

**REGULAR MEETING**

**August 12, 2021**

The Board of Trustees held the Regular Meeting of August 12, 2021 at the Village Municipal Building, 167 North Main Street, Liberty New York. Deputy Mayor Joan Stoddard opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor/Trustee Joan Stoddard, Trustee Robert Mir and Trustee Ernest Feasel Also Present: Attorney for the Village, Gary Silver and Judy Zurawski, Clerk/Treasurer.

**ABSENT:** Mayor Ronald Stabak and Trustee Daniel Wright

**ALSO PRESENT:** Police Chief Steven D’Agata, David Ohman and Elizabeth Montag

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

**PUBLIC HEARING – JULY 15, 2021 – AMEND CHAPTER 87-4**

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

**PUBLIC HEARING – JULY 15, 2021 – CDBG**

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

**REGULAR MEETING – JULY 15, 2021**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Deputy Mayor Stoddard said the following correspondence has been received and anyone can request copies.

- ❖ E-Mail from ARPA Re: Recovery Funds 7.23.21
- ❖ Letter from We Care Re: Logs 7.30.21
- ❖ E-Mail from Owen McKane Re: Attorney 08.06.21

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Deputy Mayor Stoddard opened the meeting to comments from the Public. No comments were made.

**ATTORNEY** Attorney Silver mentioned the issues with the kosher ice cream truck and  
**COMMENTS:**said all other comments will be limited to agenda items

**TREAS. REPORT:** Treasurer Zurawski's written report was as follows:

- ❖ List of Current Taxes and collections thru 07/31/2021 of which there is \$781,723.24 outstanding. The current taxes are 81% collected.
- ❖ List of Delinquent Taxes, which as of 07/31/21 is \$515,089.36 not collected.
- ❖ Starting and Ending Central Check Numbers for July 2021
- ❖ Starting July Central Check #16675
- ❖ Financial comparison of General, Water, Sewer and Sanitation

### Flower Fund

Treasurer Zurawski said flower fund donation flyers have been mailed and \$2,000 has been collected

### DASNY Grant

Treasurer Zurawski discussed DASNY Grant #9119 which was approved for \$50,000 to be used to pay the DEC Cleanup bill once it is received. Grant Administration at DASNY suggested that since this grant has been unused for several years the Village may want to go back to their sponsor and request a new project so the funds can be disbursed.

Village Engineer Dave Ohman suggested that the money be combined with Project #11665, which is for the electrical upgrade at Elm Street well. He said with the additional funding the project could be completed.

The Board was in agreement with the change.

## **TABLED BUSINESS: UPDATE ON ENGINEERING PROJECTS - D. OHMAN/DELAWARE ENGINEERING:**

David Ohman of Delaware Engineering reported on the following:

### 1. WWTP Upgrade

- Tonight's meeting:
  - No Action required at tonight's meeting or in the near future by the Board
  - Update/Review of Project Progress
    - Proceeding with design of base contract with no sludge processing elements included.

- The new electrical building and a new mechanical screen (upstream of the fine screen building) has been added
- An allowance will be added to fix up the existing belt press
- The new belt press is included in the Phase 2 budget but has been added as a Bid Alternate to Phase 1 and can be considered by the Board at bidding
  - The cost for the new press will likely exceed the current budget but having a bid number will allow for the Village to understand a current cost and consider options
  - Options:
    - If it can be accomplished within the current budget – proceed
    - If cost exceeds budget, review eligibility for financing with EFC and consider modifying PFA and EFC to include this work and increase bond resolution if needed
    - Continue to keep in Phase 2
  - Going with a Phase 1 (base contract) and Phase 2 (sludge) contract will allow some work to proceed while Village applies for more grant funding
- For the Base project - Phase 1:
  - Revised and resubmitted the approved Engineering Report (with tracked changes) on October 30, 2020 to remove sludge related work as possible to allow other work to proceed.
  - No Comments back from NYSEFC yet
  - On February 24, 2021 call NYSEFC said they would complete review of the ER amendment with plans and specs submission
  - Ultimately revising the Project Finance Agreement
  - Design (plans and specs) and Revised Engineering Report submitted for NYSEFC review on May 24, 2021 and to NYSDEC on May 26, 2021
  - Village received NYSEFC design review comments (via email) on the Plans, Specifications and Engineering Report Amendment on July 26.
  - Lists items, additional information, and clarification required before the Design (plans and specs) and Preliminary Engineering Report Amendment PER can be approved.
  - We will generate a response letter that addresses these items, and provide the information required to approve the Design (plans and specs) and Preliminary Engineering Report Amendment.
  - Excerpt from the Revised Anticipated Project Schedule:

