

VILLAGE OF FREEVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Village of Freeville Board of Trustees was held on January 7, 2020, at the Village Hall.

Call to Order: Mayor Fogel called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm

Present: Mayor David Fogel, Trustees: Miles McCarty, Diana Radford, Jason Cuykendall, Lotte Carpenter, Clerk-Treasurer: Heather Murray, Superintendent of Public Works Patrick Brennan, W.B. Strong Fire Company Chief Michael Parker, Deputy Fire Chief Gregory Parker

Privilege of the Floor: Newly elected Fire Chief Michael Parker discussed several matters regarding the Freeville Fire Department. Chief Parker stated that the roof is leaking and is in need of major repairs. Chief Parker also discussed maintenance issues in regards to the radio systems used by the Fire Department. Previously, Tompkins County provided maintenance of the radio systems—the County announced that they are no longer providing this support. The Fire Department is looking for sponsors from local businesses to help offset the future costs associated with replacing the aging radio systems. Discussion was also held regarding the successful new member drive.

Minutes: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve both the November 5, 2019 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes, and the December 3, 2019 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Public Works: Discussion was held regarding a pumping issue on Cook Street, as well as the associated costs. Discussion was also held regarding the \$24,900 Engineering Planning Grant received from the EFC, and the effect of sump pumps on the sewer system. Trustee Radford motioned to approve the Public Works Report. Trustee McCarty seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Trustee McCarty seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Code Enforcement: Discussion was held regarding whether there is a 4th apartment at 34 Main Street. The Code Enforcement Officer has inspected the property and confirmed that there are only three apartments. Trustee McCarty motioned to approve the Code Enforcement report. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Planning Board: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the September 17, 2019 Public Hearing and Planning Board Minutes. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Justice Report: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the November Justice Report. Seconded by Trustee Radford. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Clerk's Report: Trustee McCarty motioned to approve the Clerk's Report. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Vouchers: Trustee Radford motioned to approve abstract #0120. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Old Business:

LED Street Light Replacement: Trustee McCarty stated that there is nothing to report.

School Zone Speed Limit Increase: Trustee McCarty has been in contact with the NYS DOT regarding raising the speed limit in the School Zone on Main Street from 15mph to 20mph. Anthony Seale from the DOT emailed stating that the signs will be changed in the spring; the timing of this change depends on the weather.

Summer Recreation Program: The Town of Dryden has agreed to take over administration of the Summer Recreation Program beginning in the summer of 2020. Marty Conger (from the Town) will be meeting with Incoming Clerk-Treasurer Heather Murray and Outgoing Clerk-Treasurer Virginia Mott during the upcoming week to discuss the details of the transfer.

Village of Freeville Procurement Policy: Clerk-Treasurer Murray will continue researching NYS requirements regarding procurement policies, and will provide recommendations before the annual meeting.

New Business:

Fire Department: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the following new members of the Freeville Fire Department:

Chief	Michael Parker
Deputy Chief	Gregory Parker
Assistant Chief	Nelson Mead
Captain Fire	David Johnson
Lt. Fire	Nancy Chapman
Captain Fire Police	Howard Claflin

Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Allowable Levy Growth Factor for Local Governments: Discussion was held regarding the notice about the allowable levy growth factor from the NYS Comptroller's Office. The allowable levy growth factor for local governments with fiscal years beginning on June 1, 2020 has decreased to 1.78%.

Resolution - No Village Registration Day: Trustee Cuykendall made a motion to adopt a resolution abolishing the village registration day. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Resolution - Polling Place for Village Elections: Trustee Cuykendall made a motion to adopt a resolution designating Wednesday March 18, 2020 as the day of the Village elections. Elections will be held in the Village Court Chamber at 5 Factory Street, Freeville, NY. The polls will be open from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Budget Workshops: The budget work sessions will be:

- 1st - March 10th, 2020
- 2nd - March 17th, 2020
- 3rd - March 24th, 2020 if needed

Public Hearing for Local Law 1: The Public hearing will be held February 4th, 2020 at 7:15 p.m.

Budget Modifications: Trustee McCarty made a motion to accept the following budget modifications:

FY 2019-2020 General Fund Budget Modifications

Account	From	To	Difference
A2362 Tomp Co. Park Grant	\$5,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$15,000.00 ↑
A7110.46 Pocket Park	\$10,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$15,000.00 ↑
A3501 CHIPS	\$15,000.00	\$21,361.45	\$6,361.45 ↑
A5112.41 CHIPS	\$15,000.00	\$21,361.45	\$6,361.45 ↑

Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Expenditure Subject to Permissive Referendum: Trustee Cuykendall made a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$30,293 from the General Truck Equipment Reserve Fund — A233 and the expenditure of \$16,311.70 from the Sewer Truck Equipment Reserve Fund — G231 for the net cost of the purchase of a 2019 Chevrolet Dump Truck and plow package, and it is further RESOLVED; this resolution is adopted subject to Permissive Referendum as required by law. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Town of Dryden Amendment to Zoning Law: Trustee McCarty made a motion to Receive and File the Town of Dryden Amendment to Zoning Law §§900, 909, & 701 per General Municipal Law □ 239. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Comprehensive Plan: Discussion was held regarding updating the Village’s Comprehensive Plan.

Executive Session: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to enter into Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. for personnel matters. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed. Trustee McCarty motioned to leave executive session at 9:20 p.m. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye.

Trustee Cuykendall motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee McCarty seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Murray
Village Clerk-Treasurer