MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ARKPORT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
******May 18, 2021******
6 Park Ave., Arkport, NY

Call to order: 7:00pm
Pledge to the Flag:
Roll Call: Mayor Thomas Dugo Trustee Ryan Beers Trustee Mike Brewer Trustee Ezra Geist Trustee Jon Hedges

Absent Call:

Others Present: Theo Holder, Clerk; Patty Lupo, Treasurer; John Senka, Bill Robinson, Matt Mahany, Dave Weaver, Tim Bailey, Mark Young, Julie Merry.

Approval of Minutes: No corrections or additions to the minutes of the April 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, as written.

M75 Motion made by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Geist, to approve the minutes of the April Regular Board Meeting, as written. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Waived Agenda for Public Comments:

M76 Motion made by Mayor Dugo, seconded by Trustee Geist, to move the public comments ahead of the reports in the agenda. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Arkport Village resident Dave Weaver addressed the Board members about a conflict with July 10th date that he had reserved the Village Park for back in April. Bill Robinson also needed this date for the Summerfest that was going to be held this summer on that same weekend. Bill apologized for waiting until the end of May to fill out the reservation form for the use of the park. Bill said he would meet with his committee and see if they could find another alternative spot to hold Summerfest in a different location. All Board members agreed that Dave Weaver would be able to keep his reservation for July 10, 2021 for the Park Pavilion.

Representatives of the Arkport Youth Softball (AYS) and Representatives of the Knight Hawks were present to discuss the issue of the Knight Hawks using the girls' softball field. Mayor Dugo said that he would give each side 5 minutes to address the Board of Trustees.

John Senka said that he couldn't understand why his team had to go out of town to play softball, the Village own's the property and he should be able to use it.

Julie Merry said that AYS was open to any girl that wanted to join the program all they had to do was join AYS. Discussion followed and Mayor Dugo read the following letter from the Village Attorney, John Vogel.

"It is my opinion that the Arkport Youth Softball League has priority to use the field to the exclusion of the Night Hawks if the Arkport Youth Softball League (AYS) so wishes. I say this for the following reasons: (1) AYS has a long history of using the field, (2) the AYS has made permanent improvements to the field, (3) the Night Hawks were allowed to use the field only because AYS did not use the field last year due to the Covid pandemic, and (4) there apparently was an agreement with AYS allowing them (Night Hawks) to use the field (although no one can seem to locate a copy), but there does not seem to be anything in writing that gives the Night Hawks any rights to use the field. If the parties cannot agree to a shared use of the field, I do not see where the Night Hawks, or any other group, could displace Arkport Youth Softball.

I trust that this answers your question. Thank you.

John Vogel"

This makes it very clear that the Boards of Arkport Youth softball and Arkport Junior Baseball respectively are the sole decision makers on how their respective fields and properties are used and managed. This is how both leagues were originally created and that is how they will continue.

Matt Mahany, spoke and said that the softball season was almost over and next year they would work out something together.

REPORTS:

Code Enforcement Officer - Bill Rusby – Two building permits have been issued for the month of April. Fire inspections have started.

DPW– Logan Sliter- absent. Verbal Report was given by Trustee Hedges for April 2021.

Discussion followed on the update of Main Street Project by Trustee Hedges. The new sidewalks must be completed before Main Street can be repaved. Work on sidewalks in front of the business, has been scheduled so they do not disturb their customers. Repairs of resident's front yards has not been completed at this time. Logan is very disappointed in the job that V&B Underground Utilities are doing with the Village resident's yards. V&B had promised a larger crew and estimated it would only take two weeks to finish up the project. Trustee Hedges suggested that the Village may have to start imposing a fine on V&B Utilities if the work has not been completed to the Village Residents and Village Board Members satisfaction.

UV System has been completed and are waiting on the engineers to sign off the project.

Trustee Beers asked if the Village has heard anything on the Grants. Trustee Hedges said he has turned everything in to the Federal Government on the Main Street Project but he hasn't heard anything back as of this date.

Treasurer – Patricia Lupo – Profit and loss reports for April 2021.

General Fund income was $45,461.90 and expenses were $18,444.13. Water Fund income was $1,553.90 and expenses were $8,691.33. Capital Fund Income was $0.00 and expenses were $167.50.

M77 Motion made by Mayor Dugo, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to approve the Treasurer's Profit and Loss Reports for the General Fund, Water Fund and the Capital Fund as distributed and reviewed. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ratification of Abstract #11 - April 2021

General Fund	$18,444.13	Payroll & Vouchers	#212 thru #232
Water Fund	$ 8,691.33	Payroll & Vouchers	# 89 thru #95
Capital Fund	$ 167.50	Vouchers	# 13 thru 14
Total	$ 27,302.96		

M78 Motion made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Beers to approve ratification of Abstract #11 for April 2021 as presented. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business & Tabled Items:

Trustee Brewer, hasn't been able to schedule a meeting with the Town of Hornellsville Dan Broughton. Trustee Hedges ask Treasurer Patty Lupo to send them another bill.
The Village has not had any response for a crossing guard to replace Zelda Pursley.

New Business:

Treasurer Patricia Lupo said that she received a letter from Wendy Jordon mandating that the County of Steuben can no longer add the water re-levy on the Village Taxes. Mayor Dugo said that Patty could go ahead and sent out notices to people that were re-levy. Board members agreed that we would wait until next year to collect fees at the end of the year.

Logan Sliter (DPW) has 11 hours that need to be used by June 1,2021 he has not had time to use these hours due to all the projects that the Village is working on. The Village policy states that (1) week of vacation time can be carried over to the fiscal year. By signing the attached acknowledgement form, the Board approves Logan adding 11 hours onto the fiscal year 06/01/2021 to 05/31/2022.

Opening of the front door to the public was discussed by the Board Members. It was agreed to open the door to the public, if they have had their Covid shot they do not need to wear a mask. If they haven't had a vaccine, they will need to wear a mask inside the office.

Resolution #21-21 Supplemental Appropriation General Fund

M79 Motion was made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Beers to make additional appropriations, increase existing appropriations or reduce any appropriations so as to prevent the making expenditures in excess of moneys available. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #21-22 Supplemental Appropriation Water Fund

M80 Motion was made by Trustee Beers, seconded by Trustee Brewer to make additional appropriations, increase existing appropriations or reduce any appropriations so as to prevent the making of expenditures in excess of moneys available. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #21-23 Steuben County Hazard Mitigation Plan

M90 Motion was made by Mayor Dugo, seconded by Trustee Geist the Village of Arkport, with assistance from the County of Steuben, has gathered information and prepared the Steuben County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Plan (the "plan"). Roll call. All ayes, Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting Date: June 15, 2021

M91 Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Brewer, to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theo Jane Holder

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Village Clerk