**VILLAGE OF VALATIE**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2016**

**Present** **Audience**

Mayor Diane Argyle Randall Schmit- V.E.R.A.

Trustee Frank Bevens 1st Asst. Chief Rustin Dolan

Trustee Angelo Nero 1 resident

Trustee Philip Bickerton 2 Reporters

Trustee David Williams

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

**Resolution #216** was made by Trustee Bevens to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2016 meeting. Trustee Bickerton seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #** 217 was made by Trustee Williams to pay claims #2016-5-272-310 for a total of

$32, 796.51 and off abstract bills of $2,496.27 for a total of $35,292.78 for all bills. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Public Comment**-

Mayor Argyle congratulated Trustee Phil Bickerton in his election win to the Town of Kinderhook Board.

Mayor Argyle appointed resident Larry Eleby to fill the unexpired trustee position. Mr. Eleby was a member of the Planning Board and has lived in Valatie since 1991. He will join the Board at the January Board of Trustees meeting and if he so chooses, he will have to run in the next Village election to be held in March.

**Fire Department**-(report on file in the Clerk’s Office)

Assistant Chief Dolan reported that there were 4 alarms during the month of October. The Chassis service and DOT inspections have been completed on the 3 engines. The ladder truck will be next to go for the annual inspection and for service. He “Thanked” everyone who supported the annual Halloween Party and the Veteran’s Day Chicken BBQ. Annual OSHA, HazMat and other required training had been completed on November 5th. Mandatory Bail-out training is scheduled for December 12th.

Mayor Argyle would like to appoint Mr. Dolan to the Village Planning Board and to attend his first meeting on December 7th.

**Theater**-

There is no update on the removal date for the trailer behind the Theater. Dr. Baillargeon did not attend this meeting.

**Parks**-

The bathrooms have been closed for the winter. The winter hours for use of the parks are 6:00 am- 6:00 pm.

**Water/Sewer**- (report on file in Clerk’s Office)

Paul Warner submitted an opinion and review to the Board concerning the Village of Kinderhook sewage meter issue. This will be referred to the Engineer.

A quote was received from Smith Well Drilling regarding Water Supply Test

Boring and Testing Costs.

**Resolution # 218** was made by Trustee Bickerton to accept the work and estimates from Smith Well Drilling. (A copy of the estimates are on file in the clerk’s office attached to minutes). Trustee Bevens seconded all in favor, carried.

**V.E.R.A.-**

Small Business Saturday will take place on Saturday, November 26th.

Chairman Randall Schmit presented a budget for this year’s Winter Walk to be held on December 10th. (On file in Clerk’s Office). The total cost is $3,345 less than last year. Nancy Kelly will be the Grand Marshall of the parade this year.

**Resolution #219** was made by Trustee Bevens to accept this year’s budget for Winter Walk. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Clerk’s Office**-

The clerk will be looking into getting help from NY State Archives to acquire some grant funding for various projects in the Village Office. There will be a Village Clerk’s meeting to be held at the Village Hall in Colonie. Garbage pick-up will be moved to Friday, November 25th due to Thanksgiving.

The Clerk received Registered Municipal Clerk status from the New York State City and Village Clerk’s.

**Resolution #220** was made by Trustee Bickerton to “Amend the Project Finance Agreement dated as of December 29, 2011 to extend the maturity date of the Recipient Note in order to allow time for the Recipient to complete and/or finalize Project Closeout” for the New York State Clean Water Revolving Fund. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Other business**-

Mayor Argyle will order 4 more garbage cans for Main Street.

**Cell Sites**- Tabled for more information.

**Senior Housing Law**-

Rob Fitzsimmons will refer to the Columbia County Planning Board for their next meeting on December 20th. A Public Hearing will take place at the January Planning Board meeting.

**Resolution #221** was made by Trustee Bickerton to refer the Senior Housing Law as well as No parking on Patton Lane and the Trailer law to the Columbia County Planning Board. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #222** was made by Trustee Bevens to approve a one year Highway Contract with the Town of Kinderhook for a total of $107,400 which will go into effect in June of 2017. Trustee Bickerton seconded, all in favor, carried.

A quote was received from Donald Mackey to replace lights in Little Falls at a cost of $1600.00.The Board would like to get more quotes and they are also looking into adding more lights in Holly Hills.

**Building Dept**.- Report on File in Clerk’s Office

**Water /Sewer**-

A certified letter will be sent to each resident who is in jeopardy of having their water shut off for non- payment of more than two quarters.

**Resolution #223** was made by Trustee Nero to send out certified letters to those residents who have not paid their water bill in at least two billing cycles according to Local Law 127.7-17B. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

Attorney Paul Freeman will now represent the Village in the Energy Onyx matter.

**MHG**-

The following have applied for use of the MHG Building:

1. Family Resource Center of Col. County- A dance for preschoolers and toddlers in the Gym on December 10th from 2-5 pm.
2. Girl Scouts- Daisy Meetings on Mondays-(list given)

**Resolution #224** was made by Trustee Nero to approve both applications, Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 225** was made by Trustee Bevens to allow Don Mackey to re-arrange the storage room in the basement and toss unwanted/broken items. Trustee Bickerton seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 226** was made by Trustee Bickerton to appoint Rustin Dolan to the Village Planning Board. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 227** was made by Trustee Bickerton to enter into executive session at 7:58 pm. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #228** was made by Trustee Nero to exit out of executive session with no motions being made at 8:17 pm. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

With no further business to discuss,

**Resolution #229** was made by Trustee Bevens to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm. Trustee Bickerton seconded, all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Fischer, RMC

Village Clerk