

Village of Sherman –Regular Board Meeting
Village Office-111 Mill St
July 5th, 2017

Present: Deputy Mayor Gratto, Trustees: Reyda and Higginbotham
 Others: Jay Irwin, Doug Crane, Clerk Ramm, Colleen Meeder, Janet Dawley, Brian Bates, Rick Ayers, David Prenatt, Deb Prenatt and John Patterson

Deputy Mayor Gratto called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Deputy Mayor Gratto welcomed the former Mayor, John Patterson, and thanked him for his many years of service. He thanked him for all that he has done for the Village of Sherman, the residents of the Village, and the Yorker Museum. Deputy Mayor Gratto then presented Mr. Patterson with a plaque recognizing his ten years of service. Mr. Patterson recounted various highpoints from his years of service and commended the Village employees for their cooperation, dedication and good work.

RESOLUTION #1: On motion made by Trustee Reyda and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to accept the June 7th, 2017 Board meeting minutes as submitted.

AYES: All

NAYES: 0

JAY IRWIN:

ENGINEERING STUDY: Mr. Irwin stated that he intended to apply for two grants to cover the engineering study. We will have to thoroughly check our INI (Inflow and Infiltration) which requires us to physically check every manhole in the village. A lot of water is coming in through the manhole covers and pipes and we will determine exactly where once we've checked all 154 manholes. With this last heavy rainfall, we went from 30,000 gallons of sewer water to roughly 80,000 gallons, so we need to find out exactly where this excess water is coming in. The engineering study will enable us to identify and address this problem. The deadline for the grant is July 28th so a public meeting will need to be held before that date.

RESOLUTION #2: On motion made by Trustee Reyda and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to have a public hearing here in the Village Office on Thursday, July 20th at 5pm.

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

DOUG CRANE:

STREETS: National Grid has started replacing the old street lights with the new LED lamps.

WATER: Mr. Crane reported that they'd replaced the corrugation piping, and cleared a blockage between Napa and the old Ford garage, as well as putting in a new drop inlet on the other side of the parking lot. The leak on the Chase property near the antique shop is mended, but will need to be replaced in a few months. Mr. Crane said the quote for the new water pipes, including the

pipng for the new county project, is \$30,000. We are going to replace the pipes on Kipp Street from Main to Park, from French Creek to Hayes, and Hayes to Morris. We have \$15,000 in our current operating budget plus what's coming in from taxes on releived water accounts, but we will need to move money out of our CD reserves to make the purchase. Any piping used on the Chautauqua County project will be reimbursed once the project is complete, as per our agreement with them.

RESOLUTION #3: On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve the purchase of new water piping at the quoted price of \$30,000.

AYES: 3 Higginbotham, Reyda, Gratto

NAYES: 0

RESOLUTION #4: On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve moving \$17,000 from the CD into the Water Fund.

AYES: 3 Higginbotham, Reyda, Gratto

NAYES: 0

CLERK

Checking Account (07/04/2017) - \$226,197.65

CD Balance - \$133,535.26

This month's vouchers include the check for the Stanley Hose Company for the fire contracts amounting in \$95,783.14.

RESOLUTION #5: On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve Voucher #2 submitted for \$109,340.70 for July 2017.

AYES: 3 Higginbotham, Reyda, Gratto

NAYES: 0

OLD BUSINESS:

YOUTH FUND: The Village, the Town and the Sherman Central School each provide \$2,500 to the Sherman youth fund. SCS gives half to the Village and half to the Town which is why our contribution is \$3,750 because it includes the School's share.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARTIAL TAX PAYMENTS: Deputy Mayor Gratto read a letter from James Caflisch, Director RPTAX, regarding municipalities each passing a resolution to accept partial tax payments. Discussion ensued, but no resolution was made.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: Trustee Higginbotham suggested that both employees and Board members review the current handbook, so that we can update it at a later meeting.

RESOLUTION #6 On motion made by Trustee Reyda and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to move into executive session at 7:44pm.

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

RESOLUTION #7 On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to exit executive session and adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM.

AYES: 3 Higginbotham, Reyda, Gratto

NAYES: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Ramm

Clerk/Treasurer