

Minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Newark held in the 2nd floor court room of the Municipal Building at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT

Mayor Jonathan Taylor (24); Trustees: Robert Bendix (21), Stuart Blodgett (22), Alan Schober (23), and Rebecca Vermeulen (18).

Interim Police Chief Mark Thoms, Village Clerk/Treasurer Steve Murawski, Code Enforcement Officer Mark Peake, Fire Chief Rusty Havert, AECC Executive Director Mike Muscolino, and Attorney Art Williams.

General Public: 6

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 Schober and carried unanimously 4-0 (Trustee Blodgett Late) to approve the following minutes:

- Regular Board Meeting August 21, 2018.

CONSENT
AGENDA

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously 4-0 (Trustee Blodgett Late) to approve the September vouchers and invoices Trustee Bendix reviewed for reasonableness and which were submitted for payment approval. Payments totaling \$1,423,289.96 were authorized for all funds.

The Board thanked the department heads for their monthly reports.

FIRE CHIEF
RUSTY HAVERT

Chief Havert delayed.

AECC DIRECTOR
MIKE
MUSCOLINO

Mr. Muscolino noted the following:

- Reviewed handout of Fall Activities Schedule with Board.
- Noted the significant usage of Hoffman St. Field, Ross Park, and Colburn Park for baseball and softball for the different ages groups, and the impact on economic activity within the Village because of it.

FIRE CHIEF
HAVERT

Chief Havert spoke on the following:

- NYC Co. #5 to participate in fundraising in the last two Movie Night in the Park events.
- Arcadia Hose Co. #2 to hold annual clambake fundraiser on October 6, 2018 in Syracuse.
- Old Rescue 7 has been viewed over 1,000 times on the seller's

website, and four contacts with the seller have occurred; no one has contacted the Village directly. The sale price has been lowered to \$46,000.00, and may continue to be decreased incrementally, if necessary, for sale.

- Open House for the new Rescue 7, which is now in service, will be on October 13th from 2:00-5:00 P.M., with the Annual Department Inspection at 6:00 P.M.
- 412 calls for service YTD.
- The replacement garage doors for the upgrade project have been ordered, but there is no definite arrival date.
- Jr. Reds football team is utilizing the Fireman's' Field due to the NSCD field not available at the present time.

CODE
ENFORCEMENT/
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Peake spoke on the following:

- Commended the Newark Fire Department for their quick and effective response to the house fire at 419 E. Miller St. that limited the damage that did occur.
- Two large projects before the Planning and Zoning Boards in November 2018.
- Two vacant commercial buildings in the Village have potential buyers.
- Bassett Group has received approval from the Zoning Board to move forward with their apartment building project on Hope Avenue.
- Requested Executive Session for potential real estate transaction.

CLERK/
TREASURER

Mr. Murawski had nothing for Open Session.

MAYOR

Motion Trustee Schober, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to go to the following schedule for the Senior Citizen exemption for assessed value of their property for Village Taxes:

<u>Annual Income</u>	<u>Percentage Assessed Valuation Exempt</u>
\$13,500 or less	Fifty (50) Per centum
>\$13,500 to <\$14,500	Forty-Five (45) Per centum
>\$14,500 to <\$15,500	Forty (40) Per centum
>\$15,500 to <\$16,500	Thirty-Five (35) Per centum
>\$16,500 to <\$17,400	Thirty (30) Per centum
>\$17,400 to < 18,300	Twenty-Five (25) Per centum
>\$18,300 to <\$19,200	Twenty (20) Per centum
>\$19,200 to <\$20,100	Fifteen (15) Per centum
>\$20,100 to <\$21,000	Ten (10) Per centum
>\$21,000 to <\$21,900	Five (05) Per centum

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to declare surplus and dispose of at Fair Market Value the fol-

lowing vehicles:

