

VILLAGE OF COHOCTON
MONTHLY
May 19, 2021

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The monthly meeting of the Cohocton Village Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 7:00 pm, at the CDC building 71 Maple Avenue, Cohocton.

Present were: Mayor: Sandra Azzi. Trustees: Nate Martin, Wendell Freelove, Kathryn Gray. Trustee Mathew McCarthy was absent. Also present were: Clerk Treasurer Katherine Wise, Attorney for the Village Elizabeth Oklevitch, Maintenance Supervisor Bill Waggoner, Fire Chief RJ Curry, Terry Mehlenbacher, Dave Pietrucha, and Ron Towner

Mayor Azzi called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Freelove, to approve the April 14, 2021 annual meeting minutes, April 14, 2021 budget hearing minutes and the April 14, 2021 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried 4-0.

Reports

The Board reviewed the Code Enforcement Officer report.

The Board reviewed the Fire Department report.

The Board reviewed the Street report.

The Board reviewed the Water report.

The Board reviewed the Planning Board minutes.

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Gray to appoint Nancy Levesque as Planning Board Secretary for the following terms: 9/3/20 – 12/31/20 and 1/1/21 – 12/31/21. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the reports as presented and to allow the Mayor to sign the utility easement with 70 Maple Avenue needed to run natural gas to the Village Barn. The motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence

A motion was made by Trustee Martin seconded by Trustee Gray to allow the Mayor to sign the support contract with Williamson Law Book. The motion carried 4-0.

Old Business

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the 2020 Justice Books audit. The motion carried 4-0.

The Board discussed the current water rates and schedule. The Board would like the subject to be placed on next month's agenda.

The Board discussed the proposed changes to the Zoning law regarding lot sizes. The County needs to

approve the changes before a public hearing can be held.

New Business

The new Justice Clerk position pay was discussed.

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Martin to allow the Clerk-Treasurer to make any necessary year end line item transfers. The motion carried 4-0.

Hiring and exterminator for the fire hall was discussed.

Public Comment

Ron Towner was present and stated that there is no reason for the Village to pay for the black top of the driveway, the Larrowe house has money to help pay for the expense. He also stated that Mike Santillo was almost killed in an explosion in Pennsylvania and he lost a lot of his equipment.

Audit

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

General Fund: Vouchers 255-289 totaling \$37382.05
Water fund: Vouchers 92-97 totaling \$2278.44

The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Freelove to approve the following line item transfers:

General Fund: \$9098 from A1620.4 to A1110.4
 \$25.00 from A1620.4 to A1210.4
 \$727 from A1620.4 to A1920.4
 \$48.16 from A3410.44 to A3410.46
 \$25 from A1620.4 to A4010.4
 \$54.40 from A5110.41 to A5110.2
 \$1.86 from A5110.41 to A5110.43
 \$140.05 from A5110.41 to A5110.47
 \$370.18 from A8540.4 to A5132.44
 \$226.16 from A8540.4 to A5132.45
 \$.03 from A1990.4 to A1010.1
 \$293.57 from A1620.4 to A5182.4
 \$244.03 from A1620.4 to A5142.2
 \$14,409.68 from A1990.4 to A9710.6
 \$5090.32 from A599 to A9710.6

Water Fund: \$395.25 from F1990.4 to F8330.4
 \$246.90 from F1990.4 to F8340.40

The motion carried 4-0

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Gray to approve the April 2021 books. The motion carried 4-0.

Board Concerns

Trustee Gray stated that the school is moving Kindergarten -Elementary to the Wayland building. The Cohocton building will be Offices and pre-school. She thought inviting Eileen Fienman to the July meeting to review the changes would be a good idea.

Mayor Azzi would like the Board to have a key fob to the fire hall. Flower baskets for the business district was discussed.

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Martin to enter into executive session regarding employment concerns of a specific employee at 8:16 pm. Elizabeth Oklevitch, Katherine Wise and RJ Curry were invited to stay for the session. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Martin to exit executive session and enter regular session at 8:34 pm. With the following action taken: The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Freelove, seconded by Trustee Gray to put a letter in RJ Curry's personnel file and placing him on probation until September 1, 2021. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Freelove to accept the Fire Department Officers subject to RJ Curry's probation period previously decided and to allow the Mayor to sign the red light letters for the Fire Chiefs. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Freelove, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm. The motion carried 4-0.

Katherine M. Wise
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Prepared: May 26, 2021