- For the Enhanced Sludge project - Phase 2
  - The State WIIA Grant Funding program is anticipated to be returning this year!!! Time line not yet defined.
  - Village agreed at the March 4, 2021 meeting to stop any further work on Phase 2 pending the opportunity for more grant funds – we will remain on hold for the near future
- More history below:
  - On January 6, 2021 the Village received notice that Phase 2 (Sludge Handling) of the Village's WWTP project will not qualify for 0% Hardship financing, as the base project score is below the Hardship Funding Line in the 2021 IUO and is not eligible for a 0% loan
  - Based on the teleconference with EFC on February 25, 2021, we believe that the Village will hold off moving forward with this project at this time and see if other grant opportunities present themselves this year. NYSEFC has advised the Village that this project will remain eligible for additional interest free financing (30 – year 0% loan), but no additional grant, under the Phase 2 project for the foreseeable future.
  - The path forward for this project will be determined based on availability of grant funding in late 2021. An engineering report has been prepared. The CWSRF intended use plan listing will be updated in the near future and submitted to NYSEFC.
  - Revised Anticipated Project Schedule attached, except below

**Other Background/History Information:**

- Put in a new Project Listing (PLUS) in April 2020 for \$8.2M – update in 2021 once the form update is requested by EFC.
- Completed the SEQR again for the entire project – determination completed at August 20, 2020 Board Meeting
- Did new Bond Resolution for the Phase 2 project – done at September 3, 2020 meeting, Notice of Estoppel appeared on November 20, 2020
- Prepared and submitted new Engineering Report to NYSEFC – DONE submitted NYSEFC on September 18, prior to September 21, 2020 deadline to finalize the IUP and get on annual list for financing.
- Prepare a new Smart Growth Form and submitted to NYSEFC on September 18 – Reviewed with the Village and had the Mayor to sign at the September 17 meeting and submitted to NYSEFC prior to September 21, 2020 deadline to finalize the IUP and get on the annual list for financing.
- NYSDEC released the CWSRF Final Intended Use Plan (IUP) for FFY 2021. The Phase 2 project is listed on the annual list with a budget of \$8.2M, above the Hardship Subsidy Line (56 pts) with a score of 1,049 pts. (this could change once ER submitted in September 2020 is scored).
- Funding Application (CFA program) including the WIIA Grant funding up in the air right now – nothing set for this year.
- On January 6, the Village received notice that Phase 2 (Sludge Handling) of the Village’s WWTP project will not qualify for 0% Hardship financing, as the base project score is below the Hardship Funding Line in the 2021 IUP.
- **Contracts**
  - **WWTP Upgrade Project**

- At the November 5, 2020 meeting the Village Board resolved to authorize the Mayor to endorse the Professional Services Contract Amendment No. 1, to the design through construction contract for the Village WWTP upgrade to be financed through NYSEFC, dated October 28, 2020, associated with revisions to the Original Phase 1 Engineering Report, to initially include and then remove enhanced sludge processing and related work from the original report, in the amount not to exceed \$40,000. Accepted by the Board and forwarded to NYSEFC on November 9, 2020. NYSEFC indicated in early-December 2020 that they would review it.
- Now that a plan forward has been agreed upon (i.e., to proceed with only Phase 1 at this time with no enhanced sludge/new belt press or related work), we should hear something soon and make this eligible for reimbursement.

### **Sludge Handling WWTP Upgrade Project**

- At the October 15, 2020 meeting, the Village Board resolved to authorize the Mayor to endorse the Professional Services Contract for Planning phase work in the amount not to exceed \$24,900. Accepted by the Board and forwarded to NYSEFC on October 21, 2020.
- Based on the February 24, 2021 call with NYSEFC, NYSEFC will not be approving this in the near term as there is no Project Financing Agreement in place and the project will now be on hold.
- When the Village decides to move forward with some or all of Phase 2, Delaware will submit engineering services contract amendment for design through construction services.

