Village of Valatie Board Meeting

December 10, 2013

Approved Minutes

**Parties Present Absent**

Mayor Argyle Tr. Bickerton

Tr. Bevens (late arrival)

Tr. Nero

Tr. Williams

Robert Fitzsimmons

2 members of the press

2 Guest speakers

**Regular Village Board Meeting**

Mayor Argyle opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

Pledge to the Flag

**Public Comment**: NONE

***Opening of Bids for 3053 Main & Spring Street***: Received one bid

1. Nick Becker $11,552.00

**Motion,** Tr.Williams to accept bid for $11,552.00, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Absent

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

***Presentation by Delaware Engineering***

* Board agrees to move forward with screening.
* Requested separate contract for screening and additional work to be completed on the building.
* Discussion of water testing results and its impact.

**MINUTES** for November 12, 2013 meeting tabled**.**

**Motion,** Tr.Williams audit meeting conducted, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

**Motion**, Tr. Williams approves paymentof claims 2014-07-01 to 2014-07-40, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

**Committee Reports:**

***Fire Department Report*** – 4 calls last month

***Theater Report*** – No Report

***Building Dept****.* – No Report

**DPW *Report*** – No report

***Trash Pick-Up*** - Had 47 drop offs and 36 senior pick-ups for clean-up day.

***VERA*** –Tr. Bevens read a letter provided by President Randall Schmitt whom was unable to attend.

* Aggressively working on the Winter Walk, December 14th, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm.
* Thanked the Board for the support and work put into putting this Winter Walk together.
* President Schmitt will be unable to attend the Winter Walk. Vice President Amy Freinberg-Trufas will be in charge. Tr. Bevens is heading the parade.

***Parks Report*** –

***Water/Sewer -*** Mayor Argyle provided a verbal report provided by Paul Warner.

* + Our capacity is declining on Well #2. Repairs were completed in summer but there are still additional repairs that need to be made to get the well to its potential capacity.
  + Smith Well drilling did the initial repairs this summer and have given the Village a quote of $8720.00 to complete.

**Motion,** Tr.Williams to accept bid for $8720.00, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Absent

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

**Motion,** Tr.Williams to purchase uniforms for the water/sewer personnel thru G & K services, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Yes

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

***Applications for the Gym:*** Girl Scout troop requested a room for every other Wednesday to hold meeting between 4:30 to 6:00 pm.

**Motion,** Tr.Williams to allow Girl Scouts use of room in Martin H. Glynn Municipal Building, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Absent

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

***Senior Center:*** A letter was received from the Tri-Village Rotary Club requesting use of the senior center for Saturday morning pancake breakfast fundraiser in January or February. All of the proceeds would benefit local charities.

* Mayor Argyle is concerned about request due to the problems that arose a few years back with New York State concerning the particular uses of the building.

**Motion,** Tr.Williams to allow rotary use of senior center for fundraising breakfast conditional upon Mayor Argyles finding with NYS, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Absent

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

***AT&T Contract:*** Our AT &T contract is up for renewal in March 1, 2014. We have received a proposed contract with three options:

1. 10 year guaranteed rent

2. Same yearly rent (5 year)

3. Lease purchase (lump sum)

**Motion,** Tr.Nero to continue the AT&T contract under option #2 (5 years, $31,314.55 annually), seconded by Tr. Williams, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Absent

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

Short discussion concerning applying this annual rental income to Water Fund instead of General Fund. Board decided to have income continually applied to the General Fund.

**Energy:** Mayor Argyle was approached to look into other agencies for energy; one being Viridian. The board has decided to look into different options and plan to have a representative from Viridian and other agency’s attend Board meetings and give presentation what their companies have to offer.

**Village Health Insurance:** The Board was presented with different Health Insurance Renewal Plans by the UPSEU.

**Motion,** Tr.Nero to accept Health Plan through CDPHP, seconded by Tr. Williams, all members present voted yes.

Mayor Argyle Yes

Tr. Bevens Yes

Tr. Bickerton Absent

Tr. Nero Yes

Tr. Williams Yes

**Motion**, Tr. Nero to adjourn meeting to executive session at 8:58pm, seconded by Tr. Williams, all members present voted yes.

**Motion**, Tr. Nero to adjourn executive session at 9:07pm, seconded by Tr. Bevens, all members present voted yes.

**Motion**, Tr. Bevens to adjourn meeting at 9:08pm, seconded by Tr. Nero, all members present voted yes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Martino-Morin

Village Clerk