

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Newark Valley was held Tuesday evening, **May 12th, 2020** at 6:30 PM via public phone conference to be in compliance with COVID-19 requirements.

Present were:

Mayor	James Tornatore
Deputy Mayor	Cliff Alexander
Trustees	Michael Reynolds
	Scott Parmelee
	John Tomazin
Clerk/Treasurer	Pam Benthin
DPW Supervisor	Bill Foster
Attorney	Frank Como

MINUTES:

Minutes were read and approved as presented from April 14, 2020 meeting with a motion by Tomazin, seconded by Reynolds. Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Discussed as presented.

BILLS:

Presented. Approved in the amount of \$13,750.59, from abstract number 06-21 and 07-21 with a Motion by Alexander, seconded by Tomazin. Carried.

GUEST: Laurie Miner, Business Permit for Annie's Place – will require a fire inspection.

WORK IN PROGRESS:

- *DPW Retirement/Apprenticeship Program* – Steve Pado will be retiring June 19th. Interviews have taken place for his replacement. Lengthy discussion of hiring process and reference follow-up. Matt Seamans is the successful candidate. Discussion of salary of new hire and pay increases. Discussed tasks of new hire due to COVID-19 shutdown.
- *LED Streetlight Maintenance* – Review quote from Matco re: time and material instead of maintenance agreement. Discussion of cost effectiveness - Maintenance agreement vs. time and material. Discussion of when a maintenance plan would become more cost effective. Bill Foster stated that most of the problems have been electrical in nature and not the lights themselves. Also discussed getting quotes from contractors year to year looking for best price and quality of work.
- *Summer Recreation Program* – Discussion of the status of the program due to COVID-19. It is uncertain at this time. It was agreed if the program cannot run this year food services would still take place.

- *Street Drains* – Trustee Parmelee asked about repairing of street drains that are lower than the street. Inquired about options. Bill Foster suggested ordering risers to resolve the situation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion – Annie’s Place Business Permit –

Motion by Tomazin, second Reynolds. Carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #04-21

Appointment of DPW – MEO II position (Copy attached) – adopted with a motion by Alexander, seconded by Tomazin. Roll call vote. Alexander, Reynolds, Parmelee, Tomazin, Tornatore. -Yes. 0 - No. Carried.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS:

Mayor mentioned that communication has been a little weak lately is requesting that an effort be made toward better communication

Motion by Trustee Tomazin, seconded by Trustee Parmelee to adjourn at 8:15 PM. Carried

Pam Benthin
Clerk/Treasurer