

## REGULAR MEETING

**MARCH 2, 2023**

The Board of Trustees held the Regular Meeting on March 2, 2023 at the Village Municipal Building, 167 North Main Street, Liberty New York. Mayor Joan Stoddard opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Joan Stoddard, Trustee Ernest Feasel, Trustee Eveleese Lake and Trustee Joe Aracci. Also Present: Gary Silver, Attorney for the Village and Judy Zurawski, Clerk/Treasurer.

**ABSENT:** Deputy Mayor/Trustee Robert Mir

**ALSO PRESENT:** Police Chief Steven D'Agata, Motty Heimlich and Abraham Weberman

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Trustee Feasel, seconded by Trustee Lake and unanimously carried approving the following minutes:

### PUBLIC HEARING - FEBRUARY 16, 2023

Motion by Trustee Feasel, seconded by Trustee Lake and unanimously carried approving the following minutes:

### REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 16, 2023

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mayor Stoddard said the Village has received the following correspondence.

- ❖ Letter from SC Partnership Re: Breakfast Seminar 2.16.2023
- ❖ Newsletter from the County – Inside Insights March/April 2023

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were no comments from the Public.

**ATTORNEY COMMENTS:** Attorney Silver said his comments are all on agenda items.

**TREAS. REPORT:** Treasurer Zurawski discussed the new upgraded computer that will be needed for the Tax Program.

**TABLED BUSINESS:** **DISCUSS VILLAGE CODE 87-26**

Attorney Silver discussed the repeal of Village Code Section 87-26. He suggested that the Board remove the whole section regarding mobile home parks.

He said he would draw up the local law for the Board to review and the Public Hearing could be set at the next Board Meeting.

### **CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS ON TEXTMYGOV**

Mayor Stoddard said she would talk to the Town of Fallsburg about Code Red, which is the system they use and report back to the Board.

### **UPDATE ON SULLIVAN 180 GRANT**

Trustee Feasel said he and Trustee Aracci had worked with Kathy Johansen on the Student Artwork portion of the grant and that MRRB Designs was excited to help with this project offering a discounted price to produce the artwork for the store fronts.

Trustee Feasel said he would get with Judy Zurawski next week and work on the flower portion of the grant.

### **NEW BUSINESS: CONSIDER PRIVATE SALE OF 121-2-7.2**

The County approached the Village regarding this parcel and said that it had been bid on at the auction, however the successful bidder did not finalize the sale and ended up forfeiting his down payment. At this point he is interested in finalizing the purchase. Since the parcel is Village owned it is up to the Village to decide whether or not to privately sell the parcel.

Attorney Silver explained to the Board they would have to establish a value. If they are interested they may want to ask Mr. Patel if he is willing to pay for an appraiser and move forward in that manner.

### **DISCUSS STREET LIGHTING PROBLEMS**

This item is tabled until the next meeting (March 16<sup>th</sup>) so that Police Officer Vogler can attend the meeting to discuss the issues around the Village.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mayor Stoddard opened the meeting to comments from the Public.

There were no comments from the Public.

### **TRUSTEE COMMENTS:** Mayor Stoddard opened the meeting to comments from the Board.

Trustee Lake – No Comment

Mayor Stoddard said she had some matters from Executive Session.

Mayor Stoddard asked Trustee Aracci to spend some time with the Code Enforcement Officer previewing a computer program that he has an interest in.

Trustee Aracci – No Comment

Trustee Feasel – No Comment

**APPROVAL POST AUDIT VOUCHERS  
OF BILLS**

**FOR PYMT:** Motion by Trustee Lake, seconded by Trustee Aracci and unanimously carried approving Post Audit Voucher #2833 to Voucher #2846 in the amount of \$852,971.84.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Trustee Aracci, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss personnel matters in the DPW, Water and Code Enforcement Office.

Code Enforcement Officer Dan Pollen was invited into the Executive Session.

Motion by Trustee Lake, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session at 8:13 p.m.

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Trustee Aracci, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:13 P.M.**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

**JUDY H. ZURAWSKI  
CLERK-TREASURER**



