

Minutes of the Interlaken Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at the Village Hall and via GoToMeeting

Members Present: Mayor Richardson, Trustees Kempf and Garcia

Via GoToMeeting: Trustees Pepper and Del Plato. Also online: Maddy Vogel

Others Present: DPW Supervisor Ahouse, Fire Chief Borden, Police Chief Dwello, Clerk/Treasurer Swartwood

Public Present: NONE

Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

Richardson motioned, Garcia second, carried.

Public to be heard: NONE

Library:

DPW repaired outlet, changed lights and took down Halloween decorations.

Fire:

There were 8 calls for October

Member training going well. Basic, fire safety officer firefighter self-escape, vehicle extrication and bailout training are going well. Training takes place nights and weekends with a lot of hours put in.

Ladder testing is on Friday 11/15. Rescue tools have been serviced and are all in good order.

This should take care of testing and inspections for the year.

John Mills (Electric) is coming to look at the fans and update the electric upstairs.

I have quote for turnout coats and pants - \$3095.00 before 12/15 after this date increase of 10% - 33695.00. We have 8 interior personnel only 2 have gear within the 10-year range. Garcia motioned to purchase 3 sets at the 3095.00 price from ARPA funds, second Kempf, carried.

Thanks to Wes and Tom for installing new hot water tank. Interlaken Fire Department paid for the water tank.

It looks like we are going to reapply for AFG grant through FEMA air pack grant. Grant writer KenTate will only charge 500.00 this time as we were turned down last time (which TenKate did not understand why).

IFD applied for matching DEC grants for 2 battery saws, 2 extra batteries and a 4-bank charger.

Two 50' lengths of 5" hose – our cost approximately 1500.00 which IFD will pick up. IFD has been updating EMS supplies and AED pads and batteries.

NYS has issued a state wide burn ban until November 30th. For people who don't know – there have been 5000 acres burning down state and NJ. This is on reason I think the way I do pertaining to burning in the village. Lansing had a big fire recently and IFD assisted Hector for a large fire there. It only takes a spark...

DPW brush hogged fields.

Water:

Lead service line letters were sent out with the help of Nancy, Brian and Cindy.

Darling Road brush hogged one last time.

Turned off water for new service line at 3578 Mechanic – turned back on.

NY Rural Water (free service) came, helped locate a leak on transmission line from well to pump house.

Assisted Ovid cleaning filters.

Reports sent to Seneca Co Health Dept.

Spoke with Interlaken Landing Owner-Evan Monkmeyer, regarding the inside/outside meter.

New outside reader ordered.

Power surge at water plant. Tom ran the pumps by hand 2 days. W Ahouse repaired that issue upon return from being away.

Put out notices for meter replacements. Installed 3 new meters.

PESH inspection: violation for not having a written procedure, eyewash station nor flowing correctly, use of SH-900 logs of work injuries.

Attended meeting with Hunt-EAS – SCDOH still holding up water plant. SCDOH will be here next week to go to the plant and get the lay of the land.

Del Plato questioned the lead pipe letter – DPW they have never dug up a lead pipe and have not seen in any basements they have been in. Goosenecks have lead joints, there is no contact with the water. DPW samples every 2 years for lead, never had any amount over the recommended level.

Del Plato questioned the elementary school – DPW does not want to get involved with the school. Richardson – elementary school is cleared out of any issue.

Richardson also noted – anyone who is concerned can contact an outside vendor to assess/test lines and their water.

DPW does bacteria testing regularly.

Sewer:

Repaired injection pump at sewer plant.

New pickup line, tied in new lateral at 3578 Mechanic St.

Plugged pump in grease trap - cleaned leaves out of digester.

Working with Yaws on treatment plant surveys/biosolids.

Brush hogged sewer plant.

Waiting to hear from Hunt on grant applications.

Streets:

Took dirt to Railroad Ave sidewalk project.

Mowing continues, lots of brush and leaf pickup.

Cleaned catch basins.

Met with Champion about the railing on Mechanic St.-hope to install soon, will attach to the large rocks.

NYSDOT cut trees on West Ave. DPW asked them to cut limbs being hit near Hubbard's, and they took care of that.

Dump truck is at Josh's garage, running on 7 or 8 cylinders (miss fires) Josh believes it is a rodent issue. Plugs ordered from CARQUEST.

Backhoe is due for 500-hour service. Josh can do that at his garage.

Possible vacation buy-back this year? Richardson motioned, Garcia second to vacation buy-back.

Police:

IPD handled 194 calls for service. 18 traffic citations were issued.

Monthly report submitted to the Dept. of Criminal Justice.

Court detail was conducted without incident.

2 jackets, 2 long sleeve shirts and 2 pairs of pants ordered from Lewis Uniform in Syracuse and picked up.

Winter tires put on 401.

401 returned to Trombley Tire due to problems with the balancing of winter tires.

Advised by Stop DWI we will be getting reimbursed for our High Visibility Campaign and we have a new balance of 1700.00

Kiddie Halloween parade went well had a great turnout.

No issues on Halloween. Candy was handed out and a big thank you to the mayor for purchasing/donating of glow stick with lanyards. These were a big hit.

New body cameras came in and were placed into service.

Jake Edelen from Axon contacted about the signal unit for the new cards and a time frame of when they may be ordered and shipped.

Working on ordering the new computers and printers for the new police cars.

Currently working on the Department Annual Validation for Dept. of Criminal Justice.

FOIL request completed for Tompkins Co. Child Protective.

Approval from the board needed for Chief civil service test results to be used for permanent civil service status. Richardson motioned, second Garcia to approve the test results for Chief Dwello, carried.

Treasurer:

Balances of accounts read.

Budget Modifications:

Richardson motioned to move 1012.99 from A2771 to A1320.11 for overspent on Stop DWI program, second Garcia, carried.

Richardson motioned to move 2035.00 from A1990.4 to A1989.4 for overspent on grant writer, second Garcia, carried.

Richardson motioned to move 2260.00 from A1990.41 to A3989.4 overspent on other public safety, second Garcia, carried.

Other items:

NYCLASS rates have dropped to mid-4.5%

CPA will be here for internal audit review for 2023-2024 on 11/25 and 11/26.

CivicReady – mass notification sent in a quote for 2925.00 for 2 years. Richardson wants to know what Seneca County uses.

Approval of Bills:

Motion by Kempf, second Garcia to pay signed vouchers in: General Fund (#144-176 \$53,532.06) Water Fund (#42-50 \$15,711.14) Sewer Fund (#30-36 \$7,237.83) carried.

Old Business:

Darling Road property – all paperwork is complete, just waiting a closing date.
Tunison Road – no movement.

New Business:

Fixed electric rate – quote from Progressive Energy Consultants – Richardson to contact them directly with questions.

Correction to November 9, 2023 minutes – Equipment Disposal 5 CPU's 1 printer change "surplus" to 'obsolete'.

Updated Harassment Policy – need signatures from employees. Copies available as well as in the policy binder. Richardson motioned to approve updated version, second Kempf, carried.

Richardson mentioned propane bidding. Would like to own our tanks and shop for best prices.

Sweetwater sells new and refurbished tanks and can monitor the tanks wirelessly. New 3350.00
refurbished

2250.00

Adjournment:

Garcia motioned, Kempf second to adjourn at 7:30 pm, carried.

Respectfully,
Nancy Swartwood
Clerk Treasurer