

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees
August 14, 2018
Regular Meeting
112 N. Broad St.
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present: Mayor Molly Reilly, Trustee Dan Frechette and Trustee Eric Constance. Absent: Deputy Mayor Barbara Boulton and Trustee James Bray. Also present: Jim Yuhas, Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of the July 10, 2018 meeting were approved as corrected in a motion made by Trustee Constance and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

Jim Rounds, Town of Hounsfield Assessor, reviewed the new enhanced star program. He also reported that the Town Board voted in May to do a town-wide reevaluation of assessments to take effect by 2020. He will be starting this fall by photographing properties. He wanted to notify the residents so they would not be suspicious of a stranger photographing their homes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Reilly reported that the DANC Report was received as well as a copy of the funding request submitted to the Town of Hounsfield from the Fire Department. A letter was received from the Jefferson County Fire and Emergency Management Director outlining the expected inventory of the new Village radios.

There will be a Village Wide open house for real estate on August 18, 2018 advertised as "Welcome Home Sackets Harbor".

There is a "Helocast" scheduled for September 14th by the 2BCT, 10th Mt. Div.

Mayor Reilly reported that she has had conversations with people who may be interested in reviving the Sackets Harbor Area Cultural Preservation Foundation to work on the preservation of the Stone Hospital in Madison Barracks.

The request from the Hay Memorial Library for a rain date of August 31st for the scheduled Sackets Harbor Under the Stars program at the Visitor Center Lawn on August 24th was approved by the Board in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Constance. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

There will be a Community Resiliency Workshop on August 15th at the Library hosted by the Village with NYSERDA about solar procurement and Matthew Biondolillo on sustaining clean water.

The CFA grant application has been submitted for the fence along Mill Creek in Madison Barracks.

The WIIA Grant application is due in September for the water intake project.

The FEMA applications are being processed.

Mayor Reilly asked for a Board volunteer to create a schedule of charges for the rental of Village owned equipment and property. There were no volunteers.

A letter was received from Jefferson County Self Insurance Plan with the preliminary plan assessments.

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A letter was received from Stephen & Sandra Mott requesting the placement of a Dead-End street sign on Ambrose St. This was approved by the Board at the discretion of the DPW in a motion made by Trustee Constance and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays. A notice was received requesting partial refunds of taxes paid by Woodlark Properties pertaining to a granted reassessment of their property located in Madison Barracks. Council will be consulted. A CREAT report (Climate Resilience Evaluation and Awareness Tool) was distributed to the Board presenting the potential impact of climate change on the Village water, wastewater and storm-water utilities.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 6:56 pm. No comments were offered.

OLD BUSINESS

Tom Spencer of the American Legion Riders reported on their work at the Military Cemetery. Lonny Reinhardt requested that the Cemetery Committee be reformed and work with the Riders on their plan and present the plans to the Board.

The Galloo Island Wind Energy Project meeting is today.

The purchase of (4) 4 drawer file cabinets for the Village Office for a total of \$1,600 was approved in a motion made by Trustee Constance and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

Westelcom was approved as the office internet service provider in a motion made by Trustee Constance and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

Dave Altieri reported on the status of the outstanding grant proposals.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board acknowledged the receipt of the updated by-laws from the Housing Authority in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Constance. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

A Lease Agreement for \$1,100.00 per month was received from T-Mobile for a 15x10 piece of Village property to hold equipment related to their cell tower located on the Town's water tower on Dodge Ave. The Board approved the Mayor's signing of the lease as long it is consistent with legal and engineering recommendations in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Constance. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Constance inquired on the status of shared services with the Town and wanted to know if there had been any movement on the Sea Grant. He also would like more information on an energy project and is still interested in developing a strategic plan. He reported that the Marketing Committee had not met. He will be meeting with Gail Gorgen at the Visitor's Center to review the charges for use of their area and equipment. He reported that the Chamber of Commerce office space will be going into the Court Building. They have the Car Show coming up and the Chrome Divas the next weekend

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Trustee Frechette reported that the LDC had met to elect Mike Hoagland as President to replace Don DiMonda, who will be moving out of the area. The Committee has another micro-loan application that it will be considering. The Rec Committee meeting is coming up next week.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was approved in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Constance. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

A motion to sign the annual trial balance records was made by Trustee Constance and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

The bills on Abstract #3 with vouchers 101249 through 101355 were paid in a motion made by Trustee Constance and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Lonny Reinhardt, DPW Superintendent, recommended selling the old computer servers from the water meters program to the Computer Center. This was approved in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Constance. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

He reported that Corey Reid will be following up with WD Malone for the Main St. Project punch list. The DPW has rented a brush-hog to work on the LDC Property and will be billing the LDC for it.

Gail Gorgen, Visitor's Center, reiterated that she will be working with Trustee Constance to determine the plan for the use of the Gazebo.

Corey Reid, Village Engineer, reported that Sept. 7th is the due date for the water intake grant. The Seawall is under design and they are working on the DEC permit for it. He met with Lonny on General Smith Drive for the drainage problems they are having. He will be looking into options.

Dave Altieri, Heritage Area Director, reported that the attendance at the Pickering Beach Museum is almost twice what it was last year. He attributed it to Kelli Ritz's efforts. The Zoning Committee will meet on Thursday.

Janet Quinn, Planning Board Chair, reported that the August meeting has been switched to August 29th. Mayor Reilly pointed out that a number of unlicensed properties are being marketed as Air BnB's.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened for public comment at 7:50 pm.

Christine Grimes was concerned that a permanent alteration to the public parking on the corner of Ambrose St. and West Main St. was made without any prior notification to the local business owners and residents. She feels that this should not have been done without due process.

The meeting was adjourned in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Constance at 7:52 pm. Vote 3 ayes (Reilly, Frechette and Constance), 0 nays.

Minutes submitted by

Peggy Kelly
Village Clerk

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