

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
October 15, 2024
7:00 PM

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Painted Post was called to order by Mayor Foster 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Foster, Deputy Mayor Manning, Trustee Elsey, Trustee Lecher, OIC Copp, Fire Chief Button, DPW Superintendent Smith and Clerk Names.

ABSENT: Trustee Yama

MINUTES: of the September 9, 2024 meetings were approved with a motion made by Deputy Mayor Manning, seconded by Trustee Elsey and carried

POLICE REPORT: September report submitted by OIC Copp as follows:

Traffic Arrests: Total of 2

1 Radar, 0 Moving Violations, 0 DWI Violations, 1 Suspensions/Revocations, 0 All Other.

Complaints: Total of 58

0 Felony, 6 Misdemeanors, 6 Violations, 5 Vehicle & Traffic, 6 CPPMS, 1 Animal, 0 Domestic, 7 Local Law Violation, 1 Stolen Property Cases, 1 Found Property Cases, 16 Miscellaneous, 0 Syringes and 0 Pause Investigations.

Assistance/Services Rendered: Total of 54

23 Citizen/Motorist, 4 AMR., 2 PP Fire Dept., 1 E.I.D. Alarms, 0 Missing Persons, 0 Open Door, 0 Mental Health Transports, 8 Check the Welfare, 0 Vacation Property Checks, 2 Steuben Co. Sheriff, 2 NY State Police, 0 Corning Police, 0 Other Agencies, 1 DA Office, 1 Dept. of Public/Works, 0 US Government, 10 Other agencies.

Parking Tickets: Total of: 1

0 for 12am to 6am Parking Enforcement, 1 Other.

Cases Adopted/Closed: Total of – 11

0 Felony, 6 Misdemeanors, 0 Drug Interdiction, 5 Violations, 0 Mental Health, 0 Warrant/FOA.

Accidents: Total of 5 - 1 Personal Injury, 4 Property Damage, 0 Other.

Total Calls for Service: 130

5N01 - MILEAGE: 451 Miles

5N02 - MILEAGE: 499 Miles

Assisted code enforcement.

FIRE DEPT.

REPORT: September submitted by Fire Chief Button as follows:

Total number of calls for the month was 20

0 False Alarms, 4 MVA/Rescues, 3 Service Calls, 1 Vehicle Fires, 0 Searches, 0 Chimney Fires, 1 Structure Fires, 0 Grass/Brush/Wood Fires, 0 Hazardous Conditions, 0 Vehicles Leaking Gas, 0 Hazmat, 0 Storm/Flooding, 6 C.O./Fire Alarm Activation, 3 Mutual Aid Fire, 0 Mutual Aid MVA, 2 Mutual Aid AMR

Total in Service Hours: 178

Average Fire Fighters Per Call: 12

Training Certifications: 0

In Service Hours to Date: 2,156.5

Total Number of Calls to date for the Year – 15

No major repairs to the Fire equipment and no reported injuries.

Chief 2800 –J. Button responded to 80% of the calls for the month.

Chief 2801 –L. Smith responded to 90% of the calls for the month.

Chief 2802 –D. Smith responded to 95% of the calls for the month.

Fuel Usage: Gas – 52.6 gallons Diesel – 34.8 gallons

Department monthly training consisted of firefighter skills.

Department performed monthly apparatus and equipment checks.

Department attended the 911 remembrance ceremony at the First Responder Park in Gang Mills.

Department provided funeral services for retired Rescue Captain Larry Marcellus, a 29 year member.

DPW REPORT: September 2024 report submitted by Superintendent Smith as follows:

Water Treatment and Distribution System

Water levels at wells are at: **Well # 2 – 41'**, **Well # 3 – 26'** & **Well # 4 – 42'** of water above the pump.

Water service at 340 E. High St turned off as requested by owner.

Crew replaced leaking water service @ 441 West High St.

Crew completed quarterly water meter reading for the Village

Water service @ 577 W. High turned off. Leak on owner's side.

Crew attended water operator training held in Hammondsport.

Crew performed water system operations for the Village of Riverside.

Sanitary Sewer Treatment and Collection System

Crew completed monthly jet cleaning of problem areas of the sanitary sewer collection system.

Crew continued sludge pressing operations at the WWTP.

Covid-19 sampling for the state continues at the WWTP.

Crew began replacement of valves on discharge side of raw influent pumps at the WWTP.

Construction of the disinfection project at the WWTP continues. Two employees continue WWTP Operator training under the NYS Rural Water apprenticeship program.

Village Streets and Walkways

Crew picked up of leaves and brush.

Crew began stump grinding operations throughout the Village. Stump grinder provided by the Corning DPW

Crew swept streets throughout the Village of Painted Post.

Crew stripped crosswalks within the newly paved project area.

Construction contractor completed milling and paving of streets. Town of Corning & Erwin hauled millings

Crew provided traffic control during the milling and paving operations.

Crew milled areas around manholes, catch basins and water valve boxes within the milled areas.

Crew repaired street lights along W. Water and tunnels lights along bike path.

Buildings and Grounds

Crew hauled weekly trash from Village facilities.

Crew performed weekly equipment safety checks.

Crew continued trimming and mowing operations.

Crew cleaned pavilion for rentals on 3 occasions.

Contractors completed air monitory and asbestos removal at the Village Hall.

Crew continued weeding flower beds and planters.

