

REGULAR MEETING

September 20, 2021

PRESENT: Mayor Robinson, Trustees Appleton, Gardner, LaWall, and Wagner, Clerk Allen, Chief Hoffmeister, and Superintendent Evans

Others Present: James Ferrin, Val Duell, Brenda Kelly, James McLaughlin, Noah Beckstrand, Brock Beckstrand, Val Henrici, Marcia Rease, Becky Ryan, and Brandon Zeches.

Mayor Robinson presided.

Meeting was open with a salute to the flag.

The minutes from the previous meeting of September 7, 2021 were approved as submitted by email.

LEGION HALL - Noah Beckstrand presented his final project report for the resurfacing of the floors in the Legion meeting rooms for his Eagle Scout project. He showed progress pictures and thanked everyone who helped and donated to the project. The mayor thanked Noah for all of the hard work he put into the project. He even had Legion signs made to place on the door of the room and then everyone who helped with the project signed another to hang in the meeting room. Jim McLaughlin thanked the board for giving Noah the opportunity to do this as his Eagle Scout project.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS – Val Henrici advised the board that the Chamber has funds left from grants to paint train trestle on East Buffalo St and is looking at doing possibly both sides. There was much discussion on traffic control as this is a state highway. Superintendent Evans and Val to communicate on this. Moonlight Magic will be held on December 3rd and Fire Department Scoop will be held on October 16th. She asked if there was any progress with repositioning dumpsters in the west lot. Superintendent Evans has been getting input from different garbage companies and coming up with ideas to rectify. Want to be proactive with new tenant that is going in at 5, 15, and 19 N. Main St. to address potential parking concerns. Discussed the new cannabis law and expressed that not a lot of businesses are in favor of it in the downtown area. Brandon asked if it was possible to get garbage cans on Main St. during Moonlight Magic.

PARK-SUMMER RECREATION – Marcia Rease was pleased with the summer recreation program as a whole this year but was disappointed by some of the complaints and comments made to the Recreation Director. She questioned the brush/garbage on the streets, the general look of a business on N. Main St., and a trailer parked on a terrace. She wanted to know if the code enforcement officer should/could enforce it. Brush collection is the last full week of the month. Mayor explained that the CEO has a lot of responsibility and comes to village board meetings once a quarter and planning board meetings when there are village items. She also addressed her concerns about the marijuana/cannabis law. She does not approve as she feels it will complicate an already growing drug problem and feels that the revenues would never get to the villages and towns.

CANNABIS LEGISLATION – Val Duell addressed the board with several concerns over allowing dispensaries including, all of the unknowns at this point, it is still federally illegal, worker’s compensation coverage, zoning laws, and asked if the board would be open to a panel for discussion. The mayor said the board is always open to listen to the community and that they had spoken to an attorney who is very knowledgeable on the cannabis law. The board is doing their due diligence looking at both sides and agrees that there is not enough regulation out there yet and they will continue to monitor what the state is doing and look at those factors when making a decision. As far as the zoning is concerned, that would have to be addressed at that time. Becky Ryan addressed the deadline should the village decide to opt out and the mayor advised that he and the board are aware.

PARK USE – Received request from Partners for Prevention for use of the ball field for a kickball tournament on October 11, 2021.

LEGION HALL – Received request from Warsaw Central School for use of the Legion Hall for cross country meet on October 28, 2021.

LEGION HALL – Received request from Wyoming County Youth Bureau for use for a sensory friendly Halloween event on October 29, 2021.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS- The mayor read the proclamation that he presented to the Mary Jemison Chapter of the daughters of the American Revolution in recognition of Constitution Week.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS – The mayor sent a letter to the Ag Center in support of Warsaw Junior Tigers using their facility to review game footage and create game plans.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Hoffmeister addressed moving the observance of Halloween to Saturday, October 30th due to the timing of the parade and amount of traffic from the Buffalo Bill’s game happening at the same time.

RESOLUTION #141 OF 2021

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS: HALLOWEEN OBSERVANCE

Motion made by Trustee Gardner
Seconded by Trustee LaWall

RESOLVED – That the observance of Halloween be held on Saturday October 30, 2021 with a 9 pm curfew be hereby approved.

CARRIED

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Ferrin advised they are expecting a large turnout for Bill Shumaker’s funeral. The department is coordinating with the school for parking and use of buses. They have fire police coming in and requested use of the Public Works shop parking lot for members of the Warsaw Fire Department. Val Duell offered her lot on Allen St. as well.

They were approved for a grant with a 5% match. There was a fire on Gouinlock St. and Chief Ferrin thanked Chief Hoffmeister and the PD for their help with traffic control as part of 20A had to be shut down. The mayor was happy to hear the news about the grant and offered his sympathies to the department. Bill's passing will be a huge loss to the department.

