

March 2nd, 2021

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor Washburn
Tr James, Miller, Reed, and Bannister
Clerk Gozelski
Supt Wright

Also present: B Brown

At 5:00 pm Mayor Washburn called the meeting to order and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments:

Minutes of previous meeting were read.

A motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr Miller, that the minutes be approved from the previous meeting.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, Bannister, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

At 5:02pm, a motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr Reed, to open the public hearing for the purpose of changing the current Sewer Rate from \$7.40 per 1000 to \$8.50 per 1000 and for the Sewer Debt Service charge to remain the same \$31.80 per unit per month.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, Bannister, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

B Brown was present representing the Castile American Legion. Mr. Brown conveyed to the Board, that this year is the 100 year Anniversary for our Post. They are planning a small outdoor celebration to take place on May 31st at 9:00am. On behalf of American Legion they would like to invite the Mayor or a representative of the Village of Castile to addend to receive a 48 star flag. This represents the 48 states that were in the Union during WWI. They are hoping to have family members from the Jeffers and Wallace families.

They Mayor accepted the invitation and will be present @ 9:00am, May 31, 2021.

Bills listed in abstract #10 in the amounts of:

\$ 9,474.55 in the General Fund, \$5,716.49 in the Electric Fund, \$ 1,824.73 in the Water Fund, and \$7,575.27 in the Sewer Fund.

A motion was made by Tr James, seconded by Tr Bannister, to approve and pay the Bills.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, Bannister, James, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

Mayor's Report:

Committee Reports:

Tr Reed to 90 N Main St for the work transpiring there.

Tr Reed requested Supt Wright to reach out and see what are the requirements for charging stations for electric cars. Mayor Washburn is going to assist Supt Wright on this matter.

Clerk's Report:

Feb EOM report was submitted.

Feb Zoning Report submitted

A motion was made by Tr Reed, seconded by Tr Bannister, to appoint J. Rugg and M. Loomis as inspectors for the Village Election on March 16th, 2021.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, Bannister, and Reed.

Noes: None Carried

A motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr Miller, to approve the Minutes from the February 23rd Budget Workshop.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Bannister, Miller, James, and Reed.

Noes: None Carried

At 5:38pm, a motion was made by Mayor Washburn, seconded by Tr Bannister, to close the public hearing for the Sewer Rates.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Bannister, Miller, James, and Reed.

Noes: None Carried

No one was present for or against the rates.

A motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr James, effective June 2021 billing the Sewer Rates to be \$8.50 per 1000 and \$31.80 Sewer Debt Charge to remain \$31.80 per unit per month.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Bannister, Miller, James, and Reed.

Noes: None Carried

A motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr Miller, to direct the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to charge late fees to Commercial Utility Customers going forward that are not paying by the due date monthly.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Bannister, Miller, James, and Reed.

Noes: None Carried

A motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr Reed, to direct the Mayor to sign the letter from CDBG stating that we understand there is a \$2500.00 fee for the grant application.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Bannister, Miller, James, and Reed.

Noes: None Carried

Supt's Report:

Supt Wright was pleased to report the S Schumacher was adapting to the DPW crew very well. J Scott has another 5 weeks before we find out when he may return to work.

S Schumacher has been signed up for line school and the pricing for school has increased.

A motion was made by Tr Miller, seconded by Mayor Washburn, to obtain the application for a Village credit card for S Schumacher.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, Bannister, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

A discussion about the Electric Company commenced.

Supt Wright spoke to the MEUA and NYCOM and they both confirmed that moratorium is only for the residential customers.

Where ever a landlord has no tenant the account becomes a Commercial Account until rented.

A letter is to be sent out to Commercial customers informing them that they are not exempt from penalties.

Send out a ROBO call reminding residents that even though penalties are currently not being applied that customers are still responsible for payment, please put it in the newsletter as well.

A motion was made by Tr Miller, seconded by Mayor Washburn, to acquire two EZ passes, one for each pickup.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, Bannister, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

A motion was made by Tr Bannister, seconded by Tr Miller, to schedule a Budget Workshop on March 9th, 2021 at 5:00.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Bannister, Miller, James, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

A motion was made by Tr Miller, seconded by Mayor Washburn, that there will be NO Recreation or Park Rental for the Summer of 2021, due to COVID-19.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, Bannister, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

At 6:44pm, A motion was made by Mayor Washburn, and seconded by Tr Miller, to adjourn the meeting.

Polled: Ayes: Mayor Washburn, Tr Miller, James, and Reed.
Noes: None Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna Gozelski
Clerk/Treasurer