

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees
September 10, 2019
Regular Meeting
112 N. Broad St.
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present: Mayor Eric Constance, Deputy Mayor Barbara Boulton, and Trustee James Bray. Absent: Trustee Dan Frechette. Also present: Treasurer Jim Yuhas. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Phillip Fay was appointed to the Board to fill the vacancy left when Trustee Constance was appointed Mayor in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 3 ayes (Constance, Boulton and Bray), 0 nays.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of the August 13, 2019 meeting were approved in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 3 ayes (Constance, Boulton and Bray), 0 nays, 1 abstained (Fay).

The minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting were approved in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 3 ayes (Constance, Boulton and Bray), 0 nays, 1 abstained (Fay).

MAYOR'S REPORT

Brian Schenk of Capital Solutions for Local Government, Pc made a presentation for the request that the Village act as the flow through entity for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to be used by the Anchor Restaurant to rebuild the shell of a building to replace their burned out property on East Main St. This would be completed and outfitted by them to re-open as a restaurant allowing them to re-employ their workers.

A motion was made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton allowing Mayor Constance to sign the agreement with Capital Solutions to pursue potential emergent funding through NYS Office of Community Renewal (CDBG). Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

Resolutions were made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Trustee Fay declaring 210 W Main St to be a dangerous building and that the condition of the premises constitutes an emergency situation because of its unsafe and dangerous condition. The Village Board appoints Mayor Eric Constance as certifying officer and authorizes him to sign any documentation required to complete the required environmental review. Vote: 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays in a roll call vote.

A public hearing is planned for the October 8, 2018 meeting at 6:30 pm.

Mayor Constance reported that he will be attending the meeting of the REDI Commission on September 12, 2019.

DANC reports were given to the Board.

He reported that our only probable option for a solar project is the BOCES project. The new Marketing Committee website is still not up.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:33 pm.

Randy Pitkin extended thanks to the Fire Department and the Police Department. They couldn't be more appreciative for the effort it took to save their building next door to the Anchor fire.

George McCullough cautioned the Board not to obligate the Village for any liability for the Anchor reconstruction. He also reported that the Fort Pike Park sign is in bad shape. He would like to have it sandblasted and repainted.

Public comment was closed at 7:42 pm.

OLD BUSINESS

The update on the Joint Parks and Recreation Committee has been delayed.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 3 of 2019, giving supervisory authority over the Police Department to the Deputy Mayor due to a possible conflict of interest that Mayor Constance

would have in that role, was introduced by Trustee Bray and seconded by Trustee Fay. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The sewer line hook-up in Madison Barracks for George McCullouch was discussed. The DPW will follow their procedure.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Boulton reported that the Library Quilt show will be the weekend of October 13, 2019. September is Library card sign up month and encourages everyone to sign up that doesn't have one. The Cemetery Committee will meet next month.

Trustee Bray expressed disappointment that some of the Zoning Re-write Committee changes have been at the lawyer's since January with no response from them. Mayor Constance will contact them. The Tree Committee is reviewing applications.

Mayor Constance assigned new **Trustee Fay** to work with the Marketing Committee, the Visitors Center, the Chamber of Commerce and the Solar Project.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The bills on Abstract 4 with vouchers 102325 through 102394 were paid in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The Town of Hounsfield water rate of \$4.00 per thousand gallons was approved in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray.

The updated salary sheet was approved in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

A Resolution was introduced by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton to add Mayor Eric Constance to the bank signature cards. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

A Resolution was introduced by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Fay to change the name of the Main St Checking Account to the Seawall/Intake Water Capital Checking Account and the Main Street Capital Savings Account to the Seawall/Intake Water Capital Savings Account. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

A motion was made to approve budget transfers by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

A motion was made to approve sending a letter to National Grid giving them notice that the Village intends to acquire a Pricing Proposal for LED Street Lights. The motion was made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The Harvest Fest Event Application was approved in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Lynn Martin, DPW Superintendent, reported that the DPW has been doing brush-hogging at the LDC property. The aqua dams will be removed on the 12th and 13th this month. Camp St and Wheat St have been repaved. The Girl Scouts will be doing a painted rock project at the Municipal Building.

Corey Reid, Village Engineer, reported that the CFA's were submitted in July. We should hear back on the WIIA Grants for the intake in December. The Port Study is due in this week from Moffitt and Nichols. The bid advertisement for phase 2 of the Market Square Park Project will go out September 19, 2019.

Dave Altieri, Heritage Area Director, reported that the Pickering Beach Museum did well with the new Director this year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:19 pm.

Tim Scee reported that the town assessor has requested that the property revaluation scheduled for this fall be postponed for two years because of the high water event damages to shore properties.

There was a motion to adjourn at 8:21 pm by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Fay. Vote 4 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

Minutes submitted by

Peggy Kelly
Village Clerk