Village Board Meeting May 26, 2021, 6:00pm Village Municipal Center

Annual Year-End Appropriations Meeting

Attendance: Village Board: Mayor Paul Labas, Deputy Mayor Gordon Smith Jr., Trustees Dean Hyatt, Dan Brown, and Lisa Ackert

Village Key Staff: DPW Superintendent Scott Mackey, Ass't Sup't Josh Hayes, and Clerk-Treasurer Rick Roberts

Press: None

Others: None

Mayor Labas led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the Meeting to Order at 6:00pm.

<u>Ratify Meeting Minutes</u>: Deputy Mayor Smith moved ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting of May 3<sup>rd</sup> as circulated. Trustee Brown seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>Appropriations</u>: The following claims were submitted to the Board for review and in consideration of payment:

General Fund: \$15,383.60 Sewer Fund: \$405.74

Unaudited

Vouchers: \$1,356.00

Total Claims: \$17,145.34

The Board audited the claims and Deputy Mayor Smith moved their approval for payment. Trustee Ackert seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>Budget Transfers</u>: The Clerk-Treasurer circulated a memo outlining several recommended budget transfers to avoid overdrawing any individual line items in the funding of this evening's appropriations and/or the year-end accruals:

Acct # Account Title	<u>Change</u>	Reason
General Fund		
A11101 Village Court (Pers. Serv.)	+\$1,500.00	Additional Court Security, COVID
A16204 Mun. Center (Cont. Exp.)	+\$1,375.00	Additional Cleaning, COVID
A90308 FICA Taxes	+\$1,625.00	Retirement of DPW Sup't
A95509 Capital Projects	-\$4,500.00	Cure above shortfalls

Following a brief period of discussion, Trustee Hyatt moved that the budget transfers be approved. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Briefing—NYS Utility Termination Moratorium Law: Mayor Labas briefly reviewed the Utility Termination Moratorium Law as enacted on May 11<sup>th</sup> by the Governor/Legislature. This Law prohibits the Village from relevying outstanding balances for Water Service onto Village Tax Bills as per longstanding past practice. The Mayor stated that while he is sympathetic to those who have been affected negatively from a financial perspective thru the pandemic, he feels that this legislation is relatively late in coming and that it may well cause issues for our constituents if they do not pay the balances owed, as Municipalities will have to execute a "double relevy" in 2022. The Mayor asked the Village Clerk to provide additional information to the Board. The Clerk presented NYCOM's informational briefing and advised that he would be willing to provide additional information to the Press in an effort to educate our constituents, with the Board's approval. The Mayor agreed that this would be a good idea and asked the Clerk to prepare a summary for the June 7<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

Trustee Hyatt moved that the Board convene an Executive Session at 6:15 to consider a matter pertaining to the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation pertaining to the Dept. of Public Works. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Trustee Hyatt moved that the Board return to regular session at 6:45pm. Trustee Brown seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Mayor advised that no decisions were made during the Executive Session.

There being no other business, Deputy Mayor Smith moved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:45pm. Trustee Brown seconded the motion and it carried without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard H. Roberts Village Clerk-Treasurer