

**VILLAGE OF COHOCTON
MONTHLY MEETING
MARCH 25, 2020**

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The monthly meeting of the Cohocton Village Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 7:00 pm, in the Village Office, 17 South Main Street, Cohocton.

Present were: Mayor, Janice Sahrle (via Skype to just observe). Deputy Mayor, Wendell Freelove. Trustees: Sandra Azzi, Nate Martin and Kathryn Gray. Also present were: Village Clerk-Treasurer Katherine Wise and Attorney for the Village Elizabeth Oklevitch (via Skype)

Deputy Mayor Freelove called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Everyone stood for the pledge to the flag.

Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee martin, seconded by Trustee Gray, to approve the February 19, 2020 meeting minutes, March 4, 2020 emergency meeting minutes, March 11, 2020 budget work session minutes and the March 17, 2020 budget work session minutes. The motion carried 4-0.

Reports

The Board reviewed the Code Enforcement Officer's report.

The Board reviewed the Fire Department report.

The Board reviewed the Street and Water report made by Mark Sabins.

The Board reviewed the Planning Board minutes.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Gray to accept the monthly reports as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

New Business

The Board reviewed the new insurance policy.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the 2020-2021 insurance policy with Sprague Insurance. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Martin to hire Terry Mehlenbacher to fill the new temporary position of Water Treatment Plant Operator in Charge at a rate of pay of \$5,000 per year, to be paid monthly, making his start date March 4. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Gray to allow the purchase of the colorimeter and test packs as well as to repair the pump house auto-dialer. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Martin to adopt local law #1 of 2020 a local law to override the NYS tax cap. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Martin to set June 4 as the water shut off date. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Gray to approve the spring 2020 newsletter with the discussed changes. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Martin, to hold the public meeting on the 2020-2021 budget on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at 7:00, with the April monthly meeting to follow. Due to COVID-19, written comments regarding the 2020-2021 budget will be taken in advance of the hearing and the tentative budget will be available online for review. The motion carried 4-0.

The annual organizational meeting was tabled until after the Village Election.

Old Business

The Board of Ethics was tabled.

The new ZBA member was tabled.

The personnel policy was tabled.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the 2019 audit of the Justice books. The motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence

A correspondence was received from Margie Adams regarding the annual Wheels for life bike-a-thon.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Azzi to allow use of the Village Streets for the annual wheels for life bike-a-thon to be held on May 9, 2020 or at any future date if it is re-scheduled due to COVID-19. The motion carried 4-0.

A correspondence was received from Village Justice Ron Snyder regarding Town reimbursement of Justice and Court Clerk dues. The issue was tabled until next month.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Audit

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

General Fund: Vouchers 220-246 totaling \$14990.49 Water Fund: Vouchers 67-81 totaling \$9997.81

The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the following line item transfers to the 2019-2020 budget:

General Fund:

\$23 from A1620.2 to A1010.4	\$1547 from A3410.44 to A3410.43
\$2850 from A1620.2 to A1210.4	\$20 from A4010.4 to A3620.2
\$7 from A3410.44 to A3410.2	\$800 from A8540.4 to A5110.41
\$103 from A3410.44 to A3410.41	\$3900 from A8560.4 to A5110.41

\$1000 from A5132.44 to A5110.41
\$250 from A5410.4 to A5110.46
\$128 from A5142.1 to A5132.45
\$1000 from A5142.1 to A9710.6

\$3747 from A1990.4 to A5110.41
\$381 from A5142.1 to A5132.2
\$180 from A1990.4 to A8010.4

Water Fund:

\$7181 from F1990.4 to F8330.4

\$721 from F1990.4 to F9060.8

The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray Seconded by Trustee Azzi to approve the January 2020 and February 2020 Village books. The motion carried 4-0.

Board Concerns

The Board discussed when Moody's was going to come and check the well casings.

The Board reviewed the applications for part time laborer and Maintenance Supervisor.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Azzi, seconded by Trustee Martin, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm. The motion carried 4-0.

Katherine M Wise
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Prepared: March 30, 2020