

**VILLAGE OF COHOCTON  
MONTHLY MEETING  
October 19, 2016**

The monthly meeting of the Cohocton Village Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, October 19, 2016, at 7:00 pm, in the Village Office, 17 South Main Street, Cohocton.

Present were: Mayor Thomas Cox. Trustees: Sandra Azzi, Janice Sahrle and Wendell Freelove. Trustee Kathryn Gray arrived at 7:02.

Also present were: Village Clerk-Treasurer Katherine Wise, Village Attorney Patrick McAllister, Mike Gilman Jr., Code Enforcement Officer Chuck Cagle, Town Councilman Ron Towner, Town Councilman Dave Simolo, Walt Feely and RJ Curry.

Mayor Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Walt Feely led the pledge to the flag.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Trustee Sahrle, seconded by Trustee Freelove, to approve the September 21, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

**Reports**

Code Enforcement Officer Cagle discussed the fire department's new sign, since it is owned by the Village, the sign is exempt via section 421 of the zoning law. The Board also discussed the new law regarding "zombie properties."

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Azzi, to enforce the New York State law allowing no unregistered vehicles on property. The motion carried 4-1, with Kathryn Gray voting nay.

Walt Feely showed the Board the 'thank you' cards the fire department received from the kindergarten class for their visit to the fire hall during fire prevention week. Mayor Cox thanked the fire department for a job well done. Trustee Azzi commented on how great the firemen looked in the parade and how proud she was of them.

Mike Gilman Jr., stated the fire department met their goal for their fundraiser. This year was the most successful. They also requested that the Board allow them to advertise the sale of E-16 now, but not being available in the summer of 2017.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Sahrle, to allow the fire department to begin advertising the sale of E-16 with an availability date of summer 2017 and possible negotiations on the availability date. The motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Sahrle to accept the reports as presented, to accept the two applications for membership into the fire department auxiliary, to accept Walter Feely's appointment as 3<sup>rd</sup> assistant fire chief, and to allow the Mayor to sign the building permit application for the electric sign at the fire hall. The motion carried 5-0.

**Correspondence**

A letter was received from Nancy Levesque requesting use of the Village Office for the ambulance commissioner election.

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Azzi allowing the use of the Village Office for the ambulance commissioner election to be held on December 16, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The motion carried 5-0.

A letter was received from Marjorie Wehner requesting an adjustment to her water bill due to a leak.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Freelove to adjust the water bill for account # 0281 to \$734, which is half the original bill, and to allow her to make payments until the next billing in April and to waive the late penalty if she makes the payments on time. The motion carried 4-1, with Trustee Gray voting Nay.

### **Public Comment**

Town Councilman Dave Simolo stated that the Town increased the Town and Village fire contract to \$67,000.

### **Audit**

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Gray, authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to pay the abstracts as audited:

General Fund:	Vouchers 82-100 totaling \$7569.64
Water Fund:	Voucher 24-32 totaling \$3253.01

The motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Gray to approve the September 2016 books. The motion carried 5-0.

### **Old Business**

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Azzi to change the Village's health insurance plan to Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield Simply Blue plus Platinum 3. The motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Freelove and Trustee Sahrle reviewed the water rules and regulations and clarified that the Village and homeowner are to split the cost of the pit meter, not installation cost.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Board Concerns**

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Sahrle to allow the Mayor to sign the WLB accounting software contract. The motion carried 5-0.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Gray, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.