MINUTES VILLAGE OF ARKPORT REGULAR BOARD MEETING ******February 18, 2025****** 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: None

Others Present: Theo Holder, Clerk; Patty Lupo, Treasurer; Joe Demick, DPW; Bill Rusby,

Codes Officer

Approval of Minutes: No corrections or additions made to the minutes of the January 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

<u>M51</u> Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Amidon, to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting as written. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

<u>Code Enforcement Officer</u> - Bill Rusby – No building permits for the month of February. Code School will be held on March 10-12th, 2025, fee for school and mileage and cost of certificate split with North Hornell. Annual Report has been submitted to the Village. All the C of C and C of O reports have been completed.

DPW/Water Department – Joe Demick

DPW – The allotment amount for CHIPS \$30,000. Joe stated that he would like to purchase a small trailer and roller that the Village needs. The trailer and roller could be purchased with Chip money for a purchase price of \$23,550.

<u>M52</u> Motion made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Brewer to purchase a new roller and trailer that will be eligible with Chip Money for the purchase price of \$23,550. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board members need to plan for road repairs for this summer and decide on the streets that are in bad condition. Joe will be looking at numbers for black top.

Water – One leak this month at The Oaks on a vacant lot has been fixed. One Hornellsville pump needed to be rebuilt. Water meter reads are working almost at 100%.

One resident asked Board Members if he could get a deduction on his water bill. Because the previous home owner installed heated water pipes in his sidewalk. These pipes froze and caused a water leak. The Board members agreed that his bill could not be lowered since it would be considered a gift. Therefore, he will need to pay the bill in full.

Joe attended a Budget Workshop in Hornell with the State Comptroller. Joe was advised that all villages need to be raising water rates on annual basis due to inflation. If this rate increase is not implemented, then budget deficits will result with their budgets. Joe said he will talk to other small villages and ask about the rate they are charging.

<u>Treasurer</u> – Patricia Lupo – Profit and loss reports for February, 2025. General Fund income was \$38,442.98 and expenses were \$13,501.36. Water Fund income was \$6,455.70 and expenses were \$5,381.16

<u>M50</u> Motion to approve Treasurer's Profit and Loss reports for February, 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.

Ratification of abstract #8

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General Fund \$13,501.36 PR & Vouchers 129-141 Water Fund \$5,381.16 PR & vouchers 64-68

Total \$18,882.52

Public Comment: None

Mayor Prete met with Hornell law enforcement representatives including the Hornell Mayor, Chief of Police and Police Captain to discuss a proposal for law enforcement to monitor law activities in the Village of Arkport. The City Police have a jurisdiction limit of 5 feet outside city limits. Court fines would go the Town of Hornellsville. Mayor Prete said that more research is needed and possibly legal advice.

Spectrum Franchise — Granting of a Cable Television Franchise held by Spectrum. A Public hearing will be held in the Village Community Road on March 25th at 6:30 pm.

Old Business & Tabled Items:

New Business: March 11, 2025 Budget Workshop at 5:30pm

Next Board Meeting Date: March 25, 2025

<u>M52</u> Motion made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Geist to adjourn meeting at 7:48 pm. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theo Jane Holder Village Clerk