

VILLAGE OF SAVONA

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Savona, NY 14879

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Minutes for October 15, 2020

The public hearing meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:47 PM at the Village Hall on the above date by Mayor Brian Scott.

PRESENT: Mayor Brian Scott, Trustees: Mary Finch, Chris McCann (Until start of regular board meeting), Tina Carson, Carl Peters Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: VCT Heather Swarhout, Ken DeWert, Henry Dalrymple, Mike Slowinski

VCT Heather Swarhout read the legal ad.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Mayor Scott opened the floor to public speakers at 5:50 PM.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Scott closed the floor to public speakers at 5:51 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Public Hearing is in regards to moving \$12,844.02 from the Fund Balance to the Water Repair Reserve Fund and then to the Purification Contractual expenditure line item to pay Invoice #155. This is to replace meter readers that have batteries dying in them.

The original bill was for \$13,327.06 and the new invoice had a credit bringing the amount due down to \$12,844.02.

Mayor Scott started the regular board meeting at 6:08 PM.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

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Mayor Scott introduced Henry Dalrymple from Dalrymple Contracting who owns property in the Village. They are interested in working with the Village and mining the gravel on

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the land owned by the company, and leaving it to where the land can be used for Residential or other renovations due to the Village being land-locked. There is roughly 120 acres owned on the west side of the Village and the entrance to the land is off the bridge on West Lamoka. This is just an introduction and conversation has not been started with Dalrymple Contracting at this time. Trustee Peters Jr. and Trustee Carson agreed to be the contact to Dalrymple Contracting as they will be closer to the site.

Mayor Scott closed the floor to public speakers at 6:15 PM.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Resolution #1: Mayor Scott requested a motion to approve the September 2020 Treasurer's Report.

Motion 1: Trustee McCann

Motion 2: Trustee Peters Jr.

All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0

MINUTES:

Resolution #2 Mayor Scott requested a motion to approve the September 17, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion 1: Trustee Finch

Motion 2: Trustee Carson

All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0

Resolution #3 Mayor Scott requested a motion to approve the September 22, 2020 Organizational Meeting Minutes.

Motion 1: Trustee McCann

Motion 2: Trustee Peters Jr.

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All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0

BOARD REPORTS:

Trustee Mary Finch –

- Per CDC guidelines the Church and Library has no Halloween functions this year.

Trustee Tina Carson –

- Light on Grove Street has been fixed.
- Bath Town Board Meeting was converted from in person meeting to Zoom and was unable to participate in the meeting due to technical difficulties on the Town's end.
- A few people questioned about Halloween.

Trustee Carl Peters Jr. –

- Fire Department executive board meeting determined to cease and desist on any meetings and trainings, just answer calls. No Halloween at the department this year.

Mayor Scott –

- Fire Hydrant insurance, spoke to Progressive and filed our demand letter for payment for the Hydrant.
- Hero Banners have been ordered, spoke to Tom Austin, Town of Campbell and Hornby for their shared service bucket truck, and they will be coming and hanging the banners for us this year. Still aiming for Veteran's Day to have them hung. Received permission from NYSEG but not Verizon as of yet.
- Town of Bath had two ladders ruined in the fire on Main Street in Savona. The total is \$1,480 and it has been submitted to insurance as the Village has no deductible required.
- Mr. Spaulding said that they have two to three interested buyers, selling the property as is. It is currently in the hands of the attorneys and doing the transfer of the property.
- Daubs Thompson from Crestwood called back regarding the four corners on Eagle Valley Road and West Lamoka Ave. We asked for \$36,000 and was told that they have their budget put together and will vote on it the first week in November. He has put in for \$20,000 but said if we are short, when it comes time to completing the project they will be able to help.
- Deb Smith on Manning Avenue spoke to Brian, is very concerned with garbage blowing into their yard and suspicious activity late at night. Spoke with Sheriff's Office and Bath Code Enforcer regarding what the Village has done so far and was told there is nothing more that can be done. The Village will be looking into this further, including the following:

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- Received details in regards to garbage pick up in the Village and having a routine garbage pick up billed to residents. The Village of Hammondsport model contract is of interest and are currently paying \$6,500 a month, \$78,000 per year, divided by 432 residents for \$15.05 a month. This is something that will be discussed in the next board meeting.

