

MINUTES

Approved

For the
Village of Dryden
Board of Trustees Meeting
Held on Wednesday July 21, 2021 at 7:00 PM

- MAYOR:** Michael Murphy
- TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Dan Wakeman, Jason Dickinson, Stephanie Mulinos
- EXCUSED:** Trustee Deb Fisher
- SUPERVISORS PRESENT:** Chief Josh Tagliavento, Supt. Paul Sabin(excused early)
- DEPUTY CLERK/TREASURER:** Rotha Marsh, also recording Secretary
- ATTORNEY PRESENT:** Bill Troy- Law Offices of William Troy III
- GUESTS:** Allison Kjellander-Cantu(Village Aid), Shelley Knickerbocker-Code Enforcer, Residents-Chris Quinlan, John Bulzacchelli, Tanya Bunce, Ashleigh Newman, Thomas Corey, and Jon Singer

The Board meeting was opened at 7:04 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited

Privilege of the floor was opened at 7:04

Chris Quinlan- He along with other Brookside residents are concerned with cleaning out under the Lewis St. Bridge and why there are cones blocking part of Lewis St. Mayor Murphy assured him that the DPW will be addressing the situation by add heavy stone cross vane under the bridge to direct water to the south side allowing the right side to only have flow during high water. This will be done this summer. The Mayor explained that the cones were placed around a hole leading to a water main valve that had been leaking but is now repaired. It was left open until the DPW was sure there was no more leaking and the repair would hold. This will be filled in in the next week or so, weather permitting.

Ashleigh Newman- Her concern is the frequent brown or discolored water that they have been experiencing quite frequently on W. Main St.. In the past couple years she has tried to give her children bath's only to find the tub filling up with dirty looking discolored water with sediment in it. If this was just on occasion she wouldn't be upset but it has become frequent. The last time was July 11. Mayor Murphy explained that the Board and the DPW are very much aware of the problem and are trying to pinpoint the cause and correct the issue. Unfortunately the houses that are experiencing the discoloration are very random, meaning not just one area, and not on the same day making it very difficult to pinpoint. We are asking all residents that have discoloration to keep track and notify the Village office for us to map where and when this is happening. In the meantime the DPW is and has been working on several different possibilities including testing the water for Iron and Magnesium levels in the new wells, a valve that may not be working properly and geographically is there something causing the discoloration. The Mayor is asking residents to be patient a little longer while we try to solve this issue. Tom Corey wondered if there was a pressure gate on the TC3 tank, and is the Ferguson tank and the TC3 tank at the same height. Is flow being restricted, or water detention be an issue? Trustee Wakeman will discuss this with Superintendent Paul Sabin.

(Jon Singer was here for the same reason- His last time for discolored water was yesterday on Ferguson Rd.)

Thomas Corey- Besides also have water discoloration on Lee Rd. Tom is concerned and wants to know what is being done about the noise coming from tractor trailers using “Jake brakes”. Mayor Murphy started to let him know that NYS DOT has told the Village in the past that the Village was prohibited from putting signs up disallowing the use of engine braking. Chief Tagliavento stopped him because he was just notified this week that there may be a possibility in having signs erected for this purpose. He is still working on it. Trustee Wakeman pointed out that eliminating “engine braking” could cause safety issue when tractor trailers are made to use wheel brakes. Trustee Mulinos doesn’t feel that this is an issue. In order to enforce disallowing “engine braking” in the Village a local law or noise ordinance would have to be adopted. This would mean that the Village would need noise decimal machines to measure the noise and this could be complicated for law enforcement.

John Bulzacchelli and Tanya Bunce- The couple have been trying to purchase 15 Evergreen St. and are waiting on the Village Board for an agreement allowing a deck on the house to remain in the Village Right of Way. Mayor Murphy let them know that this is a topic on the agenda. Attorney Bill Troy will notify their attorney of the decision.

Privilege of the Floor was closed at 8:53p.m.

