

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees
October 8, 2019
Regular Meeting
112 N. Broad St.
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

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

Brian Schenk of Capital Solutions for Local Government gave a brief synopsis of the CDBG grant process for the Anchor Restaurant.

A public hearing was opened at 6:38 pm. George McCullough commented that he is totally in favor of this application. No other comments were offered and the public hearing was closed at 6:43 pm in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes from the September 10, 2019 meeting were approved as presented in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Trustee Fay. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Constance shared that he attended the REDI Commission meeting in September. The recommendations of the Commission will go to the Governor for a final decision. REDI applications for residents were shared with the Board. Residents should apply through Neighbors of Watertown.

The DANC report was distributed to the Board.

There may be another Community Development Block Grant application done for the Sackets Harbor Housing Authority through Snowbelt Housing for repairs to the Senior Housing Complex.

OLD BUSINESS

The Joint Rec Committee Update was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

The application referred from the Planning Board for the demolition of a shed in the National Historic Register District at 117 N Broad St for Dennis O'Brien was approved in Resolution 6 of 2019 presented by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The event application for The Children's Haunted Walk on October 25, 2019 was approved in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The event application for Whooville in the Harbor scheduled for December 13-15, 2019 was approved in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Boulton reported that the Library is hosting the quilt show this weekend. Whooville in the Harbor is looking for volunteers. The Marketing committee is continuing work on the new website and asks any business to send in photos. The Military Cemetery Committee will be meeting this month. There is work being done at the Cemetery that was not approved by the Board, Mayor Constance will call Tom Spencer.

Trustee Bray reported that the Zoning Re-write Committee did not meet this month. The Pickering Beach Museum is closed for the season. The Tree Committee is planting trees later this month.

Trustee Fay had no updates yet.

Trustee Frechette reported that he had been unable to attend the LDC Meeting. They are considering the request from the Sackets Harbor Area Cultural Preservation Foundation for the Stone Hospital repair. The American Battlefield Trust is requesting 38 acres of LDC land at fair market value to tie into the already existing Battlefield lands. The Joint Rec Committee has been working on phase 1 of the Baseball field project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:16 pm.

George McCullough reported that he has the Fort Pike Park signs and will be having them repainted. He also is concerned about the Lakeside Cemetery and the fence fund. He said there will be a meeting on the 28th at the town to discuss it.

John Kenna asked that someone look at the speeders on Dodge Ave.

Public comment was closed at 7:23 pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was accepted in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The bills listed on Abstract #5 with vouchers 102395 through 102477 were paid in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

Resolution 7 of 2019 for the purchase of Street Lights was approved in a resolution proposed by Trustee Bray and seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The Joint Rec financial report was given to the Board.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Lynn Martin, DPW Superintendent, reported that they will be setting a date for fall clean-up soon. He gave the Board an update on the future projects the Village will be facing.

Corey Reid, Village Engineer, spoke on the bid opening for phase 2 of the Market Square Park Paver Project. The 3 bids came in higher than expected so they plan to re-scope the project and put it back out to bid later.

Paul Trudeau, Police OIC, asked the Board to accept the resignation letters from Officers Mathew Vaughn, Jim Gould and Josh Rogers and approve the hiring of Nicholas Curtiss. This was done in a motion made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:47 pm.

Dave Altieri extended thanks to Lynn Martin and the DPW for the great job taking the tree down at the Bank Building after a recent wind storm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Fay. Vote 5 ayes (Constance, Boulton, Frechette, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

Minutes submitted by

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Village Clerk