

Village Board Special Meeting was held on June 27, 2023 at 7pm

Present: Deputy Mayor Timothy Knight

Trustees: Amanda Fernandez, Robert Tinker, Sheryl Adams

Also present: Clerk Laraway, Attorney Fred Mauhs

Deputy Mayor Knight called meeting to order at 7:00 PM with Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Fernandez to approve purchase of a 2023 Ford F550 with dump body. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Knight gave update on Clauverwie sidewalk: Talked with Delaware Engineering about engineering plans for sidewalk, at a cost of \$1,500. Total project is projected to cost in the ballpark of \$20,000. Delaware will work with Schoharie County, and Village Attorney Mauhs to get easements, crosswalks, and signage for project. Project out to bid this fall for work to start in the spring. Trustee Adams made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tinker to approve Delaware Engineering cost of \$1,500 to do engineering plans for sidewalk. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams to enter into executive session at 7:07pm to discuss litigation. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams to enter back into regular session at 7:25pm. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Whiteman, Osterman & Hanna LLP rescinded offer to represent Village due to conflict of interest. Deputy Mayor Knight made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tinker to hire Young Sommer LLP to represent Village in Stewart's litigation at a rate of \$225 per hour and \$5,000 for a retainer. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Knight read letter from newly formed Middleburgh Village Oktoberfest Association: Letter stated members of the Association are William Morton, Rich Hamm, Donald Guest Jr., and the other two positions will be filled by Village Board Members. Association requested the Village formally acknowledge the Association and that any funds already allocated to the Oktoberfest be transferred to the Association, and that the two remaining members be named.

Deputy Mayor Knight presented Resolution #4 2023 Authorizing the Middleburgh Village Oktoberfest Association. Resolution acknowledges Association, also allocates all funds raised as a result of the 2022 Oktoberfest be transferred to Middleburgh Village Oktoberfest Association, and appoints Deputy Mayor Knight and Trustee Adams as the two Village Board members to serve on committee. Deputy Mayor Knight made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tinker to approve Resolution #4 2023 as presented. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams to schedule a special meeting for Monday, July 24th, 7:00 PM at the Middleburgh Fire Department to meet with the Fire Department's Executive Committee to discuss a new Fire Contract. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Fernandez gave JRC update: JRC discussed crack in new toilet (Deputy Mayor Knight stated it is just the base bolts and a non-issue); Hole in pool cover needs repairing (Deputy Mayor Knight stated he is working on repair); Crew drained water on grass and it has yellowed (Deputy Mayor Knight stated he has informed the crew); JRC discussed having Village reimburse lifeguard for their WSI, lifeguard, and CPR courses. Trustee Fernandez made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Knight to approve reimbursement upon completion of season. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Fernandez to adjourn at 8:07 pm. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by,
Melanie Laraway, Clerk.