## **2. Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) WWTP docket expired**

- Docket will continue to remain in “administrative continuance” while DRBC completes the revised docket based on submitted materials – no action required at this time by the Village.
- We notified DRBC advising them that the Village intends to do Phase 1 work only at this time and see what their plan forward is.
- ER for Phase 1 and Phase 2 were submitted to DRBC on 12/17/20 (to provide accurate details regarding the phased upgrades so DRBC can put info into the docket).
- Phase 1 ER, Plans and Specifications (Vol. 1 and 2) were submitted to DRBC on 7/7/21 (for design review)

### **More History below:**

- Worked with Judy to submit completed Cover Letter, Application, and Applicants Statement – Project Review Fee form and check to: Delaware River Basin Commission, PO Box 7360, 25 Cosey Road, West Trenton,

NJ 08628-0360, electronically submitted with confirmation on 12/8/2020 and delivered hard copy on 12/9/20.

- The Village has received the Notice of Applications Received (NAR) from DRBC, attached. This notice indicates that the project is currently under review by the Commission Staff in consultation with other public agencies. Individuals or organizations having a special interest in this project or information related to the project impacts are incited to submit written comments
- DRBC has recommended that since they have a renewal application in house they hold the current docket in administrative continuance until it can be amended with accurate details regarding the phased upgrades, then we can issue the docket once thereafter including all of the details of the phased upgrades.

### 3. Lily Pond Road Bridge/Waterline

- Based on the June 2, 2021 email with SCDPW's Roman DiCio:  
"Technically the bridge is still scheduled for this year but I am pretty confident it will be one of our first projects next year".
- Next Steps:
- Need to get doing to refine temporary and permanent design concepts with Village prospective contractor with the County
- Confirm ROWs and easements available and/or needed – looks like only property now
- Develop project cost estimated and timeline
- Get design done and forward to NYSDOH for review and to NYSDEC for streambank disturbance permit piggy backing on County's permit

### 4. Water System Emergency Response Plan

- We have not heard anything back from NYSDOH since submitting the documents on June 1, 2021.

More history below:

- Village received the attached Notice of Violation NYSDOH letter requiring an updated ERP be submitted within 45 days of April 26, 2021 (i.e. June 9, 2021)
- We had prepared the ERP back in July 2018 which does not appear to be sent to NYSDOH
- Since that is almost 3 years old, we worked with the Village to update the ERP and Vulnerability Assessment documents and overnight delivery sent to NYSDOH Monticello on June 1, 2021. Delivery confirmed on June 2, 2021
- Two copies of the documents have been given to Judy. One to stay at Village Hall in file storage and one to go to Water Plant.

## 5. Rail Trail Area Culvert Drainage/Blockage

- 2021 CDBG Application
  - Revised the Engineering Report and provided to Mark Blauer who completed the application and uploaded the package before the July 30, 2021 deadline
  - We recommend Village touching base with County Planning and Jackie our RECD rep to push the need for the project
  - More History below:
  - We recommend touching base with County Planning and Jackie our RECD rep to push the need for the project.
  - More history below:
    - Village will pursue almost \$1M in grant funding for the Rail Trail Project.
    - At the February 18, 2021 meeting the Village held a public hearing for the delayed 2020 Application
    - The Engineering Report has been prepared and submitted to Mark Blauer at no cost to the Village – copy to be provided to the Board with the March 2021 meeting handout.
    - The application and engineering report was uploaded on or before the March deadline
- Plan forward:
  - **Delayed 2020 CDBG Application - More Background Information**
  - Submitted full application prior to March 5, 2021
  - Then await the determination of funding from OCR (June – July 2021)
  - More Background/Historic Information on CDBG grant program
  - Last summer, the Village, encouraged by the exit interview held with OCR, conducted the public hearing to get it out of the way
  - On Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> OCR held a webinar about the delayed 2020 CDBG grant application process and announced the opening of the 2021 NYS Community Development Block Grant Program.
  - Applications for Public Infrastructure, Public Facility and Community Planning projects will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on Friday March 5, 2021
  - OCR also announced that hearings held before January 1, 2021 would not count as valid and only hearings conducted in 2021 would be counted.
  - Blauer Associates has worked with Judy to work out timing of the advertisement and hearing relative to the March 5, 2021 deadline for delayed 2020 CDBG grant application and in order to meet the deadline
    - Blauer Associates recommends that the legal notice, with at least 7 days advance notices, should appear on February 2, 2021 for a Public Hearing that was held February 18, 2021



- Approved (or at least draft) minutes of the hearing will need to be provided to Blauer Associates to be included with the 2020 CDBG grant application.
- At the January 28, 2021 meeting, the Village board resolved to:
  - Authorize Blauer Associates to update last year's application and Delaware to update last year's engineering report and submit both documents to OCR for the delayed 2020 CDBG application on or before the March 5, 2021 deadline.
  - Authorize to schedule a hearing, for the delayed 2020 CDBG application to occur at the February 18 Village Board meeting, and authorize the Village Clerk to submit the legal notice to appear in the Tuesday, February 2 edition of the Village's official newspaper.
  - At the February 18 meeting the Village held a public hearing for the delayed 2020 Application.
  - The engineering report has been submitted to Mark Blauer'
  - The application and engineering report will be uploaded on or before the March 5 deadline by Mark Blauer.

