyone be more diligent in wearing their masks.

Trustee Griser had nothing.

Trustee Dunn had nothing.

Department Comments

Administrator Lynch updated the board regarding the Park Street apartments, he's inspected the apartments and had given 60 days to comply, and there was something in almost every apartment to take care of. Today he has yet to hear from the owner to meet to go over everything. He is now going to issue a court order under NYS Building Code and Village Local Law Code Violation to the owner.

There was a discussion regarding the new contract with Enterprise Fire Department. Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to keep the contract at the same rate as last year and review the contract in one year, seconded by Trustee Dunn, Trustee Griser nay, Trustee Mulderig abstained, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion approved.

Administrator Lynch has prepared a proposal for Town of Schroepel Ainslee Drive Sewer Project. The board approved to send the Town the proposal.

Lynch discussed the annual tree lighting with the board. They've decided to do a virtual lighting with Santa and the board will participate. We'll advertise it on social media soon and how they can watch it virtually. Lynch said few communities are doing Light up the Town, he would like to move forward with that idea for the Village to have residents light up their houses, outside decorations, etc. He has also reached out to Judge Nazarien and Judge Brant to judge the decorations. The board was in favor.

Lynch said behind the scenes we work with each department to prepare the budget, we're in pretty good shape. The question has come up with purchasing a new police car. We're going to take the Crown Vic out of service along with some of our fleet vehicles and then auction them off. Typically a Resource Officer takes one of the vehicles to curb the speeding by the schools, the Taurus is eight years old now and he'd like to purchase a pickup.

Chief Nerber handed out October's monthly report to the board. They've had to cancel Shop with a Cop this year unfortunately. It's going to be very low key this year with the seniors that are on the CHOOSE program. OTB will prepare dinners for the seniors and there will only be a couple people involved with delivery. Chief has received a letter of resignation from Officer Brandon Harris. Chief has a candidate for the open position, Tom Nicolini who's retired from Syracuse Police Department and also works part time with Baldwinsville. Motion was made by Trustee Dunn to approve, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

Chief said as most of you are aware, we had damage to the building on November 3rd, the suspect spent 45 minutes here damaging the police door, garage doors, broke the window on the side door, damaged electric car charging station and windows near the lobby. We brought in evidence technicians that collected DNA and an abundance of evidence was collected. He was charged with a class D felony. We were assured by the district attorney that he'd give this case close attention and we'll monitor that.

Trustee Dunn asked how long they use the speed signs for the season, he asked if they could put one near the bridge by the substation for National Grid. Lynch said that they have to have a break away stub in the ground for the sign, he's not sure if it can be put there but he can look.

Abstract

Abstract #18 dated November 17, 2020 in the amount of \$131,881.40. Trustee Mulderig made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 531-561; water fund vouchers 530-560; sewer fund vouchers 534-556; library fund vouchers 107-115 and trust and agency fund vouchers 143-147, seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All in favor.

Motion to approve meeting minutes from October 20, 2020 was made by Trustee Dunn, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All in favor.

Ratify phone poll taken on November 9, 2020 to approve payment to Robert Green in the amount of \$70,758.83, motion was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All in favor.

Ratify phone poll taken on November 3, 2020 to approve abstract #17 in the amount of \$116,777.15 for general fund vouchers 508-528; water fund vouchers 512-525; sewer fund vouchers 512-529; library fund vouchers 101-106 and trust and agency fund vouchers 136-142, motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to approve, seconded by Trustee Dunn. All in favor.

Clerk Roxanne Demo asked for approval for budget amendment to transfer \$6,744.74 from the Contingency account A1990.400 to Building Maintenance account A1620.439 for two boilers for the Sweet Memorial Building, motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to approve, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

New Business

Mayor Sweet asked for a motion to hold a Budget/Special Meeting on December 17, 2020 at 7:00pm with a follow up meeting on January 19, 2020 at 6:40pm.

Facility use from Jackie Brouse for February 13, 2021 from 2:00-9:00pm for a graduation party, motion to approve was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All in favor.

Administrator Lynch said that as the time gets closer we will contact the people that have rented the building as to any rules that are in place per Governor Cuomo orders.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo
Village of Phoenix
Clerk/Treasurer