Monthly Reports:

Code Enforcement- Shelley Knickerbocker –written report emailed to the Board- Cortland has a noise ordinance; she will obtain a copy for us. She reports that the Stelick property looks amazing; TJ has really worked at cleaning up the property. Mayor Murphy advised her that a committee has been formed and are working on changing the local law in regards to lawn maintenance. It is not clear or decided as yet whether the law will contain a number of times the lawn needs mowing in growing season, or if a length will be used to determine when a lawn must legally be mowed or both at this time.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Attorney Bill Troy- Bill has 4 things to report on;

- 1) An email from Mayor Murphy regarding the sale of a used truck; the Village must first declare it as surplus, then they can trade it on a new truck, auction it off or advertise and obtain bids.
- 2) Village of Dryden owned property on Goodrich Way (green space) is not a buildable lot. It has 2 egresses’ that are 10’ wide and approximately 150’ long and no road frontage. According to Dave Sprout (Village Code Enforcement) a building lot has to have at least 100’ of road frontage and a means of egress at least 12’ wide for fire code. In order to sell the Village must first declare the property as surplus, and then either sells to the neighboring land owners who expressed an interest or advertises and sell to the highest bidder. The property can be subdivided and sold to multiple neighboring properties.
- 3) Village of Dryden owned Jay St. property – the same as Goodrich Way. The turnaround area that the DPW uses for snow plowing can be excluded or have a right of way clause.
- 4) 15 Evergreen St. Easement Agreement- Bill handed out the agreement that he reviewed and added to that will be voted on later and copy will be attached.

Paul Sabin- Emailed the Board his report. Paul was ill and excused before the meeting started.

Chief Tagliavento- Josh handed out his monthly report- Fire arms training was completed and all full time officers are certified. Healing Hearts came to the firing range and trained our officers and Village office staff how to administer Narcon and supplied everyone with a training card and supply to use if ever needed. If the Board would like this training he will arrange it. The solar speed signs have come in. He will meet with Paul Sabin to measure for specifics on installing and then send NYS DOT for a permit. Carter Aspire (Avigilon) has had a difficult time scheduling to come to the Village for camera point to point signaling test shots. He tentatively has August 10th available. Trustee Wakeman cannot make that can and would like to schedule for after that. Carter also has a budgetary estimate for us. The Department has also received the live scan equipment, just waiting on Bio Metrics to set up. Officer Jeffrey Trimm has completed his 160hours of field training. On July 28, 2021 a first responders night has been scheduled at Montgomery Park from 6-7:30. Sir James and Mega Moo's ice cream truck will be there. The chief is still having trouble getting ammunition. The Mobile Radio in the Clerk's office was looked at by Midstate and determined to be obsolete, they found a model that would work and donated it to the Village and we now have a Police and Fire radio working in the clerk's office. The Village Police department has received an award letter from NYS traffic and safety for a little over \$3700.00. This is not as much as he wanted but up \$700 from last year. They are also giving the PD a preliminary breath test which is a \$1500.00 piece of equipment. Last but not least there is a resolution later to hire Kevin McKenna as a part time police officer.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION:

Approve the minutes from June 16, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting:

On a motion by Trustee Dickinson and seconded by Trustee Wakeman the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.21.1-2021

Approve minutes for Minutes from June 16, 2021

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the minutes from the June 21, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting

Approve the minutes from June 24, 2021 Special Board of Trustees meeting:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Abstain, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye,

Resolution No. 7.21.2-2021

Approve June 24, 2021 Minutes

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the minutes from the June 24, 2021 Special Board of Trustees meeting

Approve the Law Office of William J. Troy III for Legal representation for the Village of Dryden:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.21.3-2021

Approve the Law Office of William J. Troy III

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the Law Office of William J. Troy III for Legal representation for the Village of Dryden at a rate of \$ 250.00 per hour

Abstract:

On a motion by Trustee Mulinos and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye, Fisher-Aye

Resolution No 7.21.5-2021

Abstract

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the Abstract dated July 21, 2021 and authorizes the Mayor to sign it

Approve the list of trees needing to be removed:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Mulinos the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No 7.21.6-2021

Approve the list of trees needing to be removed

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the following list of trees to be removed

<i>Address</i>
4 Weber St
14 Lake St
3 Pleasant St
16 Pleasant St
33 James St
11 Lake Rd
6 Union St
6 Ferguson Rd
32 Ferguson Rd
34 Ferguson Rd
7 Lewis St
14 Lewis St

Accepts the resignation of Kayla Lane Clark as Planning Board Member:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Nay, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No 7.21.7-2021

Accepts the resignation of Kayla Lane Clark as Planning Board Member

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby accepts the resignation of Kayla Lane Clark as Planning Board Member effective July 1, 2021 as her primary residence is no longer in the Village of Dryden