## 6. DPW Garage Site Remediation

- **June 2021 sampling report indicated levels similar to March 2021**
- Levels slightly higher than December 2020.
- Next sampling to be conducted in September 2021
- Based on sampling results, still seeing values near garage indicating contamination remains
- Excerpts from Report for June 2021 as follows:

Observations of the laboratory analytical results are below:

- MTBE was not detected in any of the sampled monitoring wells at concentrations greater than the laboratory reporting limits.
- No analyzed VOC's were detected at concentrations greater than the laboratory reporting limit at monitoring wells MW-19, VW-6, VW-7 and VW-8. These monitoring wells are located between the Village Garage and the production well and indicate that VOCs have not reached the production well.
- Total VOC concentrations increased at monitoring well VW- 8 by 3.5 parts per billion (ppb).
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- Six (6) VOC compounds were recorded above the drinking water standard at MW-22A. Monitoring wells MW-22A and MW-22B are located approximately 10 to 15 feet south of the remedial excavations that were performed in November 2016 and approximately 380 feet north of the production water well. When compared to historic

values, the concentrations in these wells have been steadily decreasing.

### Discussion/Recommendations

Quarterly sampling and analysis of select monitoring wells should continue. The next monitoring event is scheduled for September 2021. Should withdrawals from the Village production well increase, a modified groundwater monitoring plan should be developed to ensure that contaminants are not drawn into the production well

- Sent email to NYSDEC and Aztech on February 20, 2019 requesting an update on cost for remediation and an estimate for quarterly sampling work; no response.
- NYSDEC will keep going with quarterly monitoring until all results show compliance with water quality standards for a year or more (no real end in sight).
  - The second quarter June 2019 groundwater monitoring report indicated that there was a contaminant increase in monitoring well VW-8 (212ppb VOCs). The other monitoring wells were within their historic values
  - September 2019 sample results showed levels in VW-8 returned to low/more historic levels.
  - Still seems appropriate to consider getting the sampling to locate the limits of the remaining material sooner than later.
  - In addition, if we want to pump more water out of Elm Street well a more comprehensive sampling plan is needed
  - Aztech cannot perform the additional work as NYSDEC believes it would be a conflict so some other firm will need to do it.
  - We can pursue this if desired by the Village
  - Also, right now it looks like there is more stuff to clean up out there
  - Some plan forward options:
  - Continue with NYSDEC quarterly monitoring and no more cleanup – status quo
  - Continue with NYSDEC quarterly monitoring and ask NYSDEC to advise what else is being contemplated to accomplish more cleanup
  - Develop Village plan to investigate the extent of the remaining contamination
  - One of the above and look at what is needed to enable to pump more water
- At February 2020 meeting, the Village decided to seek DASNY SAM grant assistance for conducting a sampling plan site investigation to better identify remaining contamination under, up gradient and near the DPW garage.
  - Use \$125,000 as a target cost
  - We could work on this if desired by the Village

- **DPW Garage Relocation**
  - If sampling does not show that the contamination is principally under the garage, the most time efficient process to get rid of remaining contamination under the garage would likely be to demolish the garage to provide direct access for cleanup followed by about one year of sampling to confirm it is cleaned up
  - This would require relocation of the DPW garage and associated items (salt storage, etc.) to a new facility – possibly on Willow Lane by the current cold storage and fueling station.
  - We would work with the Village to seek funding to assist with this work if this is the desired plan

## 7. Tiger's Den Monitoring Well Decommissioning

- No new information

## 8. Elm Street Wellfield and Lead and Copper Compliance/Electrical Improvements

- We believe all required items have been forwarded to the DASNY contact for the \$100,000 grant and their move is to get contract paperwork back to the Village.
- More Background/Historic Information
  - DASNY letter dated 12/1/20 and associated paperwork attached that approves the scope change for the \$100,000 to be applied to electrical improvements.
- The paperwork requested to be returned within 30 days was submitted to DASNY on December 24, 2020.
- SEQR
  - At the December 3 meeting the Village Board resolved to declare itself lead agency for Electrical Improvements at the Elm Street Well house.
  - Based on review of the proposal, it has been determined that the project meets the criteria for a Type II Action and no further review would be necessary.
  - At the January 7 meeting the Village adopted a resolution identifying the Elm Street Well Field Electrical Improvements as a Type II Action under SEQR
- Resolution to commitment to provide balance of funds necessary to complete the project
  - At the January 7 meeting the Village adopted a resolution to commit to provide balance of funds necessary to complete the project.
  - We sent certified copies of the resolution to Amanda on 1/27/21
  - Amanda responded that if any additional information is needed she will be in touch