Equipment Maintenance

Performed maintenance and repairs on DPW, FD and PD equipment.

Serviced and cleaned equipment.

Village Cemeteries

Two burials for the month.

Crew continued trimming and mowing operations.

Water turned on at both cemeteries.

Village DPW

Crew continues additional services for the Village of Riverside.

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FINANCIAL/

BUDGET REPORT: No Changes

CLERKS REORT: All accounting is current, balanced and reconciled. Monthly reports for September have been completed and given to the mayor, board members and department heads.

As of 9/30/2024, we have collected \$1,337,178.14 in taxes and penalties. We currently have 29 properties that remain outstanding which total \$35,142.96. At the end of October, any tax bills that remain unpaid will be sent to Steuben County Finance Dept. to be re levied on the town and county tax bills in January.

Pam and I have been working with NYS Retirement to achieve our gold status. As a result of this several Civil Service RPC's (report of personnel change) needed to be completed for numerous employees for the NYS Retirement System.

I continue to work with Jaden Beck of NYSERDA and Lisa from C.J. Brown Energy to fulfill the requirements and documentation needed to receive our \$10,000 CEC grant to upgrade the lighting here in this building.

Several tax searches were completed for properties selling in the Village.

PLANNING BOARD

REPORT: Call To Order: 5:19 PM

OLD BUSINESS: MINUTES: Motion to approve 06/05/2024 and 08/07/2024 made by Scott Swimley, seconded by Travis Gasa, no discussion, vote carried.

NEW BUSINESS: 208 N. Hamilton St. realty information presented by Scott Swimley. Shared a colleague's opinion on the former DR Engineering building as well as pictures. Discussion: Seems to be listed above market value

Vacant probably 20 years

Ideas from foundry site could be applied to this property.

Properties in Village Square are also on the market

Would be good to share these other village properties Village Board members interested in increasing Village income.

Storage facility follow-up: code enforcement has been over to the site and has been generally persistent, so we have reason to believe the process is going smoothly. Important to know that Code Enforcement is not credentialed to survey a site.

Clean Energy Communities update from Anne Names: discussed \$10,000 grant with NYSERDA recently and it had to be resubmitted to correct an issue of how employees are counted.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. The Village Board approved the "Contractor's Application for Payment" to Vacri Construction in the amount of \$90,631.54 and \$10,412.50 to Hunt Engineers for work done on the WWTP Disinfection Improvements.

Motion to approve was made by: Trustee Elsey, 2nd by Trustee Lecher and carried.

2. The Village Board approved Change Order #1 from Hunt Engineers for the WWTP Improvements Project.

Motion to approve was made by: Trustee Lecher, 2nd by Deputy Mayor Manning and carried.

3. Village Board approved the update to the Personnel Policy with regards to returning back to work following a Workers Compensation injury.

Motion to approve was made by: Deputy Mayor Manning, 2nd by Trustee Lecher and carried.

4. The Village to purchase both fire trucks for \$2.9 million. In doing so, this will save the Village a minimum of over \$300,000, if we were to wait and purchase the second truck in three years as previously approved at our August board meeting.

Motion to approve was made by: Deputy Mayor Manning, 2nd by Trustee Elsey and carried.

5. Village Board approved the Halloween parade on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 6:00 pm, any child wishing to participate in the parade should meet at the Indian statue by 6:00pm.

Also, Halloween “Trick or Treating” in the Village will be Thursday October 31, 2024 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

Motion to approve was made by: Deputy Mayor Manning, 2nd by Trustee Lecher and carried.

**SUSPEND ORDER
OF BUSINESS:**

Motion made by Trustee Elsey, 2nd by Trustee Lecher, and carried by all.

**PUBLIC
COMMENTS:**

Dave Peris of 504 W. High St. commented on the cost of school taxes.

Wallace Marribitt of 440 W High St. stated that it was nice to see how busy the park has been over the summer, “like the olden times”. He also thanked Rob Manning for the talent and drive he has and for making things happen in the Village.

**RESUME ORDER
OF BUSINESS:**

Motion made by Trustee Lecher, 2nd Trustee Elsey and carried.

**TRUSTEE
COMMENTS:**

Trustee Elsey stated she agreed with Wally said.

Trustee Lecher said he feels good about the Village.

Deputy Mayor Manning thanked Mike Clark of Kiwanis for supporting the Halloween event. He also thanked Jessica Smith for all her help this summer, especially with the summer program and the fire department for letting him sit in on their meeting.

AUTHORIZATION: to pay audited bills for the Village on a motion made by Trustee Elsey and seconded by Trustee Lecher and passed.

	<u>Abstract #6(Sept.)</u>	<u>Voucher #</u>		<u>Abstract #7(Oct.)</u>	<u>Voucher #</u>
General Fund:	\$ 33,854.73	193 – 198		\$215,036.57	199 - 253
Water Fund:	\$ 53.21	87		\$ 10,053.17	88 - 111
Sewer Fund:	<u>\$ 33.02</u>	86 - 87		<u>\$ 20,269.23</u>	89 - 112
TOTALS:	\$ 33,940.96			\$245,358.97	

GRAND TOTAL: \$ 279,299.93

A motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Mayor Manning and seconded by Trustee Lecher at 7:36 pm and carried.

Respectfully submitted by Anne Names, Clerk-Treasurer