**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**MEETING (VIRTUAL)**

**FEBRUARY 16, 2021**

Mayor Michael VandeVelde presiding

MEMBERS: Robert Cochran, Al Holbrook, Mike Catalano, Dennis Lutes

OTHERS: Vincent Luce, Becki Paternosh, Rob Genthner, Andrew Thompson, Andrew Webster, Chris Reese, Jane Nicholson (MRB group),

Jerry LaPorte

**MAYOR/BOARD**

PUBLIC HEARING CDBG COMMUNITY PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE

2020-2021 PROGRAM YEAR

The Mayor opened the hearing and will leave it open for any comments or questions.

MINUTES

The board made a motion by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Catalano and was carried unanimously to approve the minutes of January 19th, and February 2nd.

REQUEST EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS UNION CONTRACT

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

MONTHLY REPORT

**Chief Robert Genthner read the Police Report for January which the board approved on a motion made by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously.**

VACATION TIME

The Chief inquired from the board if more than the 10-day carryover could be requested to which they agreed there would be no problem with him doing that.

POLICE/COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

A Draft Plan was submitted to the Committee in anticipation of the final presentation to the public.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

MONTHLY REPORT

**Chief Chris Reese gave the Fire Department monthly report for January which was approved on a motion to approve by Trustee Catalano, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously.**

DECLARE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

**The board made a motion by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously to declare the following items as surplus off miscellaneous #291:**

Two old plug ceiling lights

Two old black helmets

Red lights that came off the truck

Three fire police radio chargers from the old radios

Two old hand lights

Three safety ropes on reels

Two of the old SCBA holders

TRUCK #291

The Chief reported there were more damages received from a couple months ago for Truck #291 than was first thought and are awaiting the quote from Colden and assuming it will have to be turned in to the insurance.

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**Andrew Webster gave the Recreation Department program report, which was approved by Trustee Catalano, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously.**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

**The Code Enforcement Report from January was approved on a motion made by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Ed noted there are no updates on any projects and they are just getting prepared for summer and spring.

**WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Andrew reported no updates either. Progress as usual with no problems.

REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY DECLARATION

**The board made a motion to approve an emergency declaration for the sludge thickener repairs by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Lutes, with Trustee Catalano abstaining, the motion was carried.**

**ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT**

Two new employees began working in the Electric Department.

PERMISSION TO PURCHASE UTILITY POLES

**The board made a motion by Trustee Lutes, seconded by Trustee Catalano and was carried unanimously to approve for the purchase of 37 poles of various sizes from Stella Jones for a total price of $14,247.10.**

**TREASURER**

APPROVAL OF REVENUE & EXPENSE REPORTS

**The board made a motion by Trustee Holbrook, seconded by Trustee Catalano and was carried unanimously to approve the financial reports.**

The Treasurer reminded the board members that in March the budget meetings will begin each Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

**CLERK**

WARRANTS

**The following** **warrants were approved on a motion made by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously:**

**Capital Proj W#18 $ 122.00**

**Electric W#39 185,050.82**

**General W#40 33,363.63**

**Electric W#40 9,950.00**

**Sewer W#42 5,181.63**

**Water W#40 9,878.72**

**Electric W#43 3,000.00**

**Sewer W#44 34,196.45**

**General W#42 39,706.83**

**Captl Proj WPCF W#19 7,101.88**

**Water W#43 12,915.00**

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

There being no comments from the public, the Mayor closed the CDBG Community Planning for the 2020-2021 Program Year Public Hearing.

Jane Nicholson from MRB group stated she was excited to be working with the community and writing the grant and that they were going to make it competitive.

FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION

Trustee Cochran commended the Chief and Fire Department for all their long and difficult hours of work at the recent house fires during this freezing cold period of time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**The board made a motion by Trustee Cochran, seconded by Trustee Holbrook and was carried unanimously to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Union Contract.**

**Following the Executive Session, the motion was made to end the session and return to regular session by Trustee Holbrook, seconded by Trustee Catalano, and was carried unanimously.**

ACTION:

UNION CONTRACT

**The board agreed to honor the wage proposal that was originally voted down by the Electric Department in 2020.**

**There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was ended on a motion made by Trustee Holbrook, seconded by Trustee Lutes and was carried unanimously.**