

## **Village of Hammondsport**

**February 9, 2021**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

The Village of Hammondsport Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Office, 18 Water Street, Hammondsport and via ZOOM teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Emery L. Cummings, Jr  
Trustee Anne C. Green  
Trustee Stella Pulver  
Trustee Lew Hall  
Trustee Leah Butler  
Water Plant Supervisor Chris McConnell  
DPW Superintendent Ray Hawley  
Police Sergeant Jason Dininny  
Clerk-Treasurer Tammie Nelson

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sheriff James Allard, Dawn White and Brad Sick from Larson Design

**OTHERS PRESENT via ZOOM:** Steve Veley, DJ Morse, Jean Jensen, Bee Keck, Lorraine Manelis, Jeff Evans, Geoff Grimsman, Alan Carpenter and Jean Jensen

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Emery L Cummings, Jr. announcing that due to the current COVID pandemic and following Governor Cuomo's executive orders, the meeting will be conducted following the guidelines in Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Public Hearing on NYS Community Development Block Grant. Presented by Bradly Sick from Larson Design was opened at 6:02 PM by Mayor Cummings.

With questions asked and answered by the board and residents, Trustee Green made a motion and seconded by Trustee Pulver to close the Public Hearing at 6:13 p.m.

## **PRESENTATION: POLICE REFORM**

Presentation by Sheriff James Allard of Steuben County, Dawn White from Corning Inc and Sergeant Jason Dininny on the Police Reform and Reinvention. This Police Reform is to comply with the Executive Order put forth by the NYS Governor. Sergeant Dininny has banded together with the county to create a Police Reform for the Village of Hammondsport.

There will be a two (2) week review period for the public of the Village of Hammondsport's Police Reform. Public comment will be accepted via email, regular mail, dropped off at the Village Office or email. Public comment will end on February 22, 2021 and there will be a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 6:00 PM in the Village Office.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

Minutes: On motion of Trustee Green, seconded by Trustee Pulver, and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of January 12, 2021.

Abstract: On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Hall and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract #12, Claims #371-412 totaling \$71,207.38 and Water Fund Abstract #12, Claims #138-148, totaling \$2633.43.

## **Department Reports**

**Police:** Sergeant Jason Dininny submitted a written report of the Police Department. Activities included: 162 calls for service, 3 criminal investigations, 53 Follow up Investigations, 25 Property Checks.

Discussion on sending Officer Stremel to training for long gun repair at the cost of \$450.00. Sergeant Dininny has agreed to look into shared services with the Sheriff's department in place of this training.

Sergeant Dininny requested permission to purchase another radio as a spare for the cost of approx. \$2000.00. The board would like Sergeant Dininny to look into using Officer Woodsworth's as the spare as he is not putting in many hours at this time.

After board discussion, On motion of Trustee Green, seconded by Trustee Butler and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is authorized to set up new email addresses, for the department heads, through our website at the cost of \$5.00 a month each.

**DPW:** DPW Superintendent Hawley submitted a written report on the DPW. Activities included: Plowed and salted streets, cleared sidewalks, salted sidewalks, picked up and

burned Christmas Trees, truck maintenance, changed lights in the park, cleaned off catch basins, serviced small equipment, took down nativity scene, measured for the ice skating rink, washed and waxed vehicles, and picked up cold patch.

**Water Plant:** Supervisor McConnell submitted a written report on the Water Plant activities. Activities included: Pump house, residuals, samples, turbidity, UFPO, annual water quality report, water withdrawal, water shut offs, body feeder work, final water readings, water emergency 84 Shethar Street, repaired pre coat tank and plowed and salted pumphouse.

Supervisor McConnell reported that the body feeders are being built for the pumphouse.

**Finance:** Village Clerk submitted a report of the Clerk's Office activities. Activities included: Meetings with Code Officer Kevin Gargan and Mike Slowinski, meetings with Code Officer Kevin Gargan, new hire paperwork, retirement reporting webinar, ice rink research, updated contact list, server installed, tax relevy, caucus paperwork, annual water quality report, Tax Searches, county paperwork, closed November books, Phone calls with Attorney Ryan, land acquisition, Legal ads, work on the Watershed letters, KWIC Report and general code, NYCOM webinars, business changes/policy changes, ZOOM meetings, Civil service paperwork and Paperwork for the Wastewater Treatment Project.

On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Green and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following budget transfers.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – AYE  
Trustee Green – AYE  
Trustee Pulver – AYE  
Trustee Hall – AYE  
Trustee Butler – AYE

Motion Carried

**General Fund**

Elections	A1450.4	\$12.51
Preston	A8160.41	\$111.95
Police	A3120.2	\$1028.13
Code Enforce.	A8010.1	\$865.50

**Water Fund**

Water Main	F8340.2	\$51,747.08
	F8320.2	\$580.00
Disability Ins	F9055.8	\$194.68

**Reserve Funds**

F878	Equipment	\$30,000.00
A878	Equipment	\$30,000.00
A231E	Highway Equipment	\$10,000.00
A231P	Police	\$8,000.00

A231S	Street	\$30,000.00
A232	Employee	\$5,000.00

**Parks:** Ice Rink that was ordered has arrived and is currently at the Village Garage. Trustee Pulver and Trustee Butler are going to work on a list of rules to be posted. There is a to-do list, Sergeant Dininny will work on getting the cars/trailer out of the parking lot, a sign needs to be made, DPW will set it up and liability insurance will need to be confirmed.