PUBLIC WORKS PROGRESS REPORT - STREETS - Daily property & grounds maintenance of all village owned properties, including, Commerce Way, Wyoming St vault, Mt. View Ave pump house, Dueschen's Pond storage tank, Central Garage, Bldg. #2, mow/trim gateway signs, collected bagged grass & leaves daily as scheduled, empty trash cans on Main and W. Buffalo streets as needed, continue prepping streets to be resurfaced, working on catch basins, frames and grates, installed riser on manholes as needed prior to paving, removed furniture discarded in West parking lot, assisted tree contractor with removals on Wednesday, September 15th, contractor will return to continue needed tree work in a few weeks, swept village streets as needed after rain events, cut/trimmed bushes on all four corners at monument, repaired rear wheel bearings on PD car, and serviced Case backhoe. VILLAGE PARK - Daily grounds maintenance, mowing, trimming, emptying trash cans & check all buildings for issues daily, clean, prepare Legion Hall as needed prior to rentals, clean Picnic Pavilion daily, pressured washed pavilion, continue crack filling tennis courts as time and weather allows, remove fallen oak nuts from tennis court daily, cleaned drainage ditches, replacing cracked window in women's room at maintenance building, making repairs to picnic tables as needed, replaced broken floor tiles in Legion Hall, and service lawn mower. WATER DISTRIBUTION - Daily distribution checks as required, daily stake outs as requested, daily samples of North Water Dist. as required, finals read as requested, read water meters in Books A&B for billing, installed new water service to 40 Roberts St., disconnected/abandoned water service on State St., and witnessed new water service installation to 54 Butternut St. WATER TREATMENT PLANT - Daily tests were performed, and results recorded, generator ran successfully, under load, we currently draw water from Reservoir feed, water drawn from Reservoir from 9/13-9/16, water intake screen is cleaned off as necessary, perform routine housekeeping, maintenance, and yard work, restained chlorine room floor brown, front lagoon sampled and decanted on September 13th, started conducting required lead and copper sampling from (20) village households, resident will fill supplied sample bottle and then we submit to lab, and four empty muriatic acid drums were returned to Amrex Chemical for the deposit. Muriatic acid is utilized during(village pool operation) to control water(pH) within limits, Amrex picked up drums when delivering new order at Water Plant for chlorine gas and fluoride. WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT - Rinsing, hosing, draining tanks, checking sludge blanket, reading lift stations/generator, test CO2, PH, DO, Alkalinity and Acidity ratio test, reading digester temperature as needed, draining drip traps, greasing, testing and sampling as required, clean arms on bio-towers, cleaning electrode on Pista-Grit, WYCO dumped 24,000 gallons, pour 6,000 gallons in bed #5, finish cleaning bed #1 and start cleaning end of bed #2, and high-water alarms on 9/13 and 9/14. GENERAL INFORMATION – Capital project is moving along. Electrical contractor on site now. Still some issues with supplies and materials not being available. Both the dewatering and UV disinfection buildings are enclosed so they can be worked on through the winter.

RESOLUTION #142 of 2021

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP:

Motion made by Trustee Appleton
Seconded by Trustee Gardner

RESOLVED – That the following membership to the Warsaw Fire Department be hereby approved:

Justin Lewandowski – Active EMS only

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #143 of 2021

LEGION HALL USE:

Motion made by Trustee Appleton
Seconded by Trustee LaWall

RESOLVED – That the following requested use of the Legion Hall be hereby approved under conditions of Covid-19 rules and regulations:

Jeremy Swimline-10/8-9/21- Wedding- private w/alcohol
Warsaw Central School-10/28/21-Command Post CC meet-waive fee-heat surcharge applies
Wyo Cty Youth Bureau-10/29/21-Sensory Halloween event-waive fee-heat surcharge applies
Lisa Snider – 7/10/22 – Graduation party – private
Pavilion
Jessica Bodine – 9/26/21 – Birthday party - private
Park Use
Partners for Prevention – 10/11/21(10/30/21 raindate)-Kickball tourney-private-waive fee

CARRIED

TREASURER – Proof of collateral for the month of August 2021 was submitted and ordered filed.

MEETINGS:

Fire Committee – Mon 9/27 – 6:00 pm – Fire Hall
Police Committee – Mon 10/18 – 6:45 pm – Fire Hall

MEETINGS - Trustee Gardner asked to be excused from the October 18, 2021 meeting.

RESOLUTION #144 of 2021

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS:

Motion made by Trustee Gardner
Seconded by Trustee LaWall

RESOLVED – That the following requested budget appropriations be hereby approved:

Water Dist NYRWA water operator cert. course-J Ferrin(F8340.400) \$135.00

CARRIED

VILLAGE OFFICE – The yearly office cleaning contract with Warren’s Commercial Cleaning Inc. is up for renewal. There is a small increase of \$1.50/week bringing it to \$33.00/week.

RESOLUTION #145 of 2021

VILLAGE OFFICE: Cleaning Services

Motion made by Trustee Appleton
Seconded by Trustee Wagner

RESOLVED – That contract from Warren’s Commercial Cleaning Inc. for cleaning service fee of \$33.00 one-time weekly be hereby approved.

CARRIED

LOSAP – Damian Ulatowski from Affordable Benefit Concepts reached out and requested a working session with members of the board and the fire department. Clerk Allen will see if he is available Monday, September 27th at 6:45 pm after fire committee to meet with him.

RESOLUTION #146 of 2021

AUDIT AND PAY BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee LaWall
Seconded by Trustee Appleton

RESOLVED – That the bills be allowed as read; that checks in the payment thereof be issued, that Mayor Robinson be and hereby is authorized to sign General Abstract #8 in the amount of \$43,404.71, Water Abstract #8 in the amount of \$4,407.70, and Sewer Abstract #8 in the amount of \$4,052.55.

CARRIED

Moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

Lisa A. Allen, Clerk