9. NYSDOH Water System Inspection/Cross Connection Control Program

- No Change from last month

10. Lily Pond Filtration Plant NYSDEC Environmental Best Practices Permit

Application

- Based on emails from NYSDEC permit staff, the Village needs to complete SPDES NY-2C application and confirm information provided in the 2017 NY-2A application for the outfall as soon as possible.
- We have been working with Dave Harman to pull this together.

11. Lily Pond Filtration Plant Backwash Discharge DRBC Docket Renewal

- An electronic package of the DRBC Docket Renewal Package was submitted electronically on 8/2/21 and hard copy was delivered on 8/9/21.

More History:

- The Village's DRBC docket is scheduled to expire on 01/31/22 and a complete application, which includes the appropriate project renewal fee, is due at least 12 months in advance of expiration.
- The response package, has been prepared and sent to Judy and Ron on July 9, including
  - Cover letter – will need to put on Village letterhead and Ron will need to sign
  - Complete application (i.e. applicant information, type of discharge, receiving waterbody information, service area facility description, additional information, etc.)
  - Ron will need to sign, and Judy will need to execute the affidavit on Application 7 (.pdf page 7)
  - Applicant's Statement – Application Fee Form, with check payable to the "Delaware River Basin Commission" in the amount of \$541 for the Application Review Fee
- At the July meeting the Village resolved to authorize the Village Clerk to send a check for the Application Review Fee, in the amount of \$541 payable "Delaware River Basin Commission" as required by DRBC for review of the Lily Pond Filtration Plant Backwash Discharge DRBC Docket Renewal package.

**UPDATE ON 157 SOUTH MAIN STREET**

Treasurer Zurawski reported that the property is currently in the County foreclosure which has been stayed by the Governor. If the Governor doesn't renew the foreclosure hold the County's foreclosure will go to the Judge to be signed and the auction will be scheduled for October/November.

**CONSIDER CHANGES TO TAXI ORDINANCE**

The Board stated no consideration will be given to change the taxi ordinance since Sureway Taxi is unwilling to provide their activity logs for review.

The item will be removed from the agenda.

**DISCUSSION OF TAX MAP #109-1-5.1**

The Board said they were not interested in removing the fees.

**CONSIDER CONVERSION OF FLOODLIGHT – NYSEG**

Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried to convert the 1-400W HPS Floodlight on School Street (line 43, Pole 4) to LED.

The unexpired life cost is \$307.40 and the will save approximately \$240 per year.

**CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS ON PAID FAMILY LEAVE**

The Board said a memo will be sent to each employee explaining the paid family leave and the fact that it is completely employee funded. Once the responses are received, if there is interest it will be included in contract negotiations with both unions.

**NEW BUSINESS: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WATER CHEMICAL BIDS FOR 2021-22**

Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving the following bids for the yearly supply of Chemicals for the Water Treatment Facility:

<b>Chlorine Gas 54-105CY</b>	<b>Slack Chemical Co Carthage, NY</b>	<b>\$298.32/Cylinder</b>
<b>Polyalum. Hycloxy (PAC)</b>	<b>Holland Company Adams, MA</b>	<b>\$.278/wet pd</b>
<b>Hydrated Lime</b>	<b>Slack Chmical Co Carthage, NY</b>	<b>15.49 bag 50 lb. bag</b>
<b>Soda Ash</b>	<b>Slack Chemical Co Carthage, NY</b>	<b>18.43/bag 50 lb. bag</b>
<b>Ortho-Poly Phosphate Blend</b>	<b>Carus Corporation Peru, IL</b>	<b>.63/pd</b>

<b>Polymer Powder</b>	<b>Slack Chemical Co. Carthage, NY</b>	<b>\$199.00/Bag 50 lb bag</b>
<b>Sodium Hypo-Chlorite</b>	<b>Slack Chemical Co. Carthage, NY</b>	<b>\$1.894/Gallon 55 Gallon Drum</b>

All bids received were as follows:

