

Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 7:00 PM
Sweet Memorial Building, 455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

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

0 Public in Attendance

Mayor Sweet began the Board Meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:09 P.M.

Mayor and Trustee Comments

Mayor Sweet said the haunted house was a success and Halloween went well. He also said that he saw that they're pouring concrete pads at the pond. Administrator Lynch said yes and the benches and lighting will now be going in.

Trustee Griser said that Halloween was good and also wanted to give best wishes to the Chief.

Trustee Dunn said they need to raise the netting at the basketball court he saw a couple balls roll into the road and the river. Administrator Lynch said that the DPW are going to put their heads together over the winter to tweak a few things for the netting and lights. Dunn went to the DPW and told the guys that he hopes the resident didn't break the new sidewalk where they took their tree down. Lynch said an outside company took the tree down. Trustee Dunn said they are parking on State Street on the no parking side and has caused the buses and garbage truck difficulty getting through. Administrator Lynch said he gave everyone a month ago a sheet for who the liaisons for each department and who to call for any liaison information. When you see something, go down to the police department and talk to an officer. As a liaison to the police department, a Trustee and the Deputy Mayor have a conversation with the Chief. Dunn asked if he could knock on the door and say there isn't any parking on this side of the street and I'm letting you know because I don't want to see you get a ticket. Attorney Schiano said to piggyback on Lynch's point, which I think is the right point, you can say as a Trustee of the Village I'm just telling you we have advised the police department to take action on this. Schiano said you have a job to do, you, the legislative branch of government, the executive branch is the police department and they have a job to do. As a policy if we have an issue in the village, it's the executive job to enforce the boards position, they work for you, you have to make them understand and that this is something that matters to the board and needs to be enforced. Maybe you write a letter to the Chief, as the liaison and a board member stating you're requesting that the officers start writing tickets. Lynch said all I'm requesting is that the liaisons do their reports as they should be doing, so that there is some accountability and you're on the same page. Attorney Schiano said it's your job to communicate policy.

Department Comments

Administrator Lynch provided the board with the trees that are slotted to be taken down this year that were budgeted for, he also received a proposal for three additional trees that are in pretty bad shape. The additional amount is \$4,920. Motion was made by Trustee Griser to transfer the money from contingency account A1990.400 to tree maintenance A8560.400, seconded by Trustee Dunn, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried. Lynch *also* discussed the annual tree lighting ceremony and what

the board would like to do this year. Trustee Griser will work with him on some ideas.

Attorney Comments

Attorney Schiano spoke about the code violation coming up with the court and discussed the benefits with the Village having its own court. There was a short discussion regarding the election, details should be coming from Harris Beach this week.

Abstract

Abstract #17 dated November 2, 2021 in the amount of \$112,268.57. Trustee Griser made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 520-549; water fund vouchers 522-548; sewer fund vouchers 522-548; library fund vouchers 122-128 and trust and agency fund vouchers 139-145, seconded by Trustee Dunn, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Griser to approve meeting minutes from October 19, 2021 seconded by Trustee Dunn, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

New Business

Facility Use for the auditorium from Amelia DeVolder for February 19, 2022 from 9:30am-5:00pm for bridal shower. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Dunn, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Griser to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm, seconded by Trustee Dunn, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo
Village of Phoenix
Clerk/Treasurer