# Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM Sweet Memorial Building, 455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present: Mayor Caleb Sweet Chief Martin Nerber

Trustee Danny Dunn

Trustee Paul Griser

Trustee Adam Mulderig

Village Clerk Roxanne Demo
Administrator James Lynch
Attorney Jeffrey Schiano

Trustee David Pendergast

#### 3 Public in Attendance

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

#### **Steve Walts**

Steve introduced himself to the board, he owns the vacant property on Volney Street by the middle school and was looking for suggestions of what the board would like to see there. Administrator Lynch provided a list of approved uses for that property. The board did say it would be nice to have some type of a grocery store. Steve said that he has been looking into it and welcomes any other suggestions.

## **Mayor and Trustee Comments**

Mayor Sweet had nothing.

Trustee Mulderig had nothing.

Trustee Pendergast said that during the budget workshop we took the three percent raise away from the employees and he would like to have that decision reversed. Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to reinstate the three percent raise, seconded by Trustee Griser, Trustee Mulderig aye, Trustee Dunn nay. Motion approved. Trustee Pendergast asked if the Crown Vic would be removed from the police fleet vehicles. Chief Nerber said it will be auctioned off and the new vehicle will not be delivered until around June. Trustee Pendergast also asked if the School Resource Officers need a fully loaded police car. Chief said that the school would use the Taurus to transport juveniles to CPEP occasionally. Trustee Pendergast asked if we need to plow the north island. Trustee Mulderig said that the fire department does use the island for training in the winter and also to fill the trucks for rescue calls.

Trustee Griser gave a shout out to Brian Borchik on him starting up Operation Helping Out in the village. Trustee Dunn had nothing.

### **Department Comments**

Chief Nerber had nothing.

Administrator Lynch had nothing.

## **Attorney Schiano**

Attorney Schiano said he has looking into the issue with the property that the Village owns, tax map#305.00-01-02 on Kline Road, there's an abandoned well on the property and it was discussed years ago to pass the ownership to Jeffrey Kline. We need to prepare the deed that the village will sign, appropriate tax documents, before we can do that we need to have a resolution authorizing the transfer of surplus property which he has prepared and handed out to the Board. The resolution will need to be

approved and a public notice will be published. Motion to approve the resolution was made by Trustee Mulderig, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor. Schiano said he received a question as to if the DPW could request a vehicle be towed if parked in the road between 2:00-6:00am when they are plowing. Schiano said that Section 192.2 in the village code says that they do have the authority. Chief said he suggests that they call 911, so they have the information as to where the vehicle has been towed. Schiano spoke with the Oswego board of elections, there was a resolution to move the village election from March to November for purposes that the board of elections would cover the cost in November. They indicated that they would not cover the cost until the census is completed which will take two and a half to three years, they need to create our own election district. We will continue to conduct the election ourselves until the redistricting is completed. Schiano stated that he's received the water agreement with the Town of Schroeppel, he has reviewed the agreement, everything looks good, the rate is not entirely clear. Administrator Lynch said that when our rate goes up it needs to reflect the Town's rate increase. The contract will be reviewed for clarification on the rate. There was a discussion with regards to having a Village court, Attorney Schiano said it's a worthy discussion to have and will look into it further.

#### **Abstract**

Abstract #21 dated January 7, 2021 in the amount of \$167,397.31. Trustee Mulderig made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 611-648; water fund vouchers 610-647; sewer fund vouchers 612-647; library fund vouchers 130-137 and trust and agency fund vouchers 165-173, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor. Motion was made by Trustee Dunn to approve meeting minutes from December 1, 2020, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All in favor. Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to approve Executive Meeting minutes from December 1, 2020, seconded by Trustee Griser to approve public hearing/special meeting minutes from December 17, 2020, seconded by Trustee Mulderig. All in favor.

## **VILLAGE OF PHOENIX**

#### **OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK**

### January 5, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Phoenix, in the County of Oswego, New York was held at 455 Main Street, Phoenix, New York on January 5, 2021, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time).

**There were present**: Mayor Caleb Sweet

Trustee Adam Mulderig Trustee Paul Griser Trustee Danny Dunn Trustee David Pendergast

There were Absent: none

Also Present: Administrator Jim Lynch
Clerk/Treasurer Roxanne Demo

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Paul Griser, who moved its adoption, and second by Trustee Adam Mulderig to wit:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PHOENIX, OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUSITION OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$232,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$232,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES AND SERIAL BONDS OF THE VILLAGE TO PAY THE COST OF THE PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Phoenix, New York (the "Village") has determined that it is necessary for the Village to acquire certain equipment and vehicles for Village purposes (collectively, the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Village is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), ECL Section 8-0101, *et seq.*, and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations") and is required to make a determination with respect to the environmental impact of any "action" (as defined by SEQRA) to be taken by the Village and the approval of the Project and this bond resolution constitutes such an action; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village now desires to authorize the Project and the financing of the cost thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF PHOENIX, OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK (by favorable vote of not less than two thirds of said Board), AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The Village Board of Trustees hereby determines that the Project constitutes a "Type II Action" under Section 617.5(c)(25) of the Regulations and is not subject to review under SEQRA.
- <u>Section 2.</u> The acquisition of certain equipment and vehicles for Village purposes, at a maximum estimated cost of \$232,000, including all legal and professional costs and other necessary appurtenances and all other necessary costs incidental to such work, which is estimated to be the total cost thereof, is hereby approved.
- <u>Section 3</u>. To pay the cost of the purchase of equipment for various departments, including in each case incidental equipment and expenses in connection therewith, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$232,000 serial bonds of the Village pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, apportioned as follows:
- a) For the purchase of a truck to be used to repair and maintain Village betterments and improvements, and to remove snow from Village streets, at a maximum estimated cost of \$180,000, being a specific object or purpose, having a period of probable usefulness of 15 years, pursuant to subdivision

28 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$180,000 serial bonds of the \$232,000 serial bonds of the Village, herein authorized;

- b) For the purchase of a motor vehicle for police use, at a maximum estimated cost of \$52,000, being a specific object or purpose, having a period of probable usefulness of 3 years, pursuant to subdivision 77 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$52,000 serial bonds of the \$232,000 serial bonds of the Village, herein authorized.
- <u>Section 4</u>. It is hereby determined that the aggregate maximum estimated cost of the aforesaid objects or purposes described in Section 3 hereof is \$232,000, and that the plan for the financing thereof by the issuance of up to \$232,000 serial bonds herein authorized to be issued therefore pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, apportioned to each such object or purpose in accordance with the maximum estimated cost of each specified in Section 3 hereof.
- <u>Section 5</u>. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Village Treasurer, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.
- Section 6. The full faith and credit of said Village is hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said Village a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable.
- Section 7. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the Village, by the manual or facsimile signature of the Village Treasurer and a facsimile of its corporate seal shall be imprinted or impressed thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Village Clerk.
- Section 8. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as she shall deem best for the interests of the Village; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, she shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Village Treasurer shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.
- Section 9. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the Village by the facsimile signature of the Village Treasurer, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the Village), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be determined by the Village Treasurer. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the Village not to impose and collect from registered owners of such serial bonds

any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and, accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Village Treasurer shall determine.

- Section 10. The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.
- <u>Section 11</u>. The Village reasonably expects to reimburse itself for expenditures made for the Project out of the Village's General Fund from the proceeds of the bonds or notes herein authorized. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 2.
- Section 12. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein. Current funds are not required by the Local Finance Law to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds and any notes issued in anticipation thereof authorized by this resolution.
  - Section 13. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:
- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Village is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
  - 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.
- <u>Section 14</u>. The law firm of Trespasz & Marquardt, LLP is hereby appointed bond counsel to the Village in relation to the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized hereunder.
- Section 15. Pursuant to Section 36.00 of the Local Finance Law, this resolution shall be subject to permissive referendum and a summary hereof shall be published by the Village Clerk as provided by Village Law Section 9-900. This Resolution shall become effective 30 days after its adoption. Following such effective date, in the event that no petition for a referendum was timely submitted and filed, the Village Clerk shall cause the publishing and posting of a notice in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law together with a summary of this Bond Resolution.

**WHEREFORE**, the foregoing Resolution was put to a vote of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Village on January 5, 2021, the result of which vote was as follows:

TRUSTEE	<b>VOTE</b>
Trustee Adam Mulderig	Aye
Trustee Paul Griser	Aye
Trustee Danny Dunn	Aye
Trustee David Pendergast	Aye

**DATED**: January 5, 2021

# **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo Village of Phoenix Clerk/Treasurer