Mayoral Appointment requiring Board Approval: Planning Board member:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.21.8-2021

Mayoral Appointment requiring Board Approval

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the Mayor's appointment of Thomas Sinclair as Planning Board Member to finish Kayla Lane Clark's term ending 4/2022

Mayoral Appointment requiring Board Approval: Alternative Planning Board member:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye,

Resolution No. 7.21.9-2021

Mayoral Appointment requiring Board Approval

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the Mayor's appointment of Clay Converse as the Alternative Planning Board Member, previously David Bravo Cullen's term ending 4/2024

Accept the resignation of Brad Bates as part time police officer:

On a motion by Trustee Dickinson and seconded by Trustee Wakeman the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye,

Resolution No. 7.21.10-2021

Accept the resignation of Brad Bates as part time police officer

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby accepts the resignation of Brad Bates as part time police officer effective July 14, 2021

Change of Geoffrey Trimm's pay rate as part time police officer:

On a motion by Trustee Dickinson and seconded by Trustee Wakeman the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.21.11-2021

Change Geoffrey Trimm's rate of pay as part time police officer

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves changing Geoffrey Trimm's recruit rate hourly pay from \$12.50 to \$21.10 as a part time police officer as per the DPBA agreement. This rate is retroactive to July 9, 2021

Approve the hiring of Kevin McKenna as a Part Time Police Officer :

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye,

Resolution No 7.21.12-2021

Approve hiring Kevin McKenna as a Part Time Police Officer

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves hiring Kevin McKenna as a part time Police Officer, effective July 22, 2021 at a rate of \$21.10 per hour as per the DPBA Agreement.

Discuss and possibly authorize an agreement between the Village of Dryden and 15 Evergreen St. allowing a deck to remain in the Village ROW for a sanitary sewer easement:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.12.13-2021

Authorize an agreement between the Village of Dryden and 15 Evergreen St. allowing a deck to remain in the Village ROW for a sanitary sewer easement

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby authorizes an agreement for an encroachment or license agreement between the Village of Dryden and 15 Evergreen St. allowing a deck that was built in 1980 to remain in the Village ROW for a sanitary sewer easement. After review and approval from the Village attorney the Board also authorizes the Mayor to sign the agreement.

Approve Drawdown Request #3 from Community Development Block Grant funds submitted by Thoma Development:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Mulinos the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.21.14-2021

Approve Drawdown Request #3 from Community Development Block Grant funds submitted by Thoma Development

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the Drawdown Request #3 in the amount of \$53908.45 submitted by Thoma Development from The Community Development Block Grant funds.

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ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION:

Village Hall Upgrade/ Roof update- Mayor Murphy spoke with Superintendent Paul Sabin earlier today. Paul will contact JD Ferro Roofing about finding a way to get the standing water draining off the roof

Business Energy Report- Umit Sirt, PE emailed the Tompkins County Business Energy Advisors' "Energy Options Report" to the Board. It lists possible programs and incentives for energy saving options. There were recommendations for heat pumps and Solar Energy. Ground source heat pumps were discussed as well as on demand types of hot water under the sinks in the rest rooms.

Cameras update- Test shots will be scheduled in August

LED Street Lighting update- Still waiting on the custom LED lights to be installed on Applewood Lane, and video, no news on the controls yet

Pending Property Sales/Changes-

- A) Jay St. see Attorney Report
- B) Brecht's Property- Bruce Brecht was notified that the Board was in agreement with his proposal, he will contact his attorney.
- C) Goodrich Way. - see Attorney's Report

Southworth Library - The Village would be willing to help promote the Library's plan for Covid -19 vaccination conversations by putting on their plan on our Website and Facebook sites and will let Diane Pamel take the lead.

Dog Park- nothing new to report but still discussing possibilities

Mayor Murphy is exploring grant funding for more possible sidewalks

Mayor Murphy informed the Board that The Town of Dryden's lawyer and Bill Troy are working on easements for their Broadband project

Adjourn:

On a motion by Trustee Wakeman and seconded by Trustee Dickinson the following was passed: Vote Murphy- Aye, Mulinos-Aye, Dickinson-Aye, Wakeman-Aye

Resolution No. 7.21.15-2021

Adjourn

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby adjourns at 9:50 pm not to reconvene.