VILLAGE OF WOLCOTT

VILLAGE HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 9, 2021

7:00 pm

Members Present: Mayor Chris Henner, Trustees: Dan Smith, Andrew Marshall, Dave Lewis and Norma Stewart

Others Present: Fran Acker, Brett Norsworthy, Rob Dwello and Ron Lancy

Mayor Henner called the Meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Dan Smith made the motion to approve the budget for FY 2021-2022 reviewed during the budget hearing. Trustee Stewart 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Executive Session**

Trustee Smith made the motion to move the meeting into executive session to discuss a personnel issue at 7:01 pm. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

Trustee Marshall made the motion to move the meeting back to open session at 7:46pm. Trustee Lewis 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Highway Department**

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve rental of a Street Sweeper from J&J rental from May 3-May 10, 2021 in the amount of $2,800.00. Trustee Lewis 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Court Audit**

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve the January 2021 Monthly court Audit/reconciliation. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Village Clerk-Treasurer**

The Village received a refund from Galls for an overpayment in the amount of $164.97 made by former Clerk Tyler in Feb. 2017. Also, a refund in the amount of $74.00 was received from Eastern Shore Associates for an annual adjustment to the Fire Department policy.

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve Clerk-treasurer Acker signing a follow up letter composed by Computel, “Request for hearing on Deficient Utility Tax Filings” to Jeffrey A. Rosenbloom, Esq. Re: NYSEG and RG&E past due GRT. Trustee Stewart 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor. This will be emailed and mailed to Mr. Rosenbloom, cc: Mike Caton at Computel.

**Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve and accept the meeting minutes from February 23, 2021. Trustee Lewis 2nd the motion. All Present voted in favor.

**Abstract #010**

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve Abstract #010 in the amount of $107,312.97 with vouchers numbered 463-522 and checks numbered 30459-30518. Total claims from the General Fund are $48,713.26. Total claims from the Water Fund are $18,470.16. Total claims from the Sewer Fund are $40,129.55. Trustee Stewart seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Facilities Use Request**

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve the facility use request for the Northup Park Bandstand March 28-31, 2021 for Wolcott Council of Churches for Holy Week Revival Services. Trustee Stewart 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Mayor Henner**

EO 203, NY State Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative Update: The survey timed out on February 26, 2021. 7 people participated in the survey. Theresa Wilson from Olio Consulting will submit the plan to be posted on the Village Website for community input. This will be ready for the next Village Board Meeting, then submission to the state by April 1st, 2021.

Brett Ferber’s tonneau cover on his personal truck got burnt at a fire on Dutch Street Road. The cost is approx. $300.00. The Village will be covering the cost of repairs. This is under the Mayor’s approval amount. Chief Lasher will forward information to Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Norsworthy to order.

With Pit Stop hours being irregular and their diesel gas pumps intermittently out of order, Mayor Henner suggested to Nick Rizzo he should reach out to E&V to get a tank for the highway barn for fueling village vehicles. Mr. Rizzo is working with E&V for pricing and quantity options.

**Trustee Stewart**

Nothing at this time.

**Trustee Marshall**

Nothing at this time.

**Trustee Smith**

Trustee Smith asked if we had any update on the meter grant we applied for. No response as of yet.

**Trustee Lewis**

Nothing at this time.

**Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Norsworthy**

Mr. Norsworthy made the board aware of account #13600 who had a water leak which led to a large water bill in the amount of $1,928.00. Mr. Norsworthy explained the history of this account. The board agreed that the Village has some ownership in the chain of events and Brett is to split the bill in half and allow the customer to pay over 3 quarters. Deputy Clerk Norsworthy will contact the customer tomorrow (Wednesday 3/10/21) with the agreement. Also, a new meter is to be installed.

A new DVR system has been ordered for the police department. The vendor will be coming Wednesday March 10, 2021 to install.

**Executive Session**

Trustee Smith made the motion to move the meeting into executive session to discuss personnel and contractual issues at 8:41 pm. Trustee Stewart seconded the motion. All present voted in favor. Clerk-Treasurer Acker was asked to stay.

Trustee Smith made the motion to move the meeting back to open session at 9:56pm. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve Pace Analytical invoice #217090371 in the amount of $1,079.00. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

A certified letter is to be mailed to the owner of 6184 Lake Ave. fining them $100.00 a day retro back to Dec. 1st, 2020 for functioning without an operating permit which is in violation of Village of Wolcott Local Law # 2-2019 “Abatement of Chronic Nuisance Properties”. The letter is to include a reminder the operating permit was revoked in mid-November 2020.

Trustee Smith made the motion to offer the Full Time Police Officer position to Robert Dwello at the rate of $16.82/hr. The Village will pay Mr. Dwello’s portion of health insurance. Overtime will be transferred over to comp. time with a maximum of 40 hours of comp time accumulated allowed before it must be used. This is contingent on drug and fingerprint/background screening. Normal 6 month probation period, civil service, and Village union guidelines. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Marshall made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:02pm. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

The next regularly scheduled Village Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on March 23, 2021 at 7:00pm in the Village Hall Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fran Acker

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Clerk-Treasurer