

Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2020

Regular meeting

Village of Mohawk Board of Trustees

Meeting called to order by Mayor Baron at 6pm, opened with the pledge.

Attending on roll call: Mayor Baron, Trustees: Cryer, Tubia, & Eisenhut, & Watkins, Attorney Manne, MPD Chief Malone, Clerk-Treasurer Joni LaBarge present via phone due to quarantine.

Attorney Manne:

Todd Phillips purchase offer for a small section of land next to his property on New York Street – came back in suitable form for an offer of \$300. Motion to accept offer and allow Mayor to sign documents: Tubia, Second: Watkins. All in favor none opposed.

We closed back in August on the parcel of land that Franks Auto purchased from the Village – forgot to give check to the Village for deposit. Attorney Manne provided check tonight.

Chief Malone:

Presented to the board his monthly report. Shop with a Cop will be happening on 12/16; they received a \$1000 grant to participate in this program.

Noted that there is a MPD bill for Walmart for masks – they are no longer able to obtain the free masks from NYS.

Town of German Flatts Courts are closed until February 5, 2021.

Notice of Claim was received by Peter Morgan. He is representing himself in this matter. Insurance company has been put on notice. The officer named in the claim had the body cam on the entire length of the incident.

Other business discussed by Mayor and Board:

Mayor Baron stated that due to the holidays and current COVID-19 situation that is on-going that the Village Board meeting scheduled for 12/28/2020 will be cancelled. We will resume on January 11th with our normal meeting schedule.

There was a very small incident with the MFD – long term member Bob Lalonde backed MFD vehicle into a stop sign during a call. There was no damage to the vehicle or property damage to report. Mayor was unable to secure a drug testing due to COVID, however Mr. Lalonde is a reputable person and there was no concern regarding this incident.

Trustee Tubia posed question – if a MFD member is exposed during a call to COVID will the village cover the cost of the test? Attorney Manne stated that if there are symptoms at the time of the test, this should be covered by their own insurance. However mask and social distancing are being practiced during calls, so this should result in minimum exposure.

Trustee Cryer reported: MMC Sewer project is ongoing, work is happening near sewer plant.

Letter was sent to the current owners of the Countryman home (located at 32 Firman St) to see if they would be interested in selling. This would be under the Minnowbrook creek project that is in the process.

2021 Meeting schedules presented to the board. Motion to approve: Tubia, Second: Watkins.

Discussion on travel mileage policy – do we have an official policy? Attorney Manne stated that he does not have a copy if we do have one, but will draft something. Board noted that we pay the

standard state rate for mileage that is listed on the IRS website. Clerk will research to see if able to locate an official policy.

Clerk-Treasurer: received phone call late this afternoon from Library Commission President Joan McCumber – they were notified that a patron that was in the library on 12/8 has tested positive for COVID. She would like to have the board discuss and let her know what to do. Per board, wait to see if they get a call from the health department with direction and go from there.

Meeting minutes from November 23, 2020: Motion to approve: Eisenhut, Second: Cryer.

Financials:

P&L reviewed and signed

Approval & signed of General Fund & Capital Funds Abstract dated December 14, 2020

Motion: Trustee Eisenhut - Second: Trustee Cryer

Meeting was adjourned at 6:17pm, Motion: Trustee Watkins; Second: Trustee Cryer

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