



WATER RATE COMMITTEE - January 2nd 2018

Present: **Robert Stevens**, Chair; **John Frieman**; **Bill Foster**, DPW Supervisor; **James Tornatore**, Mayor.

Excused: **Merle Prentice**

Meeting called to order 7:10 PM by J. Tornatore

J. Tornatore Ladder Factory discussion of opening bids next wk. In theory project should be completed by end of March. It will take at least 6 months to be reimbursed from NYS. Will use B.A.N to pay for project until reimbursement comes in. Excitement and relief that this project is finally coming to fruition from all.

J. Tornatore LED Project discussion. J. Frieman voiced concerned about making sure there are replacement parts for these fixtures ordered at the time of the install. Concern due to current parts becoming obsolete quickly when new advancements in technology happen every year or so. J. Tornatore will bring up at board meeting to either buy new replacement parts to have on hand or put into the contract that upgrades to equipment be included.

J Tornatore current projects review: Ladder Factory, LED Light and Municipal Building Windows. Announced that the Village was turned down for the grant to have windows upgraded. Discussion about setting funds aside in the budget to pay for windows in a few years. Discussion to have the work sub-contracted out in small increments at a time can be cheaper than trying to do whole project at once. Discussion about one day selling the Municipal Building and moving the office to property on Whig Street.

J. Tornatore announced that he will be running for Mayor one last time then he is officially retiring.

Discussion of upcoming Soil/Water Flood Mitigation project. Slosson Creek- resident side wall deteriorating, Trout Pond's natural flow issues, and Cook St & Smullen Ave water run off issues. Cook St. running into Hollenbeck's. When Family \$ went in the lot was raised causing water flow issues that were unforeseen and not fully thought through. Residential expansion of Town uphill affects downhill Village. The big picture always needs to be thoroughly thought through and when coming up with a solution to a problem there needs to be a check process to see the domino effect that a fix might have on the big picture.

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J. Tornatore discussion of Village taking on Town Tax collection. Big sign that possible shared services agreement might be in the future i.e. Town plowing village streets. Discussion of consolidation of services. The Village is very forward thinking and open to change.

B. Foster Well Rehab project complete. 30 gals more per hour than before. New testing tube installed making testing easier, pump installed and calibrated. Well #3 rehab in budget to put away \$\$ so we don't have to pull from reserve as we did for Well #4.

J. Tornatore Playground equipment install recap.

J. Frieman distributed handouts to everyone for personal review.

Adjourned at 8:27 PM with a motion from R. Stevens, second J. Tornatore

Jessica Moore
Accounting Associate

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 6TH 2018

Meeting Fun Fact: 274 people have died in the Hoover Dam turbines (in the past 10 years), recently one inebriated man on vacation from Wales swam from Arizona across to Nevada and back in about a ½ hour, only approx. 160ft from the wall. The reservoir is 1,244ft across. The only reason the man survived was because 9 of the 10 turbines were off at the time of his adventure. He did not realize swimming was not permitted as there were no signs stating the fact. He was handcuffed and then ticketed \$330.00. The only reason he was not arrested was because he is the only person to have ever made it alive.