Trustee Chris McCann –

- Referred a traveling softball team to Brian, and Brian spoke to them. The group is looking to use the park softball fields next weekend starting Friday and ending on Sunday for a tournament. They have their players sign waivers and do not have insurance or a liability insurance waiver for their team and cannot use the field.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Department - No report submitted

Court report for September 2020:

Report:	\$7,822.00
Closed Cases:	25
Received Cases:	11

Code Enforcement Officer – No report submitted

Water Department - No report submitted

Animal Control - No report submitted

Town of Bath – No report submitted

OLD BUSINESS:

TAX COLLECTION RELEVY

After having reviewed the return of unpaid taxes and having determined that it is a true transcript, we need a motion to approve the unpaid taxes and return them to Steuben County to be placed on the January 2021 town and county tax. The amount to be returned is \$13,004.72 (\$12,041.40 unpaid tax and \$963.32 penalty) for the 2020/2021 fiscal year.

Mayor Scott requested a motion to approve the resolution for returning the unpaid taxes to the county.

25 unpaid in the amount of \$13,004.72

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282 paid in amount of \$185,707.40

Motion 1: Trustee Finch

Motion 2: Trustee McCann

All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0

NEW BUSINESS:

HALLOWEEN

Discussion was made and agreed upon that Halloween will take place on October 31st between the hours of 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm. Social distancing advised and masks will be required.

PARK GATES

The park gates discussion has been tabled. The park is closed for the season. It was suggested to discuss this again before the park opens closer to March 2021.

ELECTION LEGAL AD – DESIGNATION OF OFFICES

Mayor Scott read the legal ad to be placed in the paper.

The General Election for the Village of Savona will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at the Village Municipal Building, 15 McCoy Street, Savona, from Noon through 9 p.m. The following positions are the offices and terms to be filled.

TRUSTEE – Two Offices with Two Year terms

MAYOR – One Office with One Two Year term

FERRARA PUMPER INSTALLATION PURCHASE CONTRACT PAYMENT

Resolution #7: Mayor Scott requested a motion to approve payment of \$32,682.40 for the 2016 Ferrara Pumper Contract.

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Motion 1: Trustee Peters Jr.

Motion 2: Trustee McCann

All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0

WATER REPAIR RESERVE FUND PUBLIC HEARING

Resolution #7:

At a meeting of the Savona Village Board of Trustees (“the Board”), duly held on October 15, 2020, at which meeting a motion to pass the following resolution was made by Trustee Finch and seconded by Trustee McCann, the following resolution was duly passed by a vote of four in favor.

WHEREAS, the Village of Savona operates a Water Repair Reserve Fund (“Reserve Fund”) as authorized by New York General Municipal Law §6-d; and

WHEREAS, a duly-noticed public hearing was held on October 15, 2020 at 5:45pm regarding the proposed expenditure of \$13,327.06 from the Reserve Fund for the purchase of replacement water meters; and

WHEREAS, the board has determined the purchase of replacement water meters is a repair of the capital improvement of a type not recurring annually or at shorter intervals and will aid the Village in providing a reliable and economical water supply; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that an expenditure of \$12,844.82 from the Reserve Fund for the purchase of replacement water meters is in the Village’s best interest;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is the lead agency for the purposes of SEQR and this action is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(C)(1) (maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility) for which no further environmental impact review is needed; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is not subject to permissive referendum;

NOW THEREFORE, THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAVONA, RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

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1. The sum of \$12,844.82 shall be transferred from the Fund Balance to the Water Repair Reserve Fund ("Reserve Fund"); and
2. The Board approves and directs the expenditure of \$12,844.82 from the Reserve Fund for the purchase of replacement water meters.

GOING VIRTUAL

There was added discussion in regards to going virtual for the next meeting or future meetings. This will be revisited within two weeks, two weeks prior to the November meeting, and the public will be notified if and when this will happen.

BILLS

Resolution #8 was requested by Mayor Scott to approve the bills for Abstract #005, dated October 15, 2020, General fund totaling \$58,479.76 and Water fund totaling \$15,400.97 for a total of \$73,880.73.

Motion 1: Trustee Peters Jr.

Motion 2: Trustee Finch

All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott requested a motion to close the regular board meeting at 6:43 PM.

Motion 1: Trustee McCann

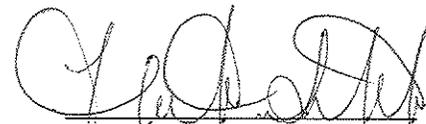
Motion 2: Trustee Peters Jr.

All in favor:

Yea = Trustee Finch, Trustee Carson, Trustee Peters Jr., Trustee McCann

No = 0

Absent = 0



Heather M. Swarhout

VCT