2011 Crown Victoria – VIN 137762

2002 Saturn – VIN 303352

1998 Volvo Dump Truck – VIN 862102

1996 GMC 3500 – VIN 518220

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Ellie Palermo, effective August 24, 2018.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to choose the Leotek-4000 Kelvin light fixture for the Village LED Street Light Upgrade Project.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to approve the Winter Family Fun Night in Perkins Park on December 6, 2018, sponsored by the Kelley School PTA. Harmon Rainey, on behalf of the PTA group, provided additional information.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to approve the No Cost Change Order #1, Share 1, Main Street.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to approve Supplemental Agreement #1 to contract D035539, East Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation, and to authorize the Mayor to sign the same. By signing this agreement, the Village of Newark acknowledges and accepts the stipulations of the agreement, and that the Village has appropriated the funding necessary to deliver the project as described in Schedule A of the Agreement. The motion also authorizes the Mayor to sign both Certification and Reimbursement Requests on behalf of the Village of Newark for this project.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to approve the use of Village streets for the annual Newark Homecoming Parade on Saturday, September 22nd, starting at 4:00 P.M., with line up at the AECC beginning at 3:30 P.M.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to approve the use of Village streets for the Annual Turkey Day race, which will be five miles in length this year. The race will start at 9:00 A.M. on November 22nd at the AECC, and the course will take into account any potential construction related to the Route 88 South project.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to schedule the Fall Brush Pickup to run from October 8th

until October 31st, with leaf pickup to follow afterwards.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to authorize the Mayor to sign the letters of recognition for Connor O'Brien and Ben Talbot for their achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve changing the regularly scheduled Board Meeting for October 2018 to Monday, October 15th, at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Taylor noted that the Cornell Design Connect planning group that is going to be working with the Village in addressing significant planning and design issues in Newark is able to provide, for free, as part of the grant agreement, services that the Village had previously considered contracting with EDR to perform for over \$8,000.00. Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to allow Cornell Design Connect to assist the Village in improving the safety, visibility and environmental issues when Newark redesigns the Village owned parking lot located on the south side of the 100 block of East Union St., just east of South Main St.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve Change Order #1, Share 5, Sanitary Sewer, which will increase that contract amount by 8,271.97 to perform the additional work noted therein.

Mayor Taylor had nothing else for Open Session.

LEGAL

Attorney Art Williams had nothing for the Board tonight.

POLICE CHIEF

Chief Thoms noted that the annual Back to School Traffic Enforcement detail netted only 3 tickets being issued, which is down from the 8-10 tickets issued on average in the past. He feels that drivers are finally starting to pay attention to traffic signage related to school zones.

After much discussion on the costs and additional benefits it possibly could provide, motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to upgrade the original Safe Child ID Kit, Complete EZ Turnkey System version, which cost \$4,999.00, to the Ultimate I.D System, which will cost an additional \$3,000.00. The original I.D. Kit did not include a printer, which costs \$2,600.00, to make laminated copies of the I.D; the printer cost is included in the Ultimate I.D. kit at no additional cost. This, along with the fact that the Ultimate I.D. System also provides an electronic version of the I.D, along with the ability to provide I.D cards for at risk senior citizens, were the main factors for the Boards' rational to choose the upgraded

product.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to authorize Interim Chief Thoms to attend the FLLEA 2018 Annual Executive Development Seminar in Varysburg, New York, from October 2nd-4th, at a total cost of \$300.00, with no overtime required.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to authorize Investigator VerStraete to attend the N.Y. DARE Officers Association “Back to School – What every L.E.O. and School Professional Should Know About Current Trends in Teen Drug Abuse” training event at the Comfort Inn in Waterloo, N.Y. on October 12, 2018, at no cost to the Village. No overtime should be incurred because of this training.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to authorize Inv. VerStraete and Office DeBoerdere to attend the NYS Fire Prevention 2018 Fire/Arson Investigation seminar at the NYS Fire Academy in Montour Falls, New York on November 7th-9th. The training is necessary for continuation of certification and provides 12 hours of the annual training hours required. The total cost is \$217.00, which includes \$55.00 for the training sessions and materials each, and \$107.00 for Investigator VerStraete to stay overnight. Officer DeBoerdere will commute with a Village vehicle for the training.

TRUSTEES

None of the Trustees had anything for Open Session.

TIME FOR THE PUBLIC

No one from the public wished to address the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Trustee, seconded Trustee and carried unanimously to go into Executive Session at 6:51 P.M. to discuss a potential Real Estate transaction, and specific individuals within the Police Department and Village Office.

OPEN SESSION

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to come back into Open Session at 8:50 P.M.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the contract with Bruckner, Tillett, Rossi, Cahill and Associates to appraise the Municipal Building/Fire House at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to offer the position of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer to Carolyn Pitti at a starting salary of \$70,000.00, along with all of the other benefits

available to Non-Union employees described in their handbook, and other Village Board resolutions.

ADJOURNMENT Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 P.M.

Stephen Murawski,
Village Clerk-Treasurer