

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees  
October 13, 2020  
Regular Meeting  
112 N. Broad St.  
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present: Mayor Eric Constance, Deputy Mayor Barbara Boulton, Trustee James Bray and Trustee Phillip Fay. Also Present: Treasurer Jim Yuhas.

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

The Board accepted with regret the resignation of Dan Frechette from the Board. He has moved out of the Village.

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the September 8, 2020 meeting were approved in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 4 ayes (Constance Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A letter was received from the NYS DEC notifying us that we did not receive a tree survey grant we applied for.

The DANC report was received for August 2020.

A letter was received from Dean DeVito with his concerns about the traffic pattern in the Woolsey St/school parking lot area. He suggested placing a berm along the side of the school parking lot.

Sacket Harbor Housing Authority shared their Board members list.

The new Solar Law is moving forward to the next step and is going to the lawyers for review.

Mayor Constance is meeting with Dave Altieri on Thursday for this.

The Brown Shores Road Project ground breaking went well, it is the first REDI project in the County.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting was opened to the public at 6:50 pm.

Jeff Gilbert had concerns about the short-term rentals provisions in the Zoning Law re-write project. This will be discussed when the Board begins their review and public hearings.

Public comment was closed at 6:51 pm.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Military Cemetery committee is still working on new regulations.

The LED Street Lighting proposal has been revised to exclude the lighting that the Village already owns. This gives the proposal a 9 year payback. There is some concern about assuming the replacement cost of the poles and lights in case of damage. The discussion was tabled until

the next meeting by Mayor Constance and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 4 ayes (Constance Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Chamber of Commerce submitted a Halloween Event application that involves closing Bayard St from West Main to Barn Alley. This 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.

### **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

**Deputy Mayor Boulton** reported that Mayor Constance did a great job at the ground breaking for Brown Shores and wanted to thank him for all of his efforts.

She reported that she had discussed with Kelly Reinhardt the possibility of the Village having a tree survey done, and also using the Village tree planting program in the Military Cemetery.

The Library's Quilt Show went well, with 115 maps handed out. They extended their thanks for the use of the Village Municipal Building.

**Trustee Bray** reported that the Tree Survey and Management Plans are costly but the committee will get a quote. Tree City signs will be ordered for the major Village entries.

The Pickering Beach Museum is closed for the year now.

**Trustee Fay** reported that the Visitors Center Manager, Gail Gorgen is still planning to retire after the beginning of the next season.

The Marketing Committee is looking into a new banner project featuring the war heroes of the Civil War and WWII.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report was accepted in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Trustee Fay. Vote 4 ayes (Constance Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The budget transfers were done in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Bray. Vote 4 ayes (Constance Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

The bills listed on Abstract #5 with vouchers 103278 through 103357 were paid in a motion made by Trustee Bray and seconded by Trustee Fay. Vote 4 ayes (Constance Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Lynn Martin, DPW Superintendent**, reported that there have been dumping issues at the recycle center.

Brown Shores Road may be opened for traffic next week, depending on the guard rail installation.

November 9-10 is the tentative date for leaf pick-up.

**Corey Reid, Village Engineer**, reported that we have received the Seawall project permits from the DEC and Army Corp. The Department of State permits are waiting for public comments but could possibly be issued this Friday.

The Market Square Park scope was approved by REDI with 1.4 million taken from the initial Brown Shore project and applied to the Market Square Park project. The SEQR may have to be redone for Market Square Park.

We have not heard back from FEMA on the Sheet Pile Wall.

Another IMA is needed with the Town of Hounsfield for the parking lot at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Alarm Building.

A tentative agreement has been worked out with the owner of the land adjacent to the Village Parking lot to expand the parking area. The State says the Village either needs to buy the land or have a permanent easement. An appraisal will have to be done.

**Dave Altieri, Heritage Area Director**, reported that the Pickering Beach Museum report will be ready for next month. The Visitors Center display panels will be ready by February or March. The PDD map for Madison Barracks is in the process of being updated.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting was opened for public comment at 7:48 pm.

Dean DeVito from the Chamber of Commerce requested \$500.00 for Christmas lights. This was already included in the budget and he will purchase them and the Village will reimburse him.

The Whooville decorations will be up between December 1-12.

The meeting was adjourned in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Fay at 7:52 pm. Vote 4 ayes (Constance Boulton, Bray and Fay), 0 nays.

Minutes submitted by

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