

PRESENT: Mayor Eagan; Trustees Norton, Watson, LaChapelle & Putorti; Dana Grant; Chief Buxton; Sargeant Mattison: John Panetta; EJ Conzola; Joe LaMay; Jeff Thomas; Nancy McGrath; Diane Petryk arrived at 6:08pm.

John Panetta discussed the County Code Enforcement Officer John Graham is working on getting an appearance ticket issued for his neighbor on Mountain Street. Nancy McGrath asked if there is a limit to the number of cats & dogs a person can have in their possession. Joe LaMay wants to know what is going to be done about the continuous sewage issue on his property on Williams Street and his ongoing claim against the Village. Jeff Thomas concurred with what Joe LaMay stated about the continuous sewage issue which is also on his property on Williams Street. Dana Grant mentioned the traffic flow for the upcoming Sasquatch Festival. He also commented on the brightness of the new vape shops sign. Diane Petryk wanted to know what happened to the planning board. She also wanted the benches in Riverside Park put back in the shade.

Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2023 regular board meeting, the August 30, 2023 DPW meeting and the August 30, 2023 special meeting, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

LETTERS: Multiple letters received from Charter Communications regarding upcoming programming deletions, additions & changes. Letter received from the United States Department of the Interior Fish & Wildlife Service advising the 2023 treatment schedule for application of the lampricides to certain Lake Champlain tributaries as part of a program of sea lamprey control. Letter received from New York State of Opportunity Homes and Community Renewal regarding the Comprehensive Monitoring Report for NYS CDBG Project #1249ED931-19. Motion made by Trustee Putorti, seconded by Trustee Watson to accept the correspondence and to place it on file, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

BILLS: Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to approve payment of the abstract covering claims #24-00217-24-00219, 24-00228- 24-00232 and 24-00235-24-00282 totaling \$254,596.24, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

REPORTS: Report received for Justice Thomas Nichols for August 2023 totaling \$2,550.00. Report received for Justice Robert Putorti Jr for August totaling \$0. Report received from Chief Buxton outlining incidents, arrests & traffic tickets. He also mentioned Officer Greco's upcoming resignation, exact date forthcoming. Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to accept the reports and to place them on file, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

APPLICATIONS: Application received from Jessie Neddo for the position of Zoning and Compliance Officer. Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to accept the application and to place it on file, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

Mayor Eagan advised the board that we received two sealed bids to buy the Village Police Departments phased out Glock service pistols. One bid from Bigboy's Guns LLC for \$1,628.00 and one bid from Doc's sales & service for \$1,550.00. Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to accept the bid from Big Boy's Guns LLC for \$1,628.00, Trustee Norton and Putorti abstained, all others voting in favor, **CARRIED**

Mayor Eagan advised the board that we have received one sealed fuel bid from Lake Champlain Coal Company for \$.28 margin over rack. Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to accept the fuel bid from Lake Champlain Coal Company for \$.28 margin over rack, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

Mayor Eagan discussed the preferred name and pronoun policy presented to the Village by the Village Attorney Matt Fuller. This NYS Public Service Law requires all municipalities to provide applicants and customers of residential utility services including water and sewer with an option to request the use of a preferred name and/or preferred pronoun in all written or oral communications. Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to adopt the Preferred Name and Pronoun Policy, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

Mayor Eagan asked the Board for permission to allow the School to have their annual homecoming parade on October 19, 2023 at 6pm. Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to allow the School to hold the annual homecoming parade on October 19, 2023 at 6pm, all voting in favor, **CARRIED**

Trustee Norton mentioned gates are being taken out of the lagoon that are not in use, tanks are being cleaned, compressors are being serviced, the Department of Health was here doing monthly samples around the Village, Hour Electric is rebuilding some actuators, two actuators on a skid have been changed, the tank level transmitter was replaced and Hach was here to calibrate the turbidity meters,

Trustee Putorti advised he had another conversation with Javier Minor-Perez at 134 Broadway regarding the ongoing fence issue. He also mentioned there are less cars on the lawn at 71 Poultney Street and that the recreation center parking lot is going to be striped.

Trustee LaChapelle mentioned the good job the police department is doing.

Trustee Watson advised that the DPW has been fixing signs, cold patching, cutting down limbs, fixing water meters, fixing a water leak on Smith street, fixing lights on Main Street and hopefully they will be starting black topping. He got a quote for a bedliner and undercoating totaling \$1,300.00 for the new truck.

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to have a new bedliner and undercoating put on the new truck at a cost of \$1,300.00, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to convene into executive session at 7:18pm to discuss specific personnel, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Norton to end executive session at 8:03pm and re-convene into regular session, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Mayor Eagan discussed a water bill adjustment request received from Dave Singh who owns Singh Renovations LLC. He owns 23 Boardman Street. He advised that the Village had the wrong mailing address on the account therefore he had not gotten any bills since the purchase of the property in October 2022. Based on a property transfer we received from Washington County, Singh Renovations LLC purchased the property on 11/23/22. He stated that a former employee who had keys to the property and an accomplice had been squatting at the property. He stated they had been posing as one of the owners of Singh Renovations LLC. The Village office spoke to one of them who requested the water bill be sent to the service address. They had come into the office to have the water turned on, then 23 days later they called and stated the meter was leaking and water was running into the basement.

Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to deny an adjustment to the water but agreed to adjust the sewer for \$442.29 which was the amount of sewer charges from the 06/15/23 bill, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Julie VanGuilder
Deputy Clerk