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Village of Andover
Board of Trustees - Regular Board Meeting
June 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order at: 6pm. The mayor led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor: David Truax
Trustees: Robert Carter; Bill Emery; Melanie Thorp and Scott Updyke
DPW Supt: Matt Zengerle
Officer in Charge: Jim Rumpfelt
Village Clerk: Pam Reed

ABSENT: Code Enforcement: Roger Moyer

PUBLIC: Teresa Andersen; Carol Behn; Lars Bjorkman; Mike Dibble; Randy Mackin/ Chris Potter WDR

MINUTES: The minutes from the May 8, 2018 Board meeting were reviewed. Mike Dibble noted a few changes to his water concern and, on a motion made by Trustee Emery and seconded by Trustee Thorp, the Board approved the minutes with the corrections noted.

ABSTRACT: On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved Abstract #1 was approved for the following amount: General: \$6,815.20; Electric \$4,397.17 Water \$1,897.41 and Trust/Agency \$152.19 = \$13,261.97.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

> Mike Dibble asked that the May minutes be revised to include his comments regarding the Connor Street water issue. Mike explained that the Health Dept tested his water (with filter in place) found no issues. The mayor suggested that more samples be taken in the area which could possibly isolate the problem. He offered to contact the Health Dept to pursue this. On a motion made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Emery, Mayor Truax will get with the Health Dept to test homes in the area.

Mike Dibble asked is the sweeper had been out and mentioned it has not been on Connor Street. Trustee Emery explained that DPW was waiting for work to be done in that area before they hit that area.

Mike Dibble asked about high grass and who handled it. Officer in Charge Rumpfelt and Trustee Emery offered to handle the complaint - or to refer to Code Enforcement.

Mike Dibble asked if anything was going to be done on Barney St Annex and the mayor said DPW filled holes. Trustee Emery offered to handle this.

Mike Dibble asked if the DPW Superintendent's position was posted and the mayor advised that, with the Board's (verbal) approval, he had appointed Matt Zengerle to fill the position, contingent on Board approval later in the meeting. Trustee Emery stated that there were many

resumes still on file as the previous superintendent was only on the job since October 2018 and the Board was satisfied with their choices/selection.

Mike Dibble asked about DPW employee raises and this was briefly discussed.

Mike Dibble asked about the Andover police car being driven out of town. Jim Rumpfelt explained that waivers were signed to drive to Pitt-Brad and other facilities at times. He also mentioned that the car is washed in Wellsville (approved years ago) as no keys to shop.

After continued, repetitive complaints and discussions, the mayor explained that he will address issues discussed earlier, but the meeting needed to move on.

> Teresa Andersen - discussed the progress of the farm animal committee and explained some of the issues the committee was dealing with. Per the mayor's request, the committee will have a draft of the new/revised Local Law for a public hearing to be held on July 10th, 2018 at 5:30pm.

During further discussion regarding the farm animal local law and issues, etc, Mike Dibble became upset; advised that he was going to file a complaint as to the way the meeting was run and he walked out at 6:55pm.

> Randy Mackin - presented a write-up suggesting that the tax rate may be incorrect. After much discussion, Mayor Truax offered to contact the Comptroller and get answers. The mayor also advised that a tax cap override was put in place during a public hearing but said he would follow up on this issue. After much discussion, the mayor ended this topic to continue on with the meeting.

Randy Mackin complained that the budget information was not included on the website. The Clerk will have the budget put on the site asap and suggested that any other changes/updates be directed to the Clerk's office.

Lars Bjorkman advised that the assessor denied his grievance but he will make another attempt to set up an appointment with her.

Trustee Updyke suggested that the Village hold quarterly budget reviews in the future.

> Carol Behn - attended the meeting to thank the Village DPW crew for taking down her tree. She was very appreciative as the tree could have caused damage to the house.

REPORTS: DPW - Matt Zengerle submitted his Public Works monthly report to the Board.

