

Minutes of the October 19, 2021 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Newark held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor courtroom of the Municipal Building at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT

Mayor Jonathan Taylor (24); Trustees: Robert Bendix (21), Stuart Blodgett (21), Chris Burgess (24), and Emily Howard (Excused).

Police Chief Mark Thoms, Superintendent of DPW Bob Hutteman (excused), Village Clerk-Treasurer Valerie Quade, Code Enforcement Officer Michael Bouwens, Economic Developer Mark Peak, Fire Chief Chuck Witt and Attorney Art Williams.

General Public: 25

WELCOME BY  
MAYOR

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

Mayor Taylor recognized the Girl Scouts from Troop 40015 earning their Silver Award.

APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

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

- Regular Board Meeting September 28, 2021.

CONSENT  
AGENDA

Motion Trustee Burgess, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the October vouchers and invoices Trustee Blodgett reviewed for reasonableness and which were submitted for payment approval. Payments totaling \$737,567.41 were authorized for all funds.

The Board thanked the department heads for their monthly reports.

CHIEF  
CHUCK WITT

Chief Witt discussed the following:

- They have had 42 calls.
- Fire Prevention month is October. Visiting the school and the Fire Demonstration at Wegmans parking lot went well.
- Delivery of the new truck is postponed to the end of February due to the demand.
- There has been a couple cases of COVID-19 within the fire department volunteers.
- Fire Department dinner was moved to Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup>.

CODE  
ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Michael Bouwens provided the following updates:

- Closing out building permits now that it is the end of summer.
- Still finding issues with lawns not being mowed.

- House building on Pierson is laying block.
- Doing sump pump inspections.
- Have done 40 business inspections.

CLERK  
TREASURER

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve sending 2021-2022 delinquent Village taxes Relevy to be sent to Wayne County.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve adding Multi-Factor Authentication to IT applications at the cost of \$1,000 and 10 hours of implementation.

MAYOR

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve WTP Operator, Parker Slocum, to purchase field study training program through NYS Rural Water at a cost of \$285.00. This is the first step towards his water license.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve Cornerstone Fellowship use of the gazebo in Central park on December 11, 2021 for a Christmas Caroling event.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve the Newark Homecoming Parade to take place on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve TY Lin proposal for North Main Street final design for \$120,397.54.

Design contract with C&S for East Ave was tabled.

Mayor Taylor read a positive review from a boater that was stuck in the Port of Newark due to the closing of the canal.

LEGAL

Attorney Williams had no updates.

POLICE CHIEF  
MARK THOMS

Police Chief Mark Thoms gave an update on the following:

- Currently working with multiple agencies on issues with select juveniles that are causing problems within the Village.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve Sergeant Randy Rice to attend Advanced Armorer's Course on November 17-18, 2021 at Rochester Personal Defense David Jenkins. The cost is \$400.00 plus use of a vehicle. This is a recertification as a Glock Armorer.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unan-

imously to approve Patrolman Greg DeBoerdere to attend the Fire/Arson Investigation Seminar on November 3-5, 2021 at the NYS Academy of Fire Science in Montour Falls, N.Y. The cost is \$35.00 plus the use of a vehicle. This is a requirement to maintain certification as a Fire/Arson Investigator.

SUPERINTEN-  
DENT DPW BOB  
HUTTEMAN

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to approve declaring the 2006 Chevy pickup, 2 engine hoist, metal lathe and hydraulic chain saw surplus.

TRUSTEES

Trustee Blodgett and Trustee Burgess discussed having a possible electronic and hazardous material disposal drop off date.

TIME FOR THE  
PUBLIC

Leisa Sweet of 718 Colton Avenue, Newark; Kimberly Bergfjord of 407 North Main Street, Newark; Jim Leff of 27 Ross Road, Arcadia; and Dan Barnes of 103 Elmwood Ave, Newark had a discussion with the Village Board, James Schuler of the Youth Advocate Program, Police Chief Thoms, and Attorney Williams about the problem with select juveniles that are causing issues within the Village of Newark. There were numerous topics conveyed including increased lighting, camera systems, providing food, and neighborhood watch programs. The Village Board encouraged residents to write letters to Assemblyman Brian Manktelow and Senator Pam Helming to bring awareness to the issues in smaller towns and encourage more legislative involvement. The Village Board thanked the residents for coming to the Board meeting to have discussion regarding this issue and said that the discussion will continue as long as there are ongoing issues.

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Burgess and carried unanimously to go into Executive Session at 6:58 P.M. to discuss pending contract and specific DPW employee.

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Valerie Quade  
Village Clerk-Treasurer