VILLAGE OF WOLCOTT

Held Via Zoom

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 26, 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, Nick Rizzo and Ed Wazinski

Mayor Henner called the Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Fire Department-Jerry Lasher-absent**

Mayor Henner announced that it appears Anthony Vezzose has resigned from the Fire Department. He has turned in his keys and gear but has not returned any phone calls to the Mayor. There is currently an opening for an Assistant Chief.

**Police Department**

All Police Reform and Reinvent needs to be to Albany by April 1st 2021 or municipalities who fail to do so will not be on the tax base for the state budget. Mayor Henner has been in contact with Theresa Wilson from OLIO Consulting, who has worked with several municipalities on the reform project. Trustee Smith made the motion to approve Theresa Wilson to manage the Police Reform and Reinvent Project for the Village of Wolcott with an amount not to exceed $6,000. Trustee Stewart 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Highway Department-Nick Rizzo**

Nick Rizzo stated all was going well. Trustee Norma Stewart told Mr. Rizzo thank you for jobs well done.

**Sewer Department-Tommy Mettler-Excused**

**Water Department-Ed Wazinski**

Ed Wazinski stated all is going smooth. He submitted a W2O Water School application for Greg Kerschner. The dates are Monday-Friday, March 8-18, 2021. Cost of the course is $1,000.00 which includes text books, class materials and refreshments. Trustee Smith made the motion to approve the water school for Greg Kerschner plus reimbursement for related expenses per OSC and Village policy. Trustee Lewis 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Mayor Henner had a conversation with Kendall Larson from the DOH after his visit with the Water Department. Mr. Larson provided Mr. Wazinski with information on updating the Chlorine system. Ed will submit this information to Trustee Smith.

**Code Enforcement-Otis Vezzose-Absent**

**Court Audit**

Trustee Smith made the motion to approve the November 2020 Monthly court Audit/reconciliation. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Village Clerk-Treasurer**

The 1st budget workshop for the FY 21-22 is scheduled for Monday February 1, 2021 at 6:00pm in the Village of Wolcott Conference Room.

**Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Smith made the motion to accept and approve the Zoom meeting minutes from January 12, 2021. Trustee Lewis 2nd the motion. All Present voted in favor.

**Trevett Cristo Pre-Payments**

Trustee Stewart made the motion to approve pre-payment of invoice #71263 for the balance of $1,249.74. Trustee Smith 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

Trustee Stewart made the motion to approve pre-payment of invoice #73373 for the amount of $384.00. Trustee Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor.

**Mayor Henner**

The Mayor commented that OIC Powell has not worked since his last arrest, 12/30/2020.

As mentioned earlier in the meeting, Mayor Henner had a conversation with Kendall at the DOH. More on that process to follow up.

There was a call today from the Wolcott Estates due to no hot water since January 5th, 2021. Otis Vezzose has reached out to the owners and is working on a resolution.

**Trustee Stewart**

Trustee Stewart reminded the board that the comprehensive plan needs to be approved.

She has been working on a project for CDBG consideration. She and Clerk-Treasurer Acker sat in on a webinar regarding the CDBG grant process. Trustee Stewart reached out with a proposal regarding the former Galaxy Street property, and received a response that it does meet the objective compliance but not a high priority. The project is possibility for future funding.

Trustee Stewart would like to have something done with the bandstand in Northup Park.

**Trustee Marshall**

Nothing at this time.

**Trustee Smith**

Nothing at this time.

**Trustee Lewis**

More issues with the “water” car. Unable to duplicate the “no start” complaint. Mechanic has been driving it every day.

**Other Items**

Nick Rizzo reminded the board that he has a Dig Safely Course coming up in February 2021.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Smith made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

The next regularly scheduled Village Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on February 9, 2021 at 7:00pm in the Village of Wolcott Conference Room unless COVID restrictions are still in place.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fran Acker

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Clerk-Treasurer