

Village of Afton
Board of Trustees Meeting
Jack D. Bolster Community Center, Afton, NY
November 10, 2014

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held November 10, 2014, at 7:00 pm in the Susquehanna Room, 105 Main Street, Afton, NY

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Muller, Trustee Harvey, Trustee Matthews, and Trustee Simods. Also present DPW Joshua Sweeney.

Absent: Trustee Zablocki

Visitors: None

- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews authorizing Clerk/Treasurer to pay the following audited vouchers, seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
General Fund Vouchers # 781-808 , Totaling \$11,050.51.
Water Fund Vouchers # 260 - 266 , Totaling \$1,414.35.
- Motion to accept previous minutes with no additions or corrections was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Simonds. All in favor, motion passed.

Monthly Report:

- DPW/ Water: Report distributed.
- Police Department: No representative.
- Code Enforcement: No representative.
- Planning Board: Meeting was held.
- Finance/Insurance: Up to date.
- Christmas Parade Committee: Meeting was held. There are three new member who are helping with the planning of the Christmas parade.
- Grant Committee: Remains the same.

Old Business:

- The 2% Tax Cap Law
- The Mayor and the Village Board Members discussed doing away with the police cell phone. Officer in charge Martin Pettit would then use his own personal phone No decisions have been made at this time.

New Business:

- DPW Joshua Sweeney informed the Village Board that everything is running smoothly within the Village. They are now working on getting the trucks ready for snow.
- The Village Board of Trustees received a letter of thanks from the Afton Historical Society for the monetary donation they received from the Village Board.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that LaChase Construction Services, LLC. will be doing the repairs on the Police Department Building. Officer in charge Martin Pettit will be meeting with the contractor in charge on Tuesday, November 11, 2014. They will begin the repair process starting next week.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that she has spoken with both Mr. Metzger and Mr. Fox in regards to the trash left behind by the owners at 28 Park Ave. The code enforcement officers are working on locating the owners.
- Trustee Matthews informed the Village Board of the Planning Board Meeting held last week. They are working on the comprehensive plan. The home owner on Spring Street who expressed her ideas of opening a new business has not been in contact with the board members. Village sign laws- Trustee Matthews stated that they are working on ways to amend the code.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees of the meeting that was held on October 23, 2014 with the Army Engineers, to inspect the erosion of the bank on Riverside Drive. They may be able to help with the problem. We are waiting to hear from them.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board that at this time the village does not have anyone on their blue cross blue shield insurance policy. We would need to make a decision as to whether we should continue to offer this service.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees, a group of people in the community would like to have further water testing done on the village's drinking water supply. This would be done as a base line against any fracking. Which will be done within our area. The Mayor will discuss this request with Isaiah Sutton at the Chenango County Health Department.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that the police phone line is not working properly. She will speak with officer in charge Martin Pettit to resolve the issue.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that Mr. Davy who installed the lighting here at the Jack D. Bolster Community Center will be coming next Monday, November 17, 2014 to suggest ways to update the lights on the front of the building as no cost to the village.
- Trustee Harvey questioned how meter readings are audited.
- A motion was made by Trustee Simonds to move \$600.00 from Building Contractual Expense (A1620.40) to General Support Contractual Expenditure(A 1989.4). Seconded by Trustee Matthews. All in favor, motion passed.

- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews and Seconded by Trustee Harvey to go into executive session. For personnel reasons. All in favor, motion passed. 7:40 pm.
- A motion was made by Trustee Harvey and Seconded by Trustee Simonds to close the executive session. All in favor, motion passed. 7:50 pm.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to close the Village Clerks Office on Wednesday and Thursday, November 26th & 27th, 2014. Seconded by Trustee Simonds. All in favor, motion passed.
- Trustee Harvey reminded everyone of the Annual Village of Afton Christmas Parade Winter Carnival being held on Saturday, December 6th, 2014. Kaitlin Jackson will start the festivities off by singing in front of the NBT Bank at 4:30 pm.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to adjourn our regular meeting at 8:05 pm and Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Ann Palmatier

Clerk/Treasurer