MINUTES VILLAGE OF ARKPORT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

***** January 19, 2016 *****

6 Park Ave., Arkport, NY

Call to order: Regular Board Meeting, 7:00PM

Pledge to the Flag:

The Mayor welcomed the many high school students in attendance.

Roll Call: Mayor Charles Flanders Trustee Mike Brewer Trustee Ezra Geist

Trustee Jon Hedges Trustee Susan Thompson

Absent Call: None

Others Present: Jennifer Bush, Clerk; Patty Lupo, Treasurer; Bob Mauro, DPW; Bill Rusby, Codes; Tom Hunt, Cemetery; Cathy Smith, Book Center; Bernie Smith; Norm Kennell; Kelly Bixby; Angelica Costley; Staci Hamilton; Thomas Tallman; Jerry Tallman; Ashley Smith; Reba Bartholomew; Mikey Adler; Hunter Erskine; Cameron Ellington; Hunter Watkins; Catrina Clark; Clara Soshi; Korin Kilbury; Austin Cunningham; Elizabeth Mullen; Lindsey Garrigoes.

<u>Welcome Patty Lupo:</u> Robin Allison submitted her resignation as treasurer on December 28, 2015. Patty Lupo from Almond has been hired as our new treasurer.

Approval of Minutes: No corrections or additions to the December 15, 2015 regular board meeting minutes as written.

M48 Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Brewer, to approve the minutes of the December 15th regular board meeting as written. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

<u>Cemetery</u> – Tom Hunt – Report on file (gray) – Two lots sold and no burials for the month of December. The Board discussed the increase in the fee from Snyder Brothers for a grave opening to \$325.00. It was decided to increase our burial fee by \$25.00, from \$475.00 to \$500.00.

M49 Motion made by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to increase the burial fee from \$475.00 to \$500.00 to keep up with the cost of hiring the Snyder Brothers. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement Officer- Bill Rusby – Report on file (green) – No building permits issued for the month of December. Four Certificates of Compliance issued. The yearly total for 2015 was twenty building permits and 14 certificates of compliance. Bill will be starting Fire Inspections at the businesses soon. Code school will be coming up in March. There is a cat problem at the abandoned house of Joel and Eva Lasnick on 7 Park Ave. Bill will be sending a registered letter to the property owners of record.

<u>DPW/Water Department</u> – Bob Mauro – Report on file (blue) – No citizen concerns. No fleet issues. Started servicing trucks and equipment. No projects at this moment. To date we have used 28 tons of salt. Bob still needs an approval on the John Kuhn Plumbing and Heating quote to repair the copper lines at the water treatment plant. It has been over three weeks. Paul Drum is not interested. He has contacted Mike Palmer Plumbing and has received no call back. Trustee Thompson recommends we wait to get another quote.

M50 Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Brewer, to approve the quote for \$1317.00 from John Kuhn Plumbing and Heating to repair the water treatment plant leaks. Roll call. Ayes; Trustees Hedges, Geist and Brewer. Abstain; Trustee Thompson. Motion carried.

Book Center – Cathy Smith – Report on file (pink) – There were a total of two hundred and sixty-one books checked out for the month of December. This included two hundred Arkport owned books, twenty-seven books from STLS and five interlibrary loan books were ordered. Forty-nine people visited the Book Center. Six volunteers helped out for December. There were four hours of computer use logged. One hundred and four children visited through the month from Lisa's Daycare for story hour. Many boxes of books were donated. Cathy placed a notice around the Village for volunteers to read for story hour. We have several new volunteer readers.

<u>Treasurer</u> – Patricia Lupo – Profit and loss reports for the December 2015 General Fund, Water Fund and the Capital Fund. General Fund total income was \$12,719.33 and total expenses \$18,352.75. Water Fund income was \$24,099.06 and expenses were \$3,481.14. Capital Fund total expenses were \$7,810.45.

M51 Motion made by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Thompson, to approve the Treasurer's Profit and Loss Reports for December 2015 for the General Fund, the Water Fund and the Capital Fund as provided. Roll call. All ayes.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Norm Kennell reported the Fire Department was concerned about their electric bill. The Village is with a different provider than NYSEG and the rate per kilowatt is higher than NYSEG. He suggests we look into using NYSEG to supply our electricity. NYSEG Solutions has nothing to do with NYSEG. They are two totally separate companies.

