

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH COLLINS BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, November 20th, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Mayor George began the Public Meeting to update Board and Community on the progress of the Village's Comprehensive Plan at 6:00pm.

Brief details from Plan presentation: 8 Steering Committee members attended (Mayor Vincent George, Superintendent Scott Taylor, Marie Thornton, Dicci Montaldi, John Mrozek, Jan Hutchinson, George Jablonski, Mike Perry); 9 other members of Board and Community were also in attendance (Trustees Corinne Leone, Melvin Bley, and Karen Denne, Jo Bellezza, Richard Schaus, Carol Montaldi, Brenda Bauer-Petrus, Brandi LoBianco, Rich Cooper); Community members completed 66 surveys in the 6-month period that it was open; Four Big Picture projects were discussed—Revitalize Main Street, Engage the Community, Revitalize the Neighborhoods, and Create Jobs; the Village was presented with printed graphics containing details of each project.

Mayor George called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:39pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Vincent George Attorney Richard Schaus
Trustee Melvin Bley Trustee Karen Denne
Trustee Corinne Leone Clerk Jan Hutchinson**

Excused: Trustee Kathleen Myers

Motion by Trustee Corinne Leone seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to accept meeting minutes from the October 16th Public Hearing as presented. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Karen Denne seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone to accept meeting minutes from the October 16th Regular Meeting as presented. Carried.

VISITORS:

**Rich Cooper
Brandi LoBianco
George Jablonski
Jo Bellezza
Mike Perry
Brenda Bauer-Petrus
Scott Taylor
Dicci Montaldi
John Mrozek**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Code Enforcement – Phil Tremblay submitted written report that was read

DPW – Mike Perry apologized for not getting to Spruce Street and to Valone Avenue—he is still working on both; Valone Avenue will be an extensive fix due to Erie County Sewer needing to be involved; Gave 'Thank you' to the Boy Scouts—they did a great job on the Gazebo; the DPW staff will finish the temporary stairs and railings next week and they will be completed in the spring at which time he will also start looking for donations for the roofing materials; So far in 2017, the DPW has repaired 8 DI's with three more to do; in the spring, the new flag pole for the Village Park can be installed; Ehmke just finished resurging Well #3—was pumping 160 gallons per minute now pumps 4-500 gallons per minute—this is a Super well; The new insulation and heaters at the DPW garage are working wonderfully—clerk states that the difference is already showing on the electric bills and will do a study through the winter to document savings; the water tower will be painted in the spring; three surplus items have been sold at the online auction and picked up; all vehicles are ready for winter; one more week of leaf and brush pickup then the salter will be mounted on the pickup.

Fire – Jim Miller submitted a written report that was read and kept on file

Police – Rich Cooper submitted a written report and attended to provide details; Town of North Collins had a recognition ceremony to award the PD with trophy; the NCPD are currently on a reduced schedule for the winter; all officers have certified with

weapons training; all officers have been trained with Narcan; Administrator Cooper is anticipating that in December or January both vehicles will be equipped with the Tracks Automatic ticket entry system at no cost to the Village; Police Policies have been updated to how things are done now; Police Evaluations have also been updated; Administrator Cooper has been asked to speak at the Academy in the spring.

Dog Control – written report has been submitted

MAYOR:

NYCOM email re: Signed Legislation for Volunteer firefighters; municipalities are required to find this mandate effective 2019; not yet certain about the actual cost to our Village.

Charter Communication has announced some discontinued channels to our local lineup

As mentioned in DPW report, surplus items have been sold through Auctions International. Total proceeds from these sales is \$5,900.

November Sales Tax remittance is in and is 2.71% Year-to-date over the last year.

NYS DOT upcoming work: In 2019, there will be scheduled culvert, drainage sweepings, and railroad crossing work done.

Open Meeting Law information was forwarded to the Mayor by Attorney Schaus and the guidelines were reported to the board. Some municipalities have been abusing Executive session guidelines so those were detailed concerning what topics were permitted for Executive Session—must follow those 7 specific topics.

Gross Receipts and Utilities Audit update: National Grid currently owes the Village approximately \$2,700 and that is just the Utility audit—more information will be forthcoming concerning the Gross Receipts audit.

Be it RESOLVED to authorize the Town of North Collins to coordinate a Community Tree Lighting Parade December 8th at 7pm starting at the North Collins High School on School Street, traveling down Main Street (Route