

Minutes of the August 18, 2020 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 (22); Trustees: Robert Bendix (22), Stuart Blodgett (20), Alan Schober (21), and Rebecca Vermeulen (19).
- Police Chief Mark Thoms, Superintendent of DPW Bob Hutteman, Village Clerk/Treasurer Steve Murawski, Code Enforcement Officer Mark Peake, Fire Chief Kevin Velte, and Attorney Art Williams.
General Public: 27
- WELCOME BY MAYOR At 6:00 P.M., Mayor Taylor led the gathering in the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.
- GIRLS BOWLING TEAM RECOGNITION Mayor Taylor introduce the coach of the Girls Bowling team and presented awards to Savannah Smith, Natalie Kent, Rebecca Spry, Emily Spry, Abby Olmstead, and Emily Lang for their winning the Section Five Championship four years in a row.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the following minutes:
- Regular Board Meeting July 21, 2020.
- CONSENT AGENDA Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to approve the August vouchers and invoices Mayor Taylor reviewed for reasonableness and which were submitted for payment approval. Payments totaling \$1,055,502.00 were authorized for all funds.
- The Board thanked the department heads for their monthly reports.
- CHIEF KEVIN VELTE Chief Velte spoke on the following:
- 312 Calls for Service YTD.
 - Ladder truck back in service after accident repairs being completed.
- Motion Trustee Schober, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to accept the resignation of John McTaggart.
- CODE ENFORCEMENT/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Mr. Peake spoke on the following:
- Classy Chassis has purchased the car wash at 811 W. Union St.
 - Steel for C&C Automation building in Industrial Park is being

erected.

- IEC now employs 700 individuals in their Newark facility.
- Executive Session to discuss a specific person in the Code Enforcement Department.

CLERK
TREASURER

The Clerk/Treasurer had nothing for Open Session.

MAYOR

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the usage of the Village Parking lot at 180 E. Union St. by the Emmanuel United Methodist Church to hold a Chicken BBQ on September 19, 2020.

The decision to accept dedication of Garfield St. and Adams St. was tabled; the Village is still waiting for documentation to show where this was approved in the past.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to authorize the use of T. Spencer Knight Park on August 20, 2020 by the Newark Arcadia Historical Society to hold an outdoor history Presentation Night.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to allow Summer Market, a business started by a Newark High School student, to use Elliot Park on August 21, 2020 to set up a pop up tent and sell the custom design T Shirts that the company created.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to authorize the purchase of a 10 Ton trailer from Brooks Factory Direct Trailers, LLC for \$11,859.00. DPW Superintendent Hutteman believes that the old trailer can be surplused and sold for approximately \$3,000.00-\$4,000.00.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the usage of the Village Parking lot at 180 E. Union St. by the Newark Rotary to hold a Chicken BBQ on October 11, 2020.

Motion Trustee Schober, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to approve Amendment #2 to the Owner-Engineer agreement with MRB Group for the WTP project, which increases the contract amount by \$27,530.00 to \$956,530.00 to cover the cost of subcontractor CME Associates performing the Structural Materials Testing and Special Inspection Services for the WTP project at Freshour Rd.

Mayor Taylor also noted the following projects in the Village:

- The Boy Scout bridge reconstruction project at the Wayne Co. IDA land has been completed.
- The Canal Trail grant project is completed, and the path has been widened to ten feet.
- Library roof project completed in seven days and \$9,000.00 under budget.
- Light Pole bases constructed on Wood Lane between Peirson Ave. and Red Fox Lane; the LED street lights will be installed in the next few weeks.

LEGAL

Village Attorney Art Williams informed the Board with the issue of the house at 329 E. Union St. being 0.8' in the Right of Way. Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to approve the House Location Agreement between the owner and the Village of Newark that allows the house to remain in its present location, provided that the house is not further expanded into the easement, and that if the house ceases to stand in its present location, it will be rebuilt outside the easement area.

**POLICE CHIEF
MARK THOMS**

Chief Thoms noted that the Back The Blue motorcycle parade that went through the Village on Sunday August 16th was assisted by the Police and Fire Departments and Fire Police, and no accidents or incidents occurred within the Village.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to surplus the list of old portable radios and accessories, and to dispose of at FMV.

Chief Thoms requested an Executive Session to discuss a specific individual within the police department.

**SUPERINTEN-
DENT DPW BOB
HUTTEMAN**

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the contract with Riccelli Northern to pave the listed streets at the Wayne Co. bid price of \$428,148.27. There will be \$408,000.00 of CHIPS funding available because of some leftover funding from last fiscal year.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to approve the low bid of \$6,500.00 from Green Renewable Inc. to grind the Village brush for one year, from May 1, 2020 to May 1, 2021.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett carried unanimously to declare surplus the old Ryobi 18 Volt cordless system with carrying bag, and to dispose of at FMV.

Superintendent of DPW provided the board with updates on different

issues and projects going on in the Village.

Mayor Taylor noted that it was recently discovered that some of the LED street light fixtures that were installed as part of the upgrade project had defective fuse connectors. Colacino Industries, Inc., the contractor on the project, has agreed to replace the fuse connectors on all of the LED street lights that they installed at no cost to the Village. The Mayor appreciated and thanked them for this effort to be proactive and resolve the issue.

- TRUSTEES Trustee Vermeulen spoke of the ongoing effort to continue the restoration and protection of the mural under the N. Main St. bridge that was damaged by vandalism and then subsequently repaired.
- TIME FOR THE PUBLIC No one from the public wished to address the Board.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to go into Executive Session at 6:50 P.M. to discuss specific individuals within the Police Dept., Code Enforcement, and the Village Office staff.
- ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Stephen Murawski
Village Clerk-Treasurer