

June 8, 2015

A regular meeting of the Village Board held on the above date was called to order at 7:00 p.m at the Village Hall, 1 West Main Street, Clifton Springs, NY 14432.

Presiding: Bill Hunter, Mayor

Board Members Present: Melissa Kumkey, Dan Blondell, Earl Lincoln

Board Members Absent: Jeff Linsner

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of May 11, 2015 were approved upon motion by Trustee Lincoln 2nd by Trustee Blondell. All members present voted AYE. Carried.

Vouchers: General, Water and Sewer Vouchers #1 through #71, were approved for payment by Trustee Lincoln 2nd by Trustee Blondell. All members present voting AYE. Carried.

General Fund =	\$ 158,937.56
Water Fund =	\$ 30,599.92
Sewer Fund =	\$ 4,852.56

#### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO PERSONS ATTENDING THIS MEETING**

Robin & Garrett Russell, 15 Hibbard Avenue and Eileen Mance, 20 Hibbard Avenue appeared before the Board.

#### **Russell – 15 Hibbard Avenue - Dogs**

Robin and Garrett Russell, 15 Hibbard Avenue appeared before the Board because they received a letter from the Village regarding the number of dogs at their home. The Village code allows two dogs, any more than two dogs requires a special permit from the Board.

Discussion was held. Mrs. Mance stated she does not walk on that side of the street because of the dogs. Recently she saw one of the dogs come past the sidewalk. Mrs. Mance feels it is not fair that the neighbors have to cross the street. Mrs. Mance is also concerned about the barking noise from the dogs.

The Russell's are willing to move their electric fence back to the front porch line (further away from the sidewalk). If moving the invisible fence doesn't improve the situation, they are willing to install a solid fence. They will also go out with the dogs to try to reduce the barking and will make some changes within the house to help with this when they are not at home.

Trustee Blondell and Mayor Hunter explained that if the Board said the Russell's could only have two dogs, it is possible that this would not reduce the barking.

The Russell's agreed to send a letter asking for a special permit. They also agree to move the electric fence line back and to go out with the dogs to reduce the barking. The Board will review the letter at the next Board meeting and will make their final decision at that time.

#### **CORRESPONDENCES**

##### **Russell - dogs**

Copy of the letter sent to Robin Russell regarding the number of dogs at 15 Hibbard Avenue. The number allowed by code is two.

Reviewed under privilege of the floor.

Meeting of June 8, 2015 continued:

**Town of Manchester – proposal for 2<sup>nd</sup> full time Code Enforcement Officer**

Proposal from the Town of Manchester to hire another full time Code Enforcement Officer and the additional cost to each Village to accomplish this. There are two proposals; the 2<sup>nd</sup> proposal is the correct one, which includes an estimate for increase in health insurance and an adjustment to the full time employee salary.

Discussion was held on splitting the duties so one person did code enforcement and the other person did building –fire inspections. Motion was made by Trustee Blondell 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Lincoln to agree to two full time people, with one person being code enforcement and one person being building-fire inspector. Clerk Reals will inform Supervisor Gallahan. The Board is concerned the cost is getting too high and in the future may look for its own person to work on a part time basis.

**Liu – 22 Stephens –request for chickens and rabbits**

Letter from Sky Liu, 22 Stephens Street, requesting chickens and rabbits.

Discussion was held on this and the Board agreed to the following:

- 1) The permit is for no more than eight (8) chickens, and no roosters.
- 2) The chickens are to be housed behind your home in a shed/chicken coop. No free range chickens are allowed.
- 3) You may have no more than two (2) rabbits, which also need to be caged.
- 4) The permit is good for one year from June 2015 until June 2016. As a reminder the Village code reads as follows: Section 49.1A, of the Village Code “Such special permit may be granted for a period of one year unless it shall appear from complaints of neighbors or otherwise that the keeping of the animal in question is objectionable or offensive by reason of noise, smell or other cause. Such a special permit shall be revocable at any time by the Board of Trustees.”
- 5) After a one-year period, should the permit still be in effect, you are responsible to appear or write to the Board for the permit to continue.

**State Comptroller –review of 2% property tax cap**

Email from the State Comptrollers regarding the 2% property tax cap.

