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VILLAGE OF JORDAN
January 4th, 2016
Happy New Year!

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Richard Platten, Trustees Meixner, Chilson, Ferris, and Gustafson (8:08pm)

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

POLICE OFFICER in ATTENDANCE: Edward Healy

AUDIENCE: Superintendent DiRisio

REGULAR MEETING:

Mayor Platten opened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:00pm and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Motion by Trustee Meixner, seconded by Trustee Chilson, to waive the reading and approve the minutes of December 21st, 2015 Voting: All present in favor –Motion Carried.

REPORTS:

Buildings & Grounds:

- The December monthly reports received review. The Board noted it would be most helpful to have the Code Officer available for a few meetings. Concern expressed over a burnt building not being secure and the apparent lack of progress at previously noted violation residences.

The Mayor noted the appearance of small footprints in the snow along the wall on North Main Street and asked the DPW to install the safety fencing for the winter.

Water & Sewer:

- The December monthly reports received review. Explanation and discussion had on the processes of dry verses wet cleaning of the reservoirs. Reservoirs are off line a couple days for the dry cleaning method and this process requires complete drainage of the tank. The wet method involves a sterile diver. Superintendent DiRisio has researched both methods and various companies; he is most interested in the LiquiVision Technology proposal.

- The hydrant on South Skaneateles Street will be repositioned on the backside of the main line rather than on the street side. This should help prevent it from being hit.

- Trustee Meixner inquired if a map existed of all hydrants within the village; yes, there is but without GPS coordinates.

Public Safety:

-The date of January 13th at 7:00pm was established as a meeting date with a committee from the Fire Department and from the Village Board. The Clerk will check with the ZBA about a possible conflict with the room.

-Officer Healy noted a problem with the two modems; it seems they share the same address. This is causing some difficulty between computers within the building. Trustee Meixner will address the issue with a tech.

Streets & Drainage:

-The December monthly reports received review.

-The Mayor asked for a date to have a sit down to discuss the RT. 317 request. He would like to include permeable sidewalks and new lighting. January 12th at 10:00am is tentatively set.

General:

- The Mayors' Association is hosting an Inter-Municipal Breakfast January 23rd at 8:30am. Please let the Clerk know if you can attend, she will phone RSVPs for our village.

-The Mayors' Association Holiday Party is scheduled for January 20th; details will follow by email as they are sent to the Village.

-COMP ALLIANCE is sponsoring the annual safety seminar at the Skaneateles Fire Station on January 12th from 1:00pm -3:00pm and another session from 6:30pm – 8:30pm. The seminars are open to public employees as well as elected and appointed officials. The state requires this information be presented with an instructor present, to remind employees and officials there is help available should the need arise. The Village of Jordan will send four full-time employees. Members of the Board should contact the clerk if they are also interested in attending either of these seminars.

-The lawyer's response regarding the proposed Girl Scout community garden project was shared. The

clerk is awaiting a response from the insurance carrier.

-No update available on the mural for the Laundromat.

OLD BUSINESS

Buildings and Grounds:

- The lawyer's opinion is in regarding liability with the Girl Scouts' Community Garden proposal. He does not recommend moving forward as it opens the village up to potential liability. It is questionable if a proposed agreement/contract for the garden could be enforceable while nearly impossible to have absolutely everyone sign before entering the garden. Courts may not uphold such a document exonerating a party for wrongdoing, which may have caused an accident as it goes against public policy. The village's insurance carrier would have to confirm in writing that the garden has its own coverage and the Girl Scout's insurance coverage would need to include, defend, and indemnify the village with their carrier. The village's insurance carrier was contacted and an answer has not been received to date. Discussion decided the clerk should call NYCOM for specific additional information on community gardens and see if other municipalities have had any experience.

NEW BUSINESS

Water & Sewer:

-The proposal submitted by LiquiVision Technology includes 4" of normal sediment removal from the tank floor, and inspection in both upper and lower reservoir tanks, as well as, wall cleaning in the upper reservoir if necessary. \$5,000.00 allotted in this year's budget line for this work. If sediment is in excess, such as large concrete chunks, gravel, sand, ect, then an hourly rate of \$375 will be applied.

*Motion to accept the LiquiVision Technology proposal for cleaning of the upper and lower reservoir tanks, pending the successful findings from the reference check, was offered by Trustee Meixner and seconded by Trustee Ferris.

All present voting in favor Motion Carried.

General:

- The proposal to trade-in the current 2013 Bobcat Skid-Steer towards the purchase of a new Bobcat S450 T4 Skid-Steer Loader received discussion after researching the finance options and the budget. This 2015 meets all new emission standards. By moving forward with this purchase and keeping the new machine in good condition, it can be traded-in annually for a nominal amount; estimated between \$500 and \$1,000. Trustee Ferris was concerned that the trading might be forgotten next year. Superintendent DiRisio suggested a new line item be added into the next year's budget(s) to prevent that from happening.

*Motion to utilize the trade-in of the 2013 Bobcat Skid-steer loader at a price of \$16,000 to purchase the 2015 Bobcat S450 T4 Bobcat Skid-steer Loader at the quoted price of \$12,395.39, was offered by Trustee Ferris and seconded by Trustee Gustafson.

All present voting in favor Motion Carried.

*Motion to pay for the purchase of the 2015 Bobcat directly from the current budget without seeking outside financing, was offered by Trustee Ferris, and seconded by Trustee Meixner.

All present voting in favor Motion Carried.

*Motion to move \$3,000 from A9950.9 to A5110.4 for the purpose of equipment purchase, was offered by Trustee Gustafson and seconded by Trustee Ferris.

All present voting in favor Motion Carried.

- The future dates of the Village Board meetings received discussion. Trustees had been asked to review their schedules to find an alternative evening, as the first and third Mondays often resulted in holidays. The second and fourth Mondays are proposed. These dates will only cause a few conflicts throughout the year with another organizational meeting a trustee is a member of, much less than the current time or other evenings.

*Motion offered by Trustee Gustafson to move the Village Board of Trustee meetings to the second and fourth Monday of each month was seconded by Trustee Ferris.

Voting in favor: Mayor Platten, Trustees Ferris, Gustafson and Meixner. Voting opposed: Trustee Chilson. Motion Carried.

*Motion offered by Mayor Platten to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations and potential litigation was seconded by Trustee Ferris. All present voting in favor, Motion Carried. Executive Session began at 8:35pm.

*Motion to close executive session at 9:50 pm made by Trustee Chilson and seconded by Trustee Gustafson. All present voting in favor, Motion Carried.

No action necessary.

*Motion to pay the bills and file the correspondence offered by Trustee Chilson and seconded by Trustee Gustafson. All present voting in favor Motion Carried

*Motion to adjourn offered by Trustee Ferris and seconded by Trustee Chilson.

All present voting in favor Motion Carried at 9:55 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Meixner, Clerk-Treasurer