

Minutes of the February 15, 2022 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Newark held in the 2nd floor courtroom of the Municipal Building at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT

Mayor Jonathan Taylor (4); Trustees: Robert Bendix (3), Stuart Blodgett (4), Chris Burgess (4), and Emily Howard (4).

Officer In Charge James Thomson, Superintendent of DPW Bob Hutteman, Village Clerk-Treasurer Valerie Quade, Code Enforcement Officer Michael Bouwens, Economic Developer Mark Peak, Fire Chief Chuck Witt and Attorney Art Williams.

General Public: 7

WELCOME BY
MAYOR

At 6:00 P.M., Mayor Taylor led the gathering in the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the following minutes:

- Regular Board Meeting January 18, 2022.
- Special Board meeting January 28, 2022.

CONSENT
AGENDA

Motion Trustee Howard, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the February vouchers and invoices Trustee Burgess reviewed for reasonableness and which were submitted for payment approval. Payments totaling \$341,361.45 were authorized for all funds.

The Board thanked the department heads for their monthly reports.

CHIEF
CHUCK WITT

Chief Witt discussed the following:

- The fire department had 47 calls in January 2022.
- Thanked the Village Board for closing the East Avenue Bridge for training.

CODE
ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Michael Bouwens gave the following update:

- 957 Pierson Street building plans have been approved.
- Called land bank regarding 201 Church Street and 315 East Myrtle.
- Had inspection and rental issues in the month of January.
- Steady flow of sump pump inspections.
- On the last phase of Civic.gov.

ECONOMIC DE-
VELOPEMENT

Motion Trustee Burgess, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the Wine and Artisans Festival on June 17, 2022 at T Spencer Knight Park. VanBuren Street will be closed at 1:30 P.M. for set up through the festival.

Economic Development Mark Peake gave the following update:

- Submitted Empire State Trail Town Program application.
- Attending 2 upcoming conferences.
- NYS Canal Corporation is launching a new grant program.
- A lot of interest in the DRI grant.
- Public Hearing on the DRI on March 1st at 6: P.M.

CLERK
TREASURER

Clerk Treasurer Valerie Quade had no updates.

MAYOR

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the contract with Wayne County Humane Society to board Village dogs as needed. This eliminates the Village's dog kennel at Colburn Park.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to accept the Dog Control Officer Inspection Report dated 2/1/2022.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to renew the Lawn Maintenance contract for the Newark Cemeteries to Masons Landscaping Contractors, Inc. for \$49,100.00, and the Lawn Maintenance contract for the Newark Parks to Q's Lawn and Landscaping for \$27,500.00,

Motion Trustee Burgess, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the refund of \$675.75 for 106 Lillie Street due to the payment was for a replacement however it only needed repair.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve Renewal of Life Church of God in Christ the use of Central Park on July 16, 2022. This is contingent on providing hours of use.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Howard and carried unanimously to approve Mark Peake, Robbin Bremer and Chris Burgess to attend the Canal Society of New York State Winter Symposium & Annual Meeting on March 5, 2022 for the cost of \$165.00.

Motion Trustee Howard, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve Mayor Taylor to sign Easement Agreements for West Miller Street culvert.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the Taste of Wayne County to be held on July 19, 2022 at T. Spencer Knight Park. VanBuren Street will be closed for this event.

The request to hold a Car Show on August 6, 2022 at Perkins Park was tabled until further information could be provided.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Howard and carried unanimously to approve the Newark Girls Softball to hold a chicken BBQ in the municipal parking lot on April 2, 2022.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve the following lowest responsible bids for the WTP and the WWTP chemicals for FY 2023:

WTP:

- Hydrofluosilicic Acid – Slack Chemical Co. @ \$.417 per lb. (↑.09¢ per lb.)
- Blended Orthophosphate – Aqua Smart Inc. @ \$11.50 per gal. (same per gal.) 3 year term, 1 year left.
- Diatomaceous Earth – ManCel Chemical Co. @ \$1,123.89 per ton (↑\$78.05 per ton)
- Sodium Hypochlorite – Univar Solutions @ \$1.436 per gallon bulk, (↑\$.326 per gal.)

WWTP:

- Polymer – Slack Chemical @ \$14.55 per gallon (↑\$3.01 per gal)
- Aluminum Sulfate – Thatcher Company of New York @ \$1.36 per gallon (↑\$.37 per gal.)

Mayor Taylor thanked Superintendent Bob Hutteman and Water Treatment Plant Operator Mike Gonzalez for helping the Town of Phelps with their water main break.

Mayor Taylor gave an update on the DRI grant. There will be a public meeting on March 1, 2022. They are accepting projects immediately. In July the LPC will submit the selected projects and will send them to the state for their selection.

LEGAL

Attorney Williams had no update.

**OFFICER IN
CHARGE JAMES
THOMSON**

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve Investigator Warren to attend the Drone Forensics Course in Hoover Alabama March 28th -April 1st. The training is paid for by the US Secret Service and will be no cost to the Village.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Howard and carried unanimously to approve Office Dean to attend the Assisting Individuals in Crisis training at the Monroe County Law Enforcement Academy on March 17th and 18th. The training is paid for by DCJA. The only expense is a vehicle for travel and meal costs.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve the request to salvage 149 bicycles, 7 scooters and 1 snow blower in the lost and found room at the DPW. There will be notices put out to residents to contact a non-emergency number at the Police Department by March 1st to claim a possible lost or stolen bike. After March 1st the Youth Advocacy Program will work with the Police Department and DPW to sort through the remaining lost and found to collect bikes that can be fixed and donated.

Officer in Charge James Thomson gave an update that there were 644 calls for service in the month of January. Included in those were 57 traffic stops, 12 motor vehicle crash investigations and 15 arrests.

SUPERINTENDENT DPW BOB HUTTEMAN

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve Shumaker Consulting Engineering & Land Surveying proposal for Phase I Environmental Site Assessments for the New York Main Street Program at a cost of \$9,000.00.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve Ravi Engineering & Land Surveying proposal for Environmental Services for the New York Main Street Program at a cost of \$26,180.00.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the purchase of a stump grinder at a cost of \$8,980.16.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Howard and carried unanimously to approve the following budgetary transfer for the rebuild of the north side canal docks:

Storm Sewer- Contractual Expenditures	
A.8140.4000	(\$10,000.00)
Permanent Improvements – Parks and Cemeteries	
A.1620.4950	\$10,000.00

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve Mayor Taylor to sign the CDBG Grant for the Blue Cut Culvert.

Superintendent Bob Hutteman discussed the following:

- Continuing grants for TIPS. It needs to be submitted by the end of February. Should find out who was awarded summer of 2022.
- Electric vehicle charging stations to be installed on the back side of the Fire Department.
- Library HVAC project is waiting for parts.
- Boiler in the municipal building is fixed. Thanks were given to

Dan VanKouwenberg and Chet Wells.

- James Crawford and Jeff DeCook are doing a great job on the docks.

TRUSTEES

Trustees had no update.

TIME FOR THE
PUBLIC

Al Schober voiced concerns over a potential car show in a public picnic area. He suggested the Fireman's Field would be a better option.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to go into Executive Session at 6:52 P.M. to discuss specific positions in the Village Office, the Fire Department and Potential Contract.

Valerie Quade
Village Clerk-Treasurer