> Matt presented pictures of the damaged steps at the springbox/Indian Creek location and advised that Ed had fallen and reported an incident a few weeks ago. The steps were repaired by Rob Morris at no cost.

Matt mentioned that no maintenance had been done on several of the DPW vehicles and they were now fixed. He will track all issues found and submit a report to the Board. He advised that the bucket truck had many issues and he was waiting for a quote to do repairs.

Matt asked to buy a mower for DPW and had quotes with him. After discussion, on a motion made by Trustee Emery and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved the purchase.

Matt said that OTIS is sending crews in to help with Village maintenance (mowing, etc) and Trustee Thorp suggested that the benches be painted also.

On a motion made by Trustee Emery and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved the DPW report.

CODE ENFORCEMENT - Roger Moyer submitted a copy of his code enforcement report

On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Updyke, the Board approved the CODE ENFORCEMENT report.

JUSTICE - The Justice Reports (April and May) were submitted to the Board.

On a motion made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Emery, the Board approved the JUSTICE report.

POLICE - Officer in Charge Rumfelt submitted the Police Report to the Board.

> Jim reported that he is all set for the Andover 4th of July staffing. He also said that the Town contract is going well and that State troopers are helping more. Jim has received compliments.

Officer Rumfelt mentioned that he will be attending a dinner in Albany as he was selected to represent our area. He will also represent us at a rural law enforcement function in Washington DC.

Jim needs an extra 160 hrs school this year and asked the Board to pay hotel expenses for a training in Atlantic City June 26-27, 2018. On a motion made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Updyke, the Board approved this request.

Jim briefly discussed the new police car quote and said that there is a Music Fest at Kent Farms the end of July.

RESOLUTION: Mutual Aid Plan/Schuyler County (previously signed)

On a motion made by Trustee Emery and seconded by Trustee Thorp, the Board agreed to accept the previous resolution requiring a mutual aid plan with Schuyler County.

Trustee Thorp - aye

Trustee Updyke - aye

Trustee Emery - aye

Mayor Truax - aye

Trustee Carter - aye

On a motion made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Emery, the Board approved the POLICE report.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

- > Annual court audit letter - Clerk Reed will get more information on this.

 - > Mayor Truax asked the Board to look over the wastewater questionnaire handout.
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OLD BUSINESS:

- > Farm Animal Committee update - (discussed during Public Participation)
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NEW BUSINESS:

- > The DPW Superintendent position/appointment was discussed. Matt Zengerle did not want to go into executive session for this discussion.
Matt Zengerle was offered: \$45,000/year; family dental & vision at \$127.21/month; with no comp or overtime. On a motion made by Trustee Updyke and seconded by Trustee Emery, Matt was appointed to the DPW Superintendent position by the Board.
 - > On a motion made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Updyke, the Board agreed to give Ed VanBuskirk a \$2.00/hour raise effective June 1, 2018.
 - > Christie Brothers submitted a request for the Board to pay for her court clerk training. As there was no quote/amount requested, the Mayor asked Officer Rumfelt to check into this.
 - > A quote from Brad Perry was submitted to take down 5 trees in the Village at \$100 per tree and Brad wants the firewood. On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board agreed to hire Brad Perry for tree removal.
 - > Quotes from Plick Enterprises and Gary King were submitted (for grinding out 4 stumps at 1 Church Street). After review, the Board agreed to hire King at \$100/stump. On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved.
 - > A quote from Plick Enterprises for E Center and Church Street stumps/repairs was tabled until the next meeting.
 - > A quote from Kibbe's Concrete to replace sidewalks at The Parish House was tabled until the next meeting.
 - > Receipts for concrete purchases to replace sidewalks from The Parish House and Don Halladay were discussed. Matt will see if CHIPS will reimburse if we pay for sidewalks.
On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board agreed to reimburse each customer to total of \$500.00 per person.
 - > Trustee Thorp will have Aaron McGraw quote tree pruning using existing donations.
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On a motion made by Trustee Updyke and seconded by Trustee Emery, the Board meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.