Old Business & Tabled Items:

Well House Repair: Bob Mauro reported they are all complete.

Corrections to the November 17, 2015 Treasurer's Report for the month of October

General Fund income reported as \$1,265.40 should be \$25,236.25.

There was a State Aid direct deposit made for \$24,004.34

Also, there is a \$33.49 1% gross receipts tax payment from Time Warner

General Fund expenses reported as \$18,695.95, should be \$18,720.95.

There was a \$25.00 fee collected for a cemetery lot transfer

Water Fund income reported as \$1,270.19, should be \$1,271.58

There was interest of \$1.39 paid to the water account.

Water Fund expenses reported as \$15,756.34, should be \$16,229.65

There was an employee's benefits payment of \$473.31

M52 Motion made by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Brewer, to approve all corrections to the November 17, 2015 Treasurer's report as read. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business:

Caucus Reminder - The Village **Republican** caucus will be held Wednesday, January 20th at 7:00pm in the Village Hall, 6 Park Ave., Arkport, NY

The Village **Democratic** caucus will be held Thursday, January 21st at 8:00pm in the Village Hall, 6 Park Ave., Arkport, NY

<u>Change March meeting date:</u> Due to the Village General Election on March 15, 2016, the Village monthly board meeting needs to be changed to Tuesday March 8, 2016.

M53 Motion made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Geist, to change the March Village Board meeting date to Tuesday March 8, 2016 because of the March 15th Village Elections. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution#15-11: Approval of election inspectors. The Village of Arkport Board of Trustees does hereby appoint the following people as election inspectors for the March 15, 2016 Village Elections:

Charles Bill (R)

Kathy Bill (R)

Patricia White (D)

And also appoint the following alternates:

Carolyn Elder (R)

George Prete (D)

M54 Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to approve Resolution#15-11 as read. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Correction to the December 15, 2015 Abstract #6

The total given for Abstract #6 was \$5,920.39. The total was added wrong and did not include the payroll. The payrolls were \$5,796.61 and \$10,993.41. The corrected total for Abstract #6 is \$22,710.41.

M55 Motion made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Geist, to rescind motion #15-46 approving abstract number 6 total of \$5,920.39. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

M56 Motion made by Trustee to accept the corrections for Abstract #6 and accept the new total for Abstract#6 of \$22,710.41.

<u>Received a purchase offer</u> from the Arkport Joint Fire District for \$10,000.00 to purchase the old DPW building and lot at 19 Main St., Arkport.

<u>Resolution#15-13</u> to accept the purchase offer from the Arkport Joint Fire District and authorize the Mayor to sign the acceptance and sign to contract of sale.

M56 Motion made by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee Geist, to approve Resolution# 15-13 as read, to allow the Mayor to accept

M57 Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to amend the agenda to include Resolution# 15-12. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution#15-12 to rescind approval of Resolution#15-6. This resolution was already covered in Resolution #15-3 that was approved September 15, 2015. Resolution #15-6 is a duplicate. **M58** Motion made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Thompson, to rescind approval of Resolution#15-6 dated December 15, 2015. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ratification of Abstract #7, Voucher #181 thru #211, in the amount of \$28,952.87.

M59 Motion made by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Thompson, to approve ratification of Abstract #7, voucher #181 through #211, in the amount of \$28,952.87. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting Date: February 16, 2016

Trustee Hedges reported on the additional water grant the Village is pursuing. He has had several e-mail communications with Christine Crafts from Lu Engineers regarding information needed to continue the application. Trustee Hedges called Rural Development to verify that the new grant, if secured, will not affect the grant we are getting from them. Trustee Hedges also read a communication from Scott Prior of Lu Engineers and they will not bill us additional costs for the work on the new water grant and possible bridge grant.

Mayor Flanders asked Bob Mauro several questions regarding the replacement of the Meadowbrook Bridge.

Motion to adjourn:

M60 Motion made by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Geist, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer D. Bush Village Clerk.