# Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM Sweet Memorial Building - 455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present: Mayor Caleb Sweet Chief Marty Nerber

Trustee Brian Borchik Village Clerk Roxanne Demo Trustee Danny Dunn Administrator James Lynch Trustee Paul Griser Attorney Jeffrey Schiano

**Trustee David Pendergast** 

1 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 I see the bank is going up pretty quick, should have trusses by the end of the week. Trustee Pendergast had nothing

Trustee Borchik handed out a picture of what the mural may look like on the side of the building. There will be a frame built 20'x8'. Today he dropped off the boat to be lettered, he serviced the boat and replaced one of the lights and the boat is in nice shape.

Trustee Dunn thanked the police department, they took a video off his phone of someone who was removing items off his porch. He also thanked them for stopping the speeders and motorcycles. Trustee Griser said we've been talking about having the court in the Village and it's time to take action and move forward. This is more of a quality of life, should be little to no cost to the taxpayers. Attorney Schiano stated as a general rule smaller courts are going to pay for themselves or breakeven. Motion was made by Trustee Griser to move forward with the court, seconded by Trustee Borchik, Trustee Pendergast aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

## **Departments**

Chief Nerber thanked Trustee Borchik for doing all the work on the boat. Regarding the motorcycle problem, we will not chase them, we have a handle on it, so if anyone asks we're trying to deal with it the safest way possible. We've arrested one young man and the other arrest is imminent. Trustee Dunn asked how many speed signs we have and can we move them around. After a discussion a motion was made by Trustee Griser to spend up to \$15,000 of the ARPA funds to purchase additional speed signs, seconded by Trustee Borchik, Trustee Dunn aye, Trustee Pendergast aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried. Trustee Pendergast also brought up that the DPW needs a jackhammer for the backhoe. Administrator Lynch will get some quotes and report back to the board. Attorney Schiano said you should ask the DPW the most important things they need and bring that before the board.

Administrator Lynch said Friday is our annual fireworks display and Strawberry Festival, we have seven food trucks and crafters. We don't have a date yet as to when the DRI application is due by, Trustee Borchik, Trustee Griser and Mayor have been getting together doing some work behind the scene and he and Trustee Griser met also and came up with a plan as to how to present it. Now we need to get letters of support, Lynch will make a list and divide it up to have the board reach out to them. Lynch asked if Mayor had reached out to Dave Turner to come to a board meeting. Mayor has not yet. Lynch met with Trustee Dunn and Chris Razey down to the location for the first responder's memorial on Bridge Street, Windstream has agreed to deed us over some property.

#### **Attorney Comments**

Attorney Schiano said that at the last meeting we had questions regarding chickens, he has reviewed the Local Law from 2019, the law states a maximum of five chickens and no one is grandfathered in. Lynch asked that he draft an application for chickens or take it out of the code. Trustee Pendergast asked why the village is not receiving any money from the Town of Schroeppel for tickets written. Attorney Schiano said will look into this.

#### Abstract

Abstract #8 dated June 21, 2022 in the amount of \$71,431.49. Trustee Borchik made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 241-275; water fund vouchers 244-275; sewer fund vouchers 242-274; library fund vouchers 53-57 and trust and agency fund vouchers 48-52, seconded by Trustee Dunn, Trustee Pendergast aye, Trustee Griser aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to approve meeting minutes from June 7, 2022 seconded by Trustee Borchik aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Trustee Griser aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

#### **New Business**

Motion to approve the Resolution asserting lead agency status and issuing an impact declaration pursuant to the provisions of the New York State environmental quality review act was made by Trustee Dunn, seconded by Trustee Borchik, Trustee Griser aye, Trustee Pendergast aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

# RESOLUTION ASSERTING LEAD AGENCY STATUS AND ISSUING AN IMPACT DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

WHEREAS, the Village of Phoenix has been working to resolve inflow and infiltration concerns in its wastewater system as well as certain capacity issues that have prevented it from providing adequate service to the Village and surrounding areas, and

**WHEREAS,** the Village has partnered with the Town of Schroeppel, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency and Oswego County in a mutual effort to resolve these matters, and

WHEREAS, a scope of work to achieve the aforementioned goals has been identified and an engineering report prepared for the completion of that work and that these documents have been carefully reviewed, then therefore be it and it is hereby

**RESOLVED** that the Village of Phoenix, is the Lead Agency, and hereby determines that the proposed project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and hereby issues a Negative Declaration pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act for the reasons set forth in the attached Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1: The Village of Phoenix Waste Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation.

**RESOLVED** that the Mayor of the Village of Phoenix is authorized to take all actions reasonable and necessary to file the Negative Declaration and discharge the Village of Phoenix responsibility as the Lead Agency for this action.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF PHOENIX, NEW YORK.

Caleb B. Sweet Mayor Village of Phoenix

# **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Trustee Borchik to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:52pm, seconded by Trustee Pendergast, Trustee Dunn aye, Trustee Griser aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Roxanne Demo Village of Phoenix Clerk/Treasurer