The Board noted that the award was made to the **lowest responsible bidder**, as the water department has experienced problems with Amrex Chemicals, including delivery and times of delivery, causing them to run out of product

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CHEMICAL BIDS FOR WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT 2021/2022**

Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving the following bids for a yearly supply of chemicals at the Wastewater Treatment Plant:

Soda Ash	-	Slack Chemical Co. Carthage, NY 13619	18.43/50 lb. bag
Polymer	-	Slack Chemical Co. Austin, TX	\$2.02/lb. 55 pound Bag
Polyaluminum Chloride	-	Holland Company Adams, MA 01220-1199	.183 per wet pd

All bids received were as follows:

**CONSIDER TAXI LICENSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/22**

**RESOL.#** Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously  
**41-2021:** carried approving Resolution #41-2021.

**WHEREAS**, the applications for taxicab licenses (also known as Taxicab permits, such terms being intended to describe the license or permit described as a taxicab permit in the definitions provision in Article 1, Section 75-1 of Chapter 75 of the Village Code), having been submitted by the attached taxi company's pursuant to the Village Code, such as Sections 75-1 75-1.1, and 75-2 of the Village of Liberty Village Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Code provides that the existing taxicab permits expire annually on May 31; and

**WHEREAS**, all permits for taxicab licenses have expired as of June 1, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, seven taxi licenses have been reviewed by the Village of Liberty Police and are now pending before the Village Board; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Liberty hereby issues taxicab permits (also known as a Taxicab license) for the annexed applicants (said taxicab license not to be confused with the taxicab driver's license issued under Article II of Chapter 75 of the Village Code); and be it further

RESOLVED, that for reference purposes, the seven licenses are for:

**Sureway Taxi - 7 Taxi Licenses**

**CONSIDER DEMAND FOR REFUND – 112.-1-6**

**RESOL # 42-2021:** Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving Resolution #42-2021:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Liberty received a **Demand for Refund on 46 Chestnut Street LLC – Tax Map # 112.-1-6** and;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees approves the reduction in assessment and refund as follows:

**2021/22** – Bill will be adjusted to reflect the new assessment (has not been paid yet)

Original Assessment -	\$121,700
New Assessment -	\$ 90,000
Tax Rate -	\$23.23
Originally billed at -	\$2,827.10
Adjusted bill -	\$2,090.70

**2020/21** – Refund of \$729.10

Original Assessment -	\$121,700
New Assessment -	\$ 90,000
Tax Rate -	\$ 23.00

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, in accordance with the Demand for Refund the assessment on tax map #112-1-6 has been reduced to \$90,000.

**CONSIDER EVENT PERMIT – LIBERTY ELKS 10.2.21**

Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving the **Event Permit** for the **Liberty Elks Lodge 1545** to hold an all day raffle (and 5K Event) Event on **Saturday, October 2, 2021**.

The raffle event is to earn money for the Elks Lodge.

Trustee Feasel disclosed he is a member of the Liberty Elks Lodge 1545 and is on the House Committee.



**CONSIDER PROPOSAL FROM PESTECH – VEGETATION CONTROL TREATMENTS**

The Board discussed the proposal from Pestech for vegetation control treatments from both sides of Main Street (Liberty Market to Sullivan Avenue) and Chestnut Street from Main Street to the Post Office. The cost would be \$2,772.00.

After discussing the proposal they felt it was too late in season and would relook at it in the spring so it could be done for the summer season.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Deputy Mayor Stoddard opened the meeting to comments from the Public.

No comments were made.

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

Trustee Feasel – No Comment

Trustee Mir mentioned some of the ice cream trucks may be parking back on Carrier on the weekend.

Chief D'Agata said he would check this weekend.

Trustee Stoddard said she attended the 2021 Downtown Revitalization initiative and gave some highlights of the program. She explained there are five regions, with two winners in each region of \$10 million. She said John Liddle is writing it, a Resolution of Support will need to be passed by the board and submission will be in September.

Trustee Stoddard also discussed the issue of sanitation and the different trucks that are being manufactured for garbage pickup.

**APPROVAL POST AUDIT VOUCHERS OF BILLS**

**FOR PYMT:** Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving Post Audit Voucher #1153 to Voucher #1159 in the amount of \$293,967.27

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving Voucher #1160 to Voucher #1235 in the amount of \$318,941.30

**Flower Fund**

Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving the following payment:

**Monticello Greenhouses - \$2,200.00**

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

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:00 P.M.**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

**JUDY H. ZURAWSKI  
CLERK-TREASURER**

