Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees
January 11, 2021
Regular Meeting
112 N. Broad St.
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present via zoom: Mayor Alex Morgia, Deputy Mayor Barbara Boulton, Trustee Mark Pacilio and Trustee Kelly Sova. Also present: Treasurer Jim Yuhas. Trustee Mildren was absent. The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:31 pm.

MINUTES

The minutes from the December 14, 2021 meeting were approved as presented in a motion made by Trustee Pacilio and seconded by Trustee Sova. Vote 4 ayes (Morgia, Boulton, Pacilio and Sova), 0 nays.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Morgia shared that the DANC report for the month of December had not arrived yet. Mayor Morgia appointed Deputy Mayor Boulton to be the Police Department supervisor. He also appointed Trustee Sova to the Marketing Committee.

A letter received from Sherry Derouin was read regarding her concern over the water issues surrounding her property and requesting the Board look into finding a resolution.

A letter received from Connie Barone regarding the plowing of Barn Alley was discussed. Mayor Morgia hopes to have this resolved shortly once it is determined who owns the property. The November 2022 Village Board of Trustees meeting will be moved to the 15th due to the original meeting date falling on Election Day.

Mayor Morgia reported that Conboy has officially dissolved and the need for the Board to review new firms for legal representation.

Mayor Morgia mentioned a letter from Teamsters regarding the DPW employees appointed them as their union negotiator. Mayor Morgia made a motion that he will draft a proper response, seconded by Trustee Boulton. Vote 4 ayes (Morgia, Boulton, Pacilio, and Sova), 0 nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 6:45 pm.

Sherry Derouin said she had no further comment on her concerns and would like the Board to move forward and investigate the water problem surrounding her property.

Public comments were closed at 6:47 pm.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Pacilio mentioned that the Madison Barracks infrastructure agreement has not been completed and believes it should be put on the February meeting agenda.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Boulton reported that the Can-Am Committee meeting was postponed. The Military Cemetery Committee will be meeting next month. She also reported that there is a new Library Manager, Clover Afokpa. She mentioned that the library will be closed when the school is closed for inclement weather.

Trustee Sova reported that there was no Marketing Committee meeting in December and that they would be meeting every fourth Thursday of each month at 4:30pm with no meeting in July or August.

Trustee Pacilio reported that the tree committee has completed the tree inventory and arbor planning and was planning a presentation at the Old Stone Church in February. He introduced Kathy Keating as the new Heritage Area Coordinator. He reported that the Downtown Redevelopment Initiative is moving forward with having stake holder meetings with the next meeting planned for the 26th of January. He reported that Governor Hochul has announced a new initiative called New York Forward that would better suit the smaller municipalities.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was accepted in a motion made by Trustee Pacilio and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 4 ayes (Morgia, Boulton, Pacilio and Sova), 0 nays. The bills on Abstract #8 with vouchers V2-00517 through V2-00579 were paid in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Pacilio. Vote 4 ayes (Morgia, Boulton, Pacilio and Sova), 0 nays.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Lynn Martin, DPW Superintendent, reported that everything was running smoothly and that the crew installed a drop box outside the Village Office. He explained that the plowing of the sidewalks is done as a courtesy for the Village residents but the priority will always be the roads first and then the sidewalks.

Kathy Keating, Visitor's Center Coordinator, reported that she is excited to get started and bring new ideas to the Village.

Corey Reid, Village Engineer, reported that the Grant Disbursement Agreement (GDA) for the Market Square Park Projects is almost completed and should be sent to the Division of Budget and he is hoping the Village will have that GDA in hand by mid- to late February. He reported that he submitted an extension to FEMA for Market Square Park funding, and might require a couple more extensions to cover through 2023. 90% drawings, some revisions and would like to submit 100% for review and approval. He reported that the water and sewer study continues, hopes to have report completed by end of February or early march for Village review.

John Gleason, Police OIC, read his submitted report.

Connie Barone, submitted her six-month report at the end of December for the Board to review.

Trustee Pacilio read Dave Altieri's report for the Heritage Area.

Janet Quinn, Planning Board Chair, submitted her report and reported that the next meeting will be held on February 2. She voiced her support to keep Dave Guertson as the attorney to help the Planning Board see through the projects he has been working on.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:26 pm.

Mike Taber spoke on how efficient the DPW has been with plowing and snow clearing. He thanked them for their outstanding job.

Public comment was closed at 7:28 pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Pacilio, seconded by Deputy Boulton. Vote 4 ayes (Morgia, Boulton, Pacilio and Sova), 0 nays.

Minutes submitted by

Shannon Mason Deputy Clerk