

Village of Hammondsport
November 14, 2023
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

The Village of Hammondsport Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting at 6:00pm on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at the Village Office, 18 Water Street, Hammondsport, NY and via ZOOM teleconference.

PRESENT: Mayor Jean Jensen
Trustee Stella Pulver
Trustee Leah Butler
Trustee Joshua Rosenbloom
Trustee Deborah Lynch
Clerk-Treasurer Christina Watson
DPW Supervisor Christopher McConnell
Police Chief Jason Dininny

ABSENT: Code Officer Chuck Cagle

OTHERS PRESENT: ACarpenter, KEckhoff and JoMitchell

Mayor Jensen opened the meeting at 6:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Mayor Jensen added "Conflict of Interest to the Policy Manuel" under New Business. On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Butler, and carried, all voting Yea accept the new item to the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

PRESENTATION: None

BUSINESS MEETING:

- On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Yea, to accept the October 3, 2023 minutes.
- All reviewed the General and Water Funds.
- JRosenbloom asked about Cardinal and DLynch asked about Five Star.
- TWatson commented that Cardinal bill is for all the Village and Five Star is the credit card.
- On motion of Mayor Jensen, seconded by Trustee Butler and carried, all voting Yea, as Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract #09, totaling \$29,847.12 claims #248-298 and hereby authorized to pay the Water Fund Abstract #09, totaling \$22,558.87 claims #074-098.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: SEE ATTACHMENTS

Code Enforcement-No report, Mayor Jensen read info. from Chuck, talked about Luca, CCagle will do inspection 11/21, JRosenbloom/Mayor Jensen discussed why not shut them down. LButler what's repercussions if not taking care of. "need to know" list on how do we know. New business.

Police-discussed missing person, drugs, and burglary and traffic complaint and suspicious condition. JDininny-time constraints on parks, no laws, signs-yes. Discussed cell phone, additional for truck

DPW-CMcConnell talked about the trees and specifically Bradford Pear, invasive species, from DPW conf. Mayor Jensen may need to talk about trees, over a number of years, CMcConnell will count how many. CMcConnell expectations of Bandstand & Pulteney Park.

Parks-Mayor Jensen talked about the nativity scene and develop a plan for tree removal. LButler thanked JRosenbloom & AStull for decorating, thanked JRosenbloom and family for taking the decorations down & thanked DLynch for handing out candy. Also, discussed Halloween in all.

Clerk-Good

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Beautification Committee-SPulver stated haven't had a meeting, wondered about xmas decors. CM stated 11/25 per NClark.

Town of Urbana-JRosenbloom stated the meeting tonight, NY Forward Grant & Elections.

KWIC/KLOC-none

Finance Report-all good

OLD BUSINESS:

- Wastewater
 - no questions
 - TWatson explained EDU's
- Videoconferencing
 - not ethics board
 - yes to village, planning and zoning boards and placed on website
 - budget and code workshops to zoom and record but not placed on website
 - look at this in a Code Workshop
- Fee Schedule
 - talked about watershed inspector's pay and fees charged, deputy clerk to follow up with MHicks
 - On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom, and carried all voting Yea to approve the new fee schedule.
- Church Rectory
 - Mayor Jensen gave an update
 - Set a date to tour-week after Thanksgiving in the AM
 - The tour is of potential office space
 - Publicize date
- Historic District
 - Update on identified properties and the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- JoMitchell commented on Halloween
- ACarpenter mentioned Town has meeting tonight too
- ACarpenter mentioned Arbor Day Committee-free trees
- ACarpenter-NY Forward Grant
- ACarpenter-LL fields to stay and a new concession stand with Town project
- ACarpenter-Luca comments, overburdened Code Officer

NEW BUSINESS:

- On motion of Trustee Lynch, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom and carried all voting Yea, to approve the Conflict of Interest from Chapter 11-4 of the Village Codes as a Policy in the Policy Manuel.
- On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Yea, to approve the budget journal entries.
- On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Lynch and carried all voting Yea, to approve the resolution of the tax relevies to Steuben County.
- On motion of Trustee Lynch, seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Yea, to approve the resolution of the outside village relevies of the water bills to Steuben County.
- No need for an attorney for the Planning and Zoning Boards, Mayor Jensen commented.
- A public hearing will be on December 12, 2023 for Local Law 1 of 2024 authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c.
- On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom and carried all voting Yea, to approve the resolution to adopt the changes to Chapter 87. Peddling, Soliciting and Vending
- On motion of Mayor Jensen, seconded by Trustee Lynch and carried all voting Yea, to approve the resolution to adopt the Repeal of Chapter 38. Bicycles
- On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom and carried all voting Yea, approve Hanging Banner updated.
- On motion of Mayor Jensen, seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Yea, to approve application for "Keuka Lake Art Show 2024".
- On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Butler and carried all voting Yea, to approve application for "Wine Country Classic Boat Show".

- On motion of Mayor Jensen, seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Yea, to accept the appointment of John Cerio as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals.
- On motion of Trustee Rosenbloom, seconded by Trustee Butler and carried all voting Yea, to accept the appointment of Trustee Pulver as Deputy Mayor.
- On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Lynch and carried all voting Yea, to accept the monetary donation from the Beautification Committee and Meade Foundation for the Pulteney Park Nativity Scene.
- On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Butler and carried all voting Yea, to approve the AFR contract with Carol Golden, CPA.

CORRESPONDENCE: BYahn letter and JMartello letter. Mayor Jensen, previously discussed changing law and see what the capacity is in 3 years.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: ACarpenter googled CCagle and read what he saw.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Mayor Jensen asked for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss employment of an appointed position.
- On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom, and carried all voting Yea to enter into executive session at 8:13pm.
- On motion of Trustee Pulver, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom, and carried all voting Yea to close the executive session at 8:56pm.

On motion of Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Rosenbloom, and carried, all voting Yea to adjourn the village board meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Watson
Village of Hammondsport Clerk-Treasurer