

The official minutes of the Village of Waterville Board of Trustees regular board meeting held on November 13th, 2023. Minutes to be approved at the next board meeting on Monday, December 11th, 2023.

In attendance: Mayor - G. Ostrander, DPW Superintendent J. Bechy, Treasurer/Clerk - G. Barnes, Village Attorney – W. Getman, CEO – W. Brown, Trustees: R. Perry, L. Stern, Trustee Briggs

Not in attendance: Trustee A. Briggs, Fire Chief J. Waufle

Public in attendance: Patty Louise, John Mariani

- Meeting was called to order at 7pm

- Approve the minutes of the October 23rd, 2023 Regular Board meeting
Motion – B. Bogan 2nd – L. Stern Carried

- Approve Purchase Order(s)
Motion – L. Stern 2nd – B. Bogan Carried

- Approve Audit of Expense Abstracts for 11/13/23 GEN ABS
Motion – L. Stern 2nd – B. Bogan Carried

- Public Participation
 - Village resident, John Mariani, inquired about the Waterville Times article regarding the sink hole at the Schoolhouse Apartments. Mr. Mariani wanted more information on the court decision that put all responsibility of the sink hole repairs on the owners of Schoolhouse Apartments and found New York State Dept. of Transportation not liable. Mr. Mariani asked if the Department of Housing and Urban Development had been contacted about the sink hole since the property is Section 8 housing and the sink hole is a potential safety hazard for residents of the apartment. The Village responded that former NYS representative John Salka, Congressman Brandon Williams, NYS Senator Joe Griffo, and NYS Assemblyman Brian Miller have all been contacted about the ongoing issue of the sink hole. Schoolhouse Apartment’s insurance company had been notified about the possibility of a safety issue if there was a fire there since the sink hole encompasses one of the driveways that the fire trucks would need to use to access the back of the building. The owner’s of the apartment building widened the secondary driveway to address the issue.

Department Head’s Reports

- DPW Superintendent J. Bechy
 - The parking lot by the Firemen’s pavilion will need to be surveyed to see where the property lines are between the Village’s property and the Waterville Fire Dept. property. The language in the deed is not clear about where the property lines are. The Village received a quote from Chapman Surveyors for \$1100 to survey the properties.
Motion to approve quote – B. Bogan 2nd – L. Stern Carried

 - Oneida County DPW will be selling a couple of used dump trucks and our DPW is interested in purchasing one of them. OC DPW has offered to let the Village DPW use one of the dump trucks until spring as long as the Village insures the vehicle. This will allow the Village to try out the truck to see if it fits the Village’s needs.
Motion to accept offer – B. Bogan 2nd – R. Perry Carried

- CEO W. Brown
 - Presented monthly Codes report.
- Treasurer/Clerk G. Barnes
 - The email migration from Digital Towpath to Microsoft 365 will take place on November 15th.
The new website should be live by the first of December.
- Adjournment, next meeting will be the December 11th, 2023 at 7pm.
Motion to Adjourn – R. Perry 2nd – L. Stern Carried
Time Adjourned – 7:42pm

Signature

Date