

**Village Board Meeting**  
**July 10, 2023, 7:00pm**  
**Village Municipal Center**

Attendance: Village Board: Mayor Paul Labas, Deputy Mayor Gordon Smith Jr., Trustees Dean Hyatt, and Denise Davies; absent Trustee Dan Brown

Village Key Staff: Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Josh Hayes, Local Ordinance Officer Curtis Pedone, Fire Chief Michael Zinn, Ass't Fire Chief Keith Seebode, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Dee Scarlotta and Clerk-Treasurer Rick Roberts

Press: Mr. Doug LaRocque, NYVT Media

Others: Dr. Roger Ellis and Mr. Erik Pekar

Mayor Labas led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the Meeting to Order at 7:00pm.

Ratify Meeting Minutes: Trustee Hyatt moved ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting of June 5<sup>th</sup> as posted to the Village website. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Monthly Reports: The Mayor reviewed the following monthly reports with the Board: Water Dept. (3 samples, all satisfactory), Village Court, Fire Dept., Police Dept, Dog Control, and Local Ordinance Officer. Deputy Mayor Smith moved acceptance of the reports as submitted. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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

General Fund:	\$114,863.93
Water Fund:	\$19,612.99
Sewer Fund:	\$14,258.17
Senior Shuttle:	\$29,600.05
Unaudited	
Vouchers:	<u>\$10,187.77</u>

Total Claims: \$188,513.91

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

Open Sealed Bids—Municipal Center Central A/C: The Mayor advised that there was a single sealed bid received for the replacement of a Central Air Unit for the Village Municipal Center. An advertisement for bids had been placed in the Official Village Newspaper. Mayor Labas opened the bid and read it aloud:

\*Third Generation Plumbing & Heating: \$16,201.69

The Board briefly discussed the bid. They noted that the unit would be replaced with a heat pump, which represents the latest technology and should save the Village money in heating costs in the shoulder months. The Board concluded that the pricing provided was favorable. Trustee Hyatt then moved acceptance of the bid, and award of the contract. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ratify Trustees—Pember Library (3): Mayor Labas reviewed a memo received from Pember Library President Mary King concerning the vacancies seen in the Pember Library Board. The recommended candidates for a three-year term through 2026 are as follows:

- \*Maria Hyatt
- \*Nancy Labate-Bixby
- \*Mary King

Trustee Davies moved ratification of the candidates as recommended. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried 3-0 with Trustee Hyatt abstaining.

Resolutions—Grant Applications (2): The Mayor circulated two (2) draft Resolutions to the Board concerning authorization to apply for grant funding. Each of the two suggested grants are “planning” grants—one to formulate a master plan for the Mettowie Park, the other to commission a feasibility study for Main Street Revitalization/Development. The Mayor commented that each of these grants represents the next step in pursuing larger sums of money to affect the changes. The Board briefly discussed the proposed Resolutions. Following the discussion period, Trustee Hyatt moved ratification of both Resolutions to provide the Mayor with authorization to proceed. Each of the Resolutions carried unanimously via roll call vote. The Mayor thus declared the Resolutions to be duly adopted.

Mayor’s Reports (Revisit Block Party Request): The Mayor advised that he had just one matter to discuss with the Board, namely the review of the request seen last month for a Block Party on Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. He advised that the event organizer had agreed to address the Board’s concerns relating to hours, handicap parking, restrooms, etc. and that she was seeking to have the Board reconsider her request at this time. The Board briefly discussed the proposal and was generally supportive of the proposed program. Following the discussion period, Deputy Mayor Smith moved approval of the request as submitted, with the adjusted time, restrooms, etc. Trustee Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Authorize Advertisements for Sealed Bids (3): Mayor Labas asked the Board’s pleasure concerning a request from the Village Engineers to advertise for bids concerning equipment & electrical upgrades to two (2) sewer lift/pump stations. This work would be completed utilizing existing grant monies leftover from an outstanding DASNY grant and would not involve any direct appropriation of Village monies. He also indicated that the Village would like to seek bids to replace the carpeting in the front vestibule and several offices in the Municipal Center. ARPA Funding would be utilized to fund this appropriation. Following a brief period of discussion, Trustee Davies moved that the Village Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for these various services in the official Village Newspaper. Trustee Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Labas then opened the Meeting to public comment at 7:15pm.

Dr. Roger Ellis asked to be recognized on behalf of the Granville Lions Club. He made a brief presentation concerning a mural that was erected on the Lions' warehouse building in October of 1996 through teachers and students from the Granville School System. The mural has faded some through the years and is in need of some refreshing/sealing to keep it from falling into a state of disrepair. The Club has sought quotes from two artists locally. The low bid was \$12,500. Telescope Casual Furniture has offered to allow their lift to be used for the refurbishment project without cost. The Board discussed this project with Dr. Ellis and agreed that the mural was a nice representation of community life in Granville. They discussed several different funding opportunities for the Club, most notably pursuing a grant through the Granville Community Foundation. At this time, the Board did not feel that they could solely fund the requested repairs, but they did offer to assist with the application process through the GCF and or allowing the use of Village equipment, if needed, for this project.

There was no further input from the public.

The Mayor advised that he did not have any matters for Executive Session, but that the Police Chief had recommended that the Board consider hiring a candidate as a part-time Police Officer. The candidate is Evan Hoagland, and he would work 1-2 shifts per week during the summer months, with perhaps more shifts as we work through fall and into the winter. Following a brief period of discussion, Trustee Hyatt moved the hiring of Evan Hoagland as a part time officer, with a rate of pay as per the existing collective bargaining agreement. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no other business, Deputy Mayor Smith sponsored a motion to adjourn at 7:40pm. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard H. Roberts  
Village Clerk-Treasurer