**VILLAGE OF VALATIE**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**June 08, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

**SENIOR CENTER DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING**

**Board members** **Audience**

Mayor Frank Bevens Randall Schmit, Lisa Hill

Trustee Sean Casey Craig Hancock, 4 residents

Trustee Larry Eleby

Trustee Angelo Nero

Trustee David Williams

Robert Fitzsimmons, Esq.

Barbara A. Fischer- Village Clerk

Mayor Bevens opened the meeting at 7:00 pm at the Senior Center followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Resolution # 1** was made by Trustee Williams to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2021. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #2** was made by Trustee Casey to approve the End of Year meeting minutes of May 25, 2021. Trustee Eleby seconded, all in favor, carried..

**Resolution # 3** was made by Trustee Nero to approve the abstract of bills #2021-1-#1-29 for a total of $78,464.02. The off abstract of vouchers totaled $2,703.87 making the total of all bills, $81,167.90. Trustee Casey seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Public Comments**- Some members of the Senior Group who regularly attended daily gatherings at the Senior Center, attended the meeting to inquire about the re-opening of the Senior Center since the Senior Center had been closed due to the pandemic. The Board had a lengthy discussion regarding the re-opening and all agreed to wait at least another month to see where the latest variant of the virus is headed. Most likely the Senior Center would re-open but it will be announced at the July 13th Board of Trustees meeting.

**Fire Department**- The report submitted by Chief Joe Loeffler, was for May and June 2021 and is on file in the Clerk’s Office.

There were 3 calls each in the month of May and the month of June which included a fire alarm activation at Barnwell. The annual Chassis & Pump servicing started this month and the fire department will be working with the Water Department to flush hydrants around the Village in August. An email blast will be sent out to all residents.

The department would like to purchase 13 new LED hand lights and 20 new LED helmet lights. Two quotes were received, one from NY Fire Equipment, LLC at $3,217.00 and the other from Heiman Fire at a cost of $4,602.30. They would also like to purchaser 20 STORZ Hydrant Adapters at a cost of $4,000.00 which was already put into the budget.

**Resolution # 4** was made by Trustee Eleby to allow the fire department to purchase 13 new LED hand lights and 20 new LED Helmet lights that were included in the budget already. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #5** was made by Trustee Williams to allow the fire department to purchase 20 STORTZ Hydrant adapters at a cost of $4,000. Trustee Casey seconded, all in favor, carried.

**VERA**- Randall Schmit stated that the Village Wide Tag Sale will take place on July 24th. Sign up sheets are at the Village office and Joan Gavigans’ Antique Store on Main Street.

**June Fest**- Lisa Hill announced that there will be a June Fest on Saturday, June 12th with lots of Main Street businesses taking part. Flyers are out and it will be on social media. Food vendors should also be available and they are still working out some details.

**Theater**- Craig Hancock stated that the Theater had their first performance last Sunday. They will be starting the normal Youth Theater Season soon for grades 3-8. “It’s a Wonderful Life” will be performed on December 3rd as of right now. They will be moving in music performances in slowly.

**Callan Park**- The playground equipment is now in and is being used a lot. The pavilion work is just beginning.

**Electric Contract**- On top of all the LED light savings we are seeing in the Village, we are now going to sign with a new electric savings company that partners with National Grid that will save approximately $4600 a year.

**Senior Center**-Possibly re-opening in July. A decision will be made at the July 13, 2021 Board meeting. Attorney Fitzsimmons stressed that everyone still wear masks. Asking anyone entering the building if they have been vaccinated, has been suggested to do.

The Board agreed that we need to look out for all residents in the Village and staff who will be entering the building. Irene Morrissey will be asked to run the Senior program again when the building re-opens.

**Building Department Report**- No report but the Building Inspector is very busy.

**WWTP Report**- (On file in the Clerk’s office) All routines have been completed as scheduled and all samples are within acceptable limits.

The well #4 pump and motor failed on May21st. After troubleshooting any electrical issues, Smith Well Drilling was called in and they determined that the pump and motor had failed. The pump and motor were replaced and the well is now up and running.

Quarterly meter readings have begun and all hydrant flags have been installed. Three curb stops have been repaired and Stuyvesant Mechanical replaced four more curb stops that were unable to be repaired in house. Two shutoffs were leaking and were repaired.

The fountain at the Martin H. Glynn Square has been repainted and sealed and NYSDEC will be doing an inspection of the Sewer Plant on June 10th.

It was reiterated that the Board needed to start thinking about ab exploratory well near Pumphouse 1directly behind the building, as recommended by Smith Well Drilling. The estimated breakdown of cost is $15,850.00 for Phases 1 and 2. A full report was provided by Smith Well Drilling.

**Resolution #6** was made by Trustee Eleby to allow the Water Department/Village Board, to hire Smith Well Drilling to install an 8” exploratory test well near Pumphouse 1 directly behind the building as recommended by Smith Well Drilling, LLC. Trustee Casey seconded the motion, all in favor, carried.

**Summer Program**- The Village will pay for 3 children to attend the Town Summer program this year at a cost of $450.

**Resolution # 7** was made by Trustee Williams to write a check for $450 to the Town of Kinderhook to pay for 3 Village children to attend the Town Summer Program. Trustee Casey seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Clerk’s Report**- Village Historian Dominic Lizzi, nominated the Village Clerk for the 2021 General Code Municpal Clerk’s Honor Roll. This Honor Roll was created 20 years ago to give Municipal Officials, fellow Clerks and community residents a chance to recognize individual Municipal Clerks from across the nation for a job well done. The Village Clerk received a Certificate of Recognition from our area.

A motion is needed to appoint the Deputy Clerk Erin Brady as an Assistant Registrar of Vital Statistics.

**Resolution #8** was made by Trustee Casey to appoint Deputy Clerk Erin Brady as an Assistant Registrar of Vital Statistics. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

Applications for use of the MHG building are still on hold this month.

**Resolution # 9** was made by Trustee Eleby to enter into executive session to discuss the Calcagno Project and a parking lot lease at 7:43 pm. Trustee Casey seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #10** was made by Trustee Eleby to exit executive session at 8:25 pm. Trustee Nero seconded, al in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 11** was made by Trustee Eleby to amend a previous motion made at a prior Board meeting, to allow the use of a centralized utility for the Calcagno water and sewer project. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

Attorney Fitzsimmons commented that he had reviewed the Building Code updates for finalization. A Public Hearing will need to be done to propose Local Law #2 for 2021 for the Building Code updates/finalization. The public hearing will be scheduled before the July meeting. The building code is currently on eCode360.

With no further business to discuss,

**Resolution # 12** was made by Trustee Eleby to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Fischer

Village Clerk/Treasurer