**VILLAGE OF VALATIE**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**December 12, 2017**

**7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT**  **AUDIENCE**

Mayor Diane Argyle Chief Rustin Dolan

Trustee Frank Bevens 1st Asst. Chief Joe Loeffler

Trustee Larry Eleby Randall Schmit- VERA

Trustee Angelo Nero Carol Williams

Trustee David Williams

Robert Fitzsimmons, Esq.

Mayor Argyle opened the meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Resolution #63** was made by Trustee Bevens to approve the November 14, 2017 minutes as presented. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #64** was made by Trustee Bevens to approve claims 2017-7-290-345, for a total of $58,500.63 (which includes a BOND payment of $6,603.53) and $7,566.58 for off abstract bills for a total of $66,067.21. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Public Comment**- There were no comments.

**Fire Dept**

There were 12 calls for the month of November. Members completed annual OSHA training and Bail Out drill training.

There was a Special meeting with the Village Engineer to discuss the floor design of the fire house. We need to go out to bid to bid in February for work to start in April. The ladder truck is having some warranty work done for the paint on the truck. The truck will be out of service for 3-4 months due to work being done for the fire house floor.

**Other business-.**

A request was received by the new owners of the Valatie Bar and Grill to have the liquor license 30 day waiting period waived since there will not be a change in type of business.

**Resolution # 65** was made by Trustee Nero to waive the 30 day waiting period for a liquor license for the new owners of the Valatie Bar and Grill. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**V.E.R.A.-** Randal Schmit reported that Santa Claus greeted children at the Valatie Theater during Winter Walk again this year. Everything went very well and the parade was well received with many floats and fire trucks. There are a good assortment of pictures of Winter Walk.

**Theater**- no report

**Sidewalks**- The Board will need to adopt a section in the code to have signs placed on the trash bins on Main Street stating no household garbage. A public hearing will need to be set for the next meeting.

The Village Board and the Town Board have been asked to put an ice rink in next to the Martin H. Glynn Building near the playground. Both Boards have agreed to the request. Board members have agreed to offer $1000 or the usual 38% that we normally pay towards items for the MHG building. Niverville Fire Company will fill the rink with water and the insurance company will be notified for liability insurance which the Town will bare most of the responsibility.

**Parks-** A hunter was caught by NYS DEC hunting illegally at Pachaquack Park. The hunter cut the locks and a neighbor has pictures of the person with a deer and taking Village posted signs down.

**Solar Report**- Trustee Eleby reported that there is no news yet but there will be another meeting on December 28th at 2:00 pm with Robyn Reynolds.

**Water/Sewer Dept**.- (Full report on file in Clerk’s Office.) There is no new information yet on wells #3 & #4. A letter was received from Smith Well Drilling regarding well #4-on file in the clerk’s office. Replacement LED lights have been ordered for the plant.

**Clerk’s Office**- Shredding ends on December 14th. The clerks attended an update meeting for the BAS tax program at 401 State Street in Hudson and attended a webinar for elections conducted by NYCOM. Election day is March 20, 2018 and there are two Trustee positions up. Letters will be sent asking for election inspectors. A new copier is need for the office as the old one is about to give out. Bernie Babendrier will be consulted on getting a new one and to set it up.

**Senior Center**- The Board received a quote from Don Mackey on replacing the lights in the parking lot at the Senior Center. The procurement policy will need to be reviewed for the dollar amount and to see if a phone quote will be sufficient. Trustee Williams suggested that the Board try to get another quote as well.

**Highway Dept**.- no report.

**Building Dept.-** There was more discussion regarding building code violations if homeowners do

not comply. The Sheriff Deputies can issue a summons to the homeowner and then they would go to

court. A second building officer could also be appointed by the Village.

**Water/Sewer forgiveness-** none

**Resolution # 66** was made by Trustee Williams to send out shut off notices for non- payment of water/sewer for the last two billing periods. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried**.**

**Applications for MHG/ Callan Park**-

1. AARP- Tax preparation

**Resolution #67** was made by Trustee Williams to approve the application for use of the MHG building. Trustee Eleby seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 68** was made by Trustee Williams to authorize Smith Well Drilling to replace a pump, motor, drop pipe, wire and labor for well #4 for a total cost of $12, 475.00 and to authorize possible alterations to the electrical motor starter in the pump house if needed at an additional cost to be determined. Trustee Eleby seconded, all in favor, carried.

With no further business to discuss,

**Resolution #69** was made by Trustee Eleby to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A Fischer, RMC

Village Clerk/Treasurer