

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees  
July 11, 2023  
Regular Meeting  
112 N. Broad St.  
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present: Mayor Alex Morgia, Deputy Mayor Mark Pacilio, Trustee Ron Mildren, Trustee Kelly Sova and Trustee Gregg Townsend. Also present: Shannon Mason, Treasurer.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The public hearing for the Spectrum Northeast/Charter Communications Franchise Agreement was opened at 6:31 pm. No comments were offered.

**MINUTES**

The minutes from the June 13, 2023 Regular Meeting were approved in a motion made by Trustee Mildren and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pacilio. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report was accepted in a motion made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Mayor Morgia. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

The bills listed on Abstract #2 with vouchers V4000100 through V4000189 were paid in a motion made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Trustee Townsend. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

Budget Transfers were done in a motion made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Trustee Townsend. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

A motion was made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Mayor Morgia to move 1.25 million from Watertown Savings Bank to NY CLASS. This would leave 1.25 in WSB in a CD earning 4%, after confirmation in writing that there would be no penalties for early withdrawal. Vote: 4 ayes (Morgia, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 1 nay (Pacilio).

A motion was made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Trustee Mildren to allow the Sackets Harbor LDC to participate in NY CLASS with the Village. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Lynn Martin, DPW Suprintendent**, reported that the DPW will be moving forward on the walking trail behind Creekside Apartments.

The SCADA Services Agreement for purchase of new computers for the Water Treatment Plant and the Waste Water Treatment Plant was approved in a motion made by Mayor Morgia and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pacilio. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

The Kinsley Power emergency replacement of a pump at the West Main St lift station for \$3,249.22 was approved in a motion made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Trustee Townsend. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

The paving bid was given to the low bidder Paverite, Inc in a motion made by Trustee Sova and seconded by Trustee Townsend. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

**John Gleason, Police OIC**, submitted a written report. Chapin Alley is a one-way street that has had ongoing issues with people driving the wrong way. We will put in additional signage to make it more obvious.

**Dave Altieri, Heritage Area Director and Kathy Keating, Visitors Center Director**, submitted written reports. A resolution authorizing the submission of the CFA grant application was passed in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pacilio and seconded by Trustee Sova. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

The Visitors Center photography contract with Bori Photography was authorized in a motion made by Mayor Morgia and seconded by Trustee Townsend. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

**Brandon Sparacino and Corey Reid, BCA Engineers**, reported that \$96,451 was submitted to FEMA for funding. Lawman submitted \$97,077.86 to the Village for payment. The Harbor Master parking lot and the Third Alarm parking lot are mostly complete, the wiring and lighting for them are still to be done. Funding applications are being prepared for the remaining water/sewer upgrades in the Village.

**Paul Trudeau, Joint Rec Committee Chair**, was in attendance and reported that they had submitted a proposal on a possible dog park. They are hoping to have a coordinator for a Fall Bocce League. A group of parents will be starting a new soccer league this fall.

**Connie Barone, Village Historian**, submitted a written 6-month report.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

**Mayor Alex Morgia** reported that the Lawler's are making progress on the work required in the Lakeview Subdivision Infrastructure Agreement, but they are unlikely to meet the required completion date of August 1, 2023. The Board extended the deadline to September 1, 2023 in a motion made by Trustee Townsend and seconded by Mayor Morgia. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

**Deputy Mayor Mark Pacilio** shared updated policies with the board for their review before the next meeting. He reported that the Can-Am festival is in good shape for the weekend.

**Trustee Ron Mildren** attended the LDC's annual meeting. The current consensus of the LDC board is for the Village to retain the rights and ownership to the northern parcel. The southern parcel could be developed or sold.

He announced that the Volunteers of the Year are Dick and Jane Lawlee and the Citizen of the Year is Suzie Brockman.

**Trustee Kelly Sova** reported that the SHFD gave a \$1,000 scholarship to Gannon Brunet. The Garrett Loomis Foundation administered three \$1,500 scholarships to Gannon Brunet, Cameron

Derouin and Cooper Antinson. The fire department is looking into purchasing a boat trailer. There are community grants available from the Garrett Loomis Foundation and the LDC if organizations wish to apply to them.

**Trustee Gregg Townsend** met with Jen Gaffney at the SHCS to discuss the feasibility of a shared diesel fuel storage and pumping facility.

**Mayor Morgia** will be checking with Advanced Business System on security at the Pickering Beach Museum.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Franchise Agreement between the Village of Sackets Harbor and Spectrum Northeast/Charter Communications was passed in a Resolution introduced by Deputy Mayor Pacilio and seconded by Trustee Townsend. Vote: 5 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Mildren, Sova and Townsend), 0 nays.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:27 pm.

George McCullough commented on the use of the LDC property.

Jay Kramer would like to donate a sign for the Hamilton Street Park.

Craig Parker at Navy Point Marina reported several boaters looking for local dockage while the construction is ongoing at Market Square Park.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm with a motion made by Trustee Townsend and seconded by Mayor Morgia. Vote: 4 ayes (Morgia, Pacilio, Sova and Townsend), 1 nay (Mildren).

Minutes submitted by

Peggy Kelly  
Village Clerk