

MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF ARKPORT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
\*\*\*\*\*February 20, 2024\*\*\*\*\*  
6 Park Ave., Arkport, NY

**Call to order:** 7:00 pm

**Pledge to the Flag:**

**Roll Call:** Mayor George Prete, Trustee Patricia Amidon, Trustee Ryan Beers,  
Trustee Mike Brewer, Trustee Ezra Geist

**Absent Call:** Trustee Ezra Geist

**Others Present:** Theo Holder, Clerk; Patty Lupo, Treasurer; Logan Sliter, DW; Everett Davison, WLEA; Bonnie Dungan, Deputy Clerk.

**Approval of Minutes:** No corrections or additions made to the minutes of the January 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

**M49** Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Brewer, to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting as written. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – Tom Hunt – Tom reported to the Board Members that he received a notice from Snyder Brothers that effective April 1, 2024 the cost for grave openings and closing will now be \$425.00. There will also be an additional charge of \$300.00 for Sundays and Holidays, and \$250.00 for Saturdays and an overtime charge of \$150.00 per hour for funerals that arrive at the cemetery after 3:30 pm.

Tom strongly recommends that we approve the increases in the cemetery fees and the funeral homes will have to pass the increase onto the families.

Trustee Amidon wasn't comfortable with the proposed fee increases. Trustee Amidon will investigate if there are other companies that provide cemetery services and if they use a mini track back hoe.

Small discussion followed and it was agreed that the trustee would post pone the vote until the next regular meeting in March.

**Code Enforcement Officer** - Bill Rusby – No building permits for January. Code School March 11-13, 2024, fee for school and milage and cost of certificate split with North Hornell. Annual Report has been submitted.

Spoke with Wendy Recktenwald about plans for an Ice Cream stand, gave her recommendations, steps to follow, etc. She's going to look into it and will get back to us.

**DPW/Water Department** – Logan Sliter

- Asks to be invited to budget meeting
- 2<sup>nd</sup> truck being outfitted
- National Fuel – in town – Maiden Lane, Sullivan and bottom of Oak Hill working on gas main system. No issues have come up so far. Several streets, west side of village will be worked on in the future so they will be in the area for a while.
- Last Friday/Saturday accident; drifted off road and hit a parked car on West Avenue. No damage to village property.

**Treasurer** – Patricia Lupo – Profit and loss reports for January, 2024. General Fund income was \$118,317.12 and expenses were \$19,557.99. Water Fund income was \$1,793.69 and expenses were \$7,784.49.

**M50** Motion to approve Treasurer's Profit and Loss reports for January, 2024 for the General Fund, Water and Capital Fund as distributed and reviewed was made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Beers. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Resolution #24-08 Financing Snow Plow Trucks**

Resolution read by Trustee Brewer, motion by Trustee Brewer to accept as written, seconded by Trustee Geist. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**Old Business & Tabled Items:**

Set a date for March Regular Board Meeting – March 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm. Motion made by Trustee Beers, seconded by Trustee Geist, for the March meeting date of March 26, 2024, 7:00 pm as discussed. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

- Water Loan Payment – Paying off \$60,000.00 loan in May. Water Fund of \$250,000.00 savings account.

**M51** Motion made by Trustee Geist to invest the \$250,000.00 from Water Fund savings to a CD. Seconded by Trustee Amidon. Roll call. All ayes. Motion Carried

- Discussion ensued regarding the Health Insurance. Further investigation will take place.

**Next Board Meeting Date: March 26, 2024**

**M52** Motion made by Trustee Beers, seconded by Trustee Geist. to adjourn meeting at 7:48 pm. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theo Jane Holder  
Village Clerk