

Board of Trustees
VILLAGE OF MILLERTON
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2015

The regular meeting of the Village of Millerton Board of Trustees was held on Monday, August 17, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Village Hall, 21 Dutchess Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546 with Mayor Marty Markonic presiding. Trustees present: Debra Middlebrook, Christine Bates, David Sherman, and Stephen Waite. Also present: Jennifer Owens – Village Secretary, Ian MacDonald – Attorney, David Rudin – Officer in Charge, and Highway Supervisor – James Milton. Sign in sheet attached.

Engineer

Engineer Ray Jakowski was not present at the meeting but he relayed an update on the sidewalk project to the Village Secretary. His message was that the bid was approved by the Dutchess County Department of Planning. Additionally, the Village should receive proof of bonded insurance from the construction company by August 27th at which time a contract will be signed and a pre-construction meeting will be held. The construction company does not expect starting work until after Labor Day. As soon as he gets the updated construction schedule the engineer will send it to the board.

Library Grant project

Library director Rhiannon Leo Jameson reported that the library board received five bids from engineers for the grant construction project and has decided to go with Morris Associates.

Motion made by board member David Sherman that Morris Associates be lead engineer on the library grant project. Seconded by board member Christine Bates. All five board members approved and the motion was passed.

Public Comment

The parking issue on John Street was discussed. Mayor Markonic and highway supervisor James Milton reported that they would be working on an improving the parking signage and parking lines.

Attorney's Report

- The inter-municipal agreement between Dutchess County, the Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association and the Village was briefly discussed. The board decided to table further discussion of the agreement until an upcoming workshop meeting.
- Follow-up on question from last meeting regarding making changes to the open container law during festivals like Spring for Sound and Fall for Arts, specifically geographic restrictions. His research discovered that changes could be made if the changes show a connection to safety and public welfare.

Reports from Department Heads

- Highway/Water—highway water supervisor James Milton reported that the initial work on Traver Place should be completed within the week and will be ready for paving.
- Police Officer David Rudin reported:
 - Calls in the Town of North East: 9 and Calls in the Village: 142
 - The transmission has been repaired on the 2007 Crown Victoria police cruiser. It was repaired by the shop that offered the lowest price as well as an 18 month warrantee.
 - New recruit, Andrew Schultz, passed his trials and is ready to go into the academy.
- Building and Zoning Department report was distributed to the board. (see attached)
- Recreation report will be distributed at next meeting.

Committee Reports

- Christine Bates reported that she and David Sherman attended the meeting for the ambulance service contract renewal with the Town of Northeast.
- Debra Middlebrook – nothing to report.
- David Sherman reported on the compostable toilette project. He also proposed, for future discussion, either selling or annexing parcels of land owned by the Village, but located in the Town of Northeast.
- Stephen Waite reported on the recruitment of members of the Recreation Commission; he has three (3) possible members that he is talking with.

Abstract 2015-2016: Vouchers # 2016076 to # 2016

General Fund \$23,284.52

Water Fund \$1,609.58

Motion made by Trustee Bates approving to pay Abstract 2015-2016: Vouchers # 2016076 to # 2016108 from the General Fund in the amount of \$23,284.52 and from the Water Fund in the amount of \$1,609.58 except for voucher #'s 2016085, 2016086 and 2016104; seconded by Trustee Waite, all five (5) board members in attendance approved and motion was passed.

Insurance

Trustee Bates and Mayor Markonic, separately, went over the general liability insurance bid options with Paul Zerbato who recommended going with NYMIR. The board discussed the difference between the bids from Selective and NYMIR.

Motion made by Trustee Bates to accept the NYMIR quote for general liability insurance in the amount of \$33,475. Seconded by Trustee Waite all five (5) board members in attendance approved and motion was passed.

Mayor

Mayor Markonic suggested tabling the discussion of Fall for Arts until an upcoming meeting, when representatives from the event organizers would be present.

Adjourn

Motion made by Trustee Sherman to adjourn the meeting @10:50 pm, seconded by Trustee Bates, all five (5) board members in attendance approved and motion was passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Owens
Secretary