**KWIC:** Trustee Green reported that at the last meeting took place vial audio. Meetings going forward will be held every other month going forward. The water level is up due to the snow.

**Zoning and Building:** No report.

Trustee Green made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pulver, and carried, all voting Aye, to accept the Department Reports.

**Beautification Committee:** No report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Comprehensive Plan:** The Comprehensive Plan is in final stages, the clerk will call Ingalls Planning to determine the next steps.

**Wastewater Treatment Project:** Final engineer drawings are almost complete and they would like to go out to bid by early spring.

**Historic Marker Grant:** There are two more signs that have been awarded and ordered.

**Policy Review:** The Cell Phone and Computer/Internet have been tabled until the next regular meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Election Inspectors:**

Trustee Pulver made a motion, seconded by Trustee Butler to approve the following Election Inspectors for the March 16, 2021 Village Election:

Republican                      Suzanne Curran  
    Linda Kressly  
 Democrat:                        Catherine Kleckner

ROLL CALL VOTE:            Mayor Cummings            AYE  
    Trustee Green                AYE  
    Trustee Pulver               AYE  
    Trustee Butler               AYE  
    Trustee Hall                 AYE

Motion Passed.

**Annual Trash Pick-Up Day:** The Village trustees have agreed to schedule the Annual Trash for Monday, June 7, 2021.

**Unpaid Water:** On motion of Trustee Hall, seconded by Trustee Butler, and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, to approve the re-levy of the following water bills totaling \$2,277.20 on the March 1, 2021 Village of Hammondsport Real Property Tax Bills.

ROLL CALL VOTE:            Mayor Cummings            AYE  
    Trustee Green                AYE  
    Trustee Pulver               AYE  
    Trustee Butler               AYE  
    Trustee Hall                 AYE

Motion Passed.

Tax Map Number	Account Number	Name of Property Owner	Address	Reason	Amount
118.05-01-036.000	1145	Muller Steven G	118 Pulteney Street		265.44
118.06-02-057.000	176	Morgan Todd	34 Lake St		644.03
118.06-02-059.000	191	Frontier Communications	38 Lake St		357.85
118.09-01-032.000	561	Hilligus Ernest	8 Grape St		147.31
118.09-01-078.000	143	BrownSandberg Susan	11 Curtiss Ave		234.75
118.09-01-085.000	624	Rago Joe	19 Curtiss Ave		443.21
118-09-02-059.000	970	Thompson Jason	10 Davis Ave		184.61
					<b>\$ 2,277.20</b>

**Rezoning Application:**

Rezoning Application 2021-007, submitted by Keuka Shores Land Company, LLC represented by Stephen Veley, Donald Morse and Attorney Jeff Evans, 35 West Lake Road, Hammondsport. Applicants seek rezone this property from the current classification of High Density Residential to Business One (1).

On motion of Trustee Hall, seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED to refer rezoning application 2021-007, to the Village of Hammondsport's Planning Board, next regular meeting February 24, 2021, for their review of this property from the current classification of High Density Residential to Business One (1).

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – AYE

Trustee Green – AYE

Trustee Pulver – AYE

Trustee Hall – AYE

Trustee Butler – AYE

Motion Carried.

**Correspondence:**

**Letter from Brian Durnan, Crooked Lake/ Park Inn:**

Letter was received to ask the board to consider the Closure of Shethar Street from Mechanic Street to Park Place, again this summer, to allow for the restaurants to set up tents and expand outdoors for additional seating.

After Board discussion, On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Green, and carried all voting Aye to approve the Closure of Shethar Street from Mechanic Street to Park Place, again this summer, to allow for the restaurants to set up tents and expand outdoors for additional seating from May 31, 2021 until October 11, 2021.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – AYE

Trustee Green – AYE

Trustee Pulver – AYE

Trustee Hall – AYE

Trustee Butler – AYE

Motion Carried.

**Letter from Linda Vang:**

Letter received from Linda Vang, 21 Shethar Street, requesting that the penalty charges be waved. The Clerk never received the payment and Linda Vang confirmed the check had never been cashed. The board agreed not to wave the penalty on the water bill.

On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Pulver, and carried, all voting Aye to go into executive session to discuss the employment of a particular person at 8:05 p.m.

On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Butler, and carried, all voting Aye to go come out of executive session at 8:15 p.m.

On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Butler, and carried, all voting Aye to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammie Nelson,  
Village of Hammondsport Clerk-Treasurer