

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH COLLINS BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, September 19TH, 2016 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Mayor Vincent George called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Vincent George Attorney Richard Schaus
Clerk Jan Hutchinson Trustee Kathleen Myers
Trustee Melvin Bley Trustee Corinne Leone

Excused: Trustee Karen Denne
Absent: Student Rep Angela Filkov

Motion by Trustee Karen Denne seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to accept meeting minutes from August 15th, 2016 Monthly Meeting. Carried

Visitors:
Gary Cooper, Debi Lincoln, Jo Bellezza

Mayor:

Halloween hours for 2016 in the Village of North Collins will be Monday, October 31, 2016 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Highlights from the Langford Fire Department report.

Celebrate North Collins request for a basket to support the Library, trustees and various staff will personally donate \$10 each toward gift cards from Village businesses; Trustee Denne will build into a nice basket.

North Collins High School Homecoming request to participate in Homecoming parade; Trustees Bley and Leone will march with the Mayor; the Village will provide 2 Police officers to assist with traffic control (Rt 62/Main Street will be closed during parade).

Residents request for a tree: email request to replace previously provided tree that is diseased; refer to Mike Perry for replacement in the spring.

Liquor License Notice submitted by Shelly's Convenience;
• Motion by Trustee Kathleen Myers seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone to approve renewal application for Shelly's Convenience, Carried.

National Grid Clean Energy letter was read but it really does not pertain the Village at this time.

Department of Transportation Clean Air Act Notice of Funds letter was read, ideas were discussed: a bike path on School Street from Main Street to the Elementary School, application are due by October 21st.

Erie County Master Plan Funding email was read, \$45,000 available to pay for consultant, any over that amount to develop new plan would be the responsibility of the Village. Will watch for more information.

Rural Transit Service request letter was read;
• Motion by Trustee Corinne Leone seconded by Trustee Kathleen Myers to sign onto the van program for the 2017-218 CDBG year.

Lead testing update article read; according to the Governing.com article, School districts are to report the results to parents as well as local and state officials.

Making the Tax Cap Work article from NYCOM was highlighted concerning the 2017 cap for the vast majority of municipal governments: .68%

- Motion by Trustee Kathleen Myers seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to pay the Annual Dues for NYS Municipal Finance Officers for Clerk/Treasurer. Carried.

Mueller Systems Radio Frequency Safety information flyers were distributed to all Trustees in case residents are curious about the effects of the meters/radio transmitters.

- Motion by Trustee Melvin Bley seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone to push a water line under Langford Road to Forever Green business (formerly Mecca Brothers). Carried.

Discussion concerning a letter to be sent to residents who did not comply to previous request to have their water meter updated. Clerk will write letter and send to Attorney for approval.

- Motion by Trustee Melvin Bley seconded by Trustee Kathleen Myers to send letter regarding adopted policy to charge a quarterly surcharge and installation fee to cover the extra time it will take the DPW to perform the services unless they schedule the time to have their meters changed in October by SAKS. Carried.

Received complaints from residents (two present) concerning their high water bills this quarter; Six accounts reviewed and adjustments to same quarter previous year made. Any other requests need to approach the board at the next meeting.

- Motion by Trustee Kathleen Myers seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to adjust requested water bills. Carried.
- Motion by Trustee Kathleen Myers seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to suspend this quarters water late payment fees until November 1st, 2016. Carried.

Reviewed NYCOM Summary of Enacted and Pending Legislation from conference.

- Motion by Trustee Melvin Bley seconded by Trustee Kathleen Myers for Attorney Schaus to create an agreement for the Village of North Collins DPW to plow and maintain the Eden-North Collins Food Pantry property. Carried.

Milling will begin this week on Woode and Front Streets.

Community Development sidewalk project will begin this week.

Major water break happened on School Street near Front; was an old line.

TRUSTEES REPORT:

Trustee Denne –Excused

Trustee Bley – Mentioned that he has been asking volunteer firemen from North Collins and Lawtons and the possibility of a merger between the fire companies does not seem very positive. Looking into the possibility of the Emergency Squad and Fire Department on one property maybe in one building. Would like to get top leaders to sit down/meet to see where everyone stands on this important issue. Mentioned that he was informed that the Architect would be sending plans for the revisions to the existing firehouse doors. The North Collins Fire Company recently won the Erie County Fireman’s Association Overall Championship in Baseball for the first time in 46 years. The Mayor will send a letter of congratulations.

Trustee Leone – No update on the auction business on Spruce Street. Celebrate North Collins meeting: Schoolhouse #8 will have free popcorn. North Collins Veteran’s Site Tribute is promoting their fundraiser. Very nice event last weekend when the Mayor gave a speech at the Food Pantry Dedication Ceremony. Sent pictures to Jan to post on Village website. Brought up a property on Spruce Street that needs to have Code Enforcement look into it. Clerk will pass along the information.

Trustee Myers – Everyone did an excellent job at the Food Pantry. Again has no dog report; she will set up a meeting. Would like to explore amending the local law for sidewalks when there is new residential construction. Attorney Schaus will look into it and write up a proposed amendment.

- Motion made by Trustee Kathleen Myers seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone to approve payment of Bills: Total August 16 – September 19 expenditures \$97,775.65. Carried
- Motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. by Trustee Kathleen Myers seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone. Carried

Minutes submitted by

Janet L. Hutchinson, Clerk/Treasurer