The State came and reviewed the calculations used to compute the 2% property tax levy. They found no problem with how the Village was calculating this.

**Planning Board minutes from 5-3-2015**

Copy of the Planning Board meeting minutes from May 3, 2015.

Reviewed.

**Patrick King passes Basic Labs course**

Copy of Certificate of Completion for Patrick King, on successfully passing Basic Labs.

Reviewed. Discussion was held and the Board agreed to increase the hourly rate of Pat King to \$14.00 per hour. All members present were in agreement with this.

**Town of Manchester – public hearing regarding a special use permit on Route 96**

From the Town of Manchester, notice of a public hearing to be held on June 16, 2015.

Reviewed.

Meeting of June 8, 2015 continued:

**YMCA agreement**

Copy of the annual agreement with the YMCA.

Trustee Blondell offered the following 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kumkey:

**WHEREAS**, the Village desires to enter into a contract with the YMCA Youth Program whereby the YMCA Youth Program will provide organized recreational programs to the youth of the Village, and

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**NOW THERFORE BE IT AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The YMCA Youth Program agrees to furnish organized recreational programs to the youth of the Village for the sum of \$18,450 (\$14,184 from the Village of Clifton Springs, \$1,500 from the Town of Phelps, \$2,766 from the Town of Manchester) for the fiscal year beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2015, such sum to be paid to the YMCA on or about the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2015.
2. In consideration of the furnishings of organized recreational programs, the Village agrees to pay the YMCA the sum specified in paragraph one at the time so specified.
3. The YMCA agrees that the YMCA is restricted from using any of the above said funds to subsidize or off set in anyway the YMCA Child Care Program, including before and after school care and summer day sessions that families pay for.

All members present voting AYE. Carried.

**Library Annual Agreement**

Trustee Blondell offered the following 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kumkey:

WHEREAS, the Village desires to enter into a contract with the Library whereby the Library will furnish such Library privileges to the people of the Village, and

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**NOW THERFORE BE IT AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Library agrees to furnish Library privileges to the people of the Village for a sum of \$13,000 for the year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2015, such sum to be paid to the Library on or about the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2015.
2. In consideration of the furnishings of such Library privileges by the Library, the Village agrees to pay the Library the sum specified in paragraph one at the time so specified.

All members present voting AYE. Carried.

**STREET DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Kumkey reported the following:

**Miscellaneous items**

The crew is working on a number of items. The crew will be starting sidewalk on Ladue Avenue this week. The new 2015 Ford F350 pickup truck should arrive soon. The crew did a great job with clean up from the Sulphur Springs Festival.

Meeting of June 8, 2015 continued:

The crew will begin using a leave blower at the tennis and basketball park. Supervisor Lannon is working on estimates for new radio's that need to be in place by 2018.

**SEWER DEPARTMENT:** Mayor Hunter had nothing to report.

**WATER DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Blondell reported the following:

**Miscellaneous items**

The fire hydrant flowing at G.W. Lisk will take place this week. The fire hydrant near 57 Stephens Street was leaking and was replaced.

**ZONING & PLANNING DEPARTMENTS:** The Boards continue to work on updating the codes. See Planning Board meeting minutes under correspondences.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Linsner was not present.

**PARK – YOUTH DEPARTMENT:** The park walk thru was completed by Jason Lannon, Lori Reals and David Hamilton. Each person will be responsible for completing some improvement items at the park.

**Park Damage**

Recently there was damage done in the men's restroom at the park. Chief Scott Upchurch has spoken to the youth that did the damage. Chief Upchurch will follow up on this. All damage was repaired on the day it occurred.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Lincoln reported the following:

Chief Upchurch provided the July schedule.

**MAYOR HUNTER REPORT:** Mayor Hunter had nothing to report.

**CLERK REALS REPORT:** Clerk Reals had nothing to report.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Transfer of Funds**

Motion was made by Trustee Lincoln 2nd by Trustee Blondell that Clerk Reals be and she is hereby authorized to transfer funds between the following appropriations as follows:

Increase A3410.4 by \$27,440.00 from donation-reimbursement from the fire department for gear purchases.

All members present voting AYE. Carried.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion made by Trustee Lincoln 2nd by Trustee Blondell to adjourn. All members present voting AYE. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A. Reals  
Clerk/Treasurer