

Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM  
Sweet Memorial Building, 455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

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

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 said the pond is looking nice, with the split rail fence it looks fantastic and he's received a lot of compliments, the DPW did great work.

Trustee Pendergast had nothing.

Trustee Dunn asked who is in charge of the water chestnuts. Administrator Lynch said the NYS Canal. Dunn asked about the Bridge Street house project and if it was approved. Administrator Lynch said the zoning/planning board had their public hearing and approved the site plan. The developer will still need to provide offsets.

Trustee Griser had nothing.

### **Department Comments**

Chief Nerber reported that they held interviews last week for the School Resource Patrol Officer, they've hired Dan Ferazzoli for the position. Chief has a bag piper lined up to play for the 9/11 Ceremony.

Administrator Lynch said Oswego County Tourism came down and did a video shoot of what the village has to offer for tourists, boaters and more at Henley Park. It was a nice day of videoing with the Bridgehouse Brats kayaking and stand up boards. Lynch provided the board with a purposed schedule for street paving this year and sidewalks to be completed with CHIPS money, he asked the board to look it over and let him know if they have any questions or any changes. We will use our budgeted paving line to pave part of Chestnut Street. There is still a leak on the corner of Elm and Lock Street that needs to be addressed. Board approved to receive quotes for the repair of this leak. We have received half of our American Rescue Plan Act money and believe that this can be used towards the repair. Lynch said the WWTP plant roof project is underway. The Oswego County Federal Credit Union is proposing a drive-thru ATM at 101 Volney Street and has been sent to the planning board for review, a public hearing is planned for September 9, 2021.

Mayor Sweet asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss the ongoing and potential litigation regarding the Pheifer matter and election issue and potential of legal services. Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast at 7:46p, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

Motion to close the executive session at 8:28pm was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All in favor.

Motion to open regular meeting was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All in favor.

### **Attorney Comments**

Attorney Schiano said he's written a resolution granting the Mayor authority to enter into a retainer agreement with Harris Beach LLC for the sole purpose of dealing with the ongoing election issue. Motion to

approve retaining Harris Beach was made by Trustee Pendergast, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

### **Abstract**

Abstract #12 dated August 17, 2021 in the amount of \$68,287.00. Trustee Dunn made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 336-372; water fund vouchers 346-360; sewer fund vouchers 338-367; library fund vouchers 85-87 and trust and agency fund vouchers 92-96, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor. Motion was made by Trustee Dunn to approve meeting minutes from August 3, 2021 seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

### **Public Comments**

#### **New Business**

Motion was made by Trustee Griser to approve KL Consulting contract for 2021-22, seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All in favor

Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to schedule a public hearing for September 7, 2021 at 6:55pm to discuss the MS4 report, seconded by Trustee Dunn. All in favor.

Motion was made by Trustee Griser to adjourn the meeting at 8:38pm, seconded by Trustee Pendergast. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo  
Village of Phoenix  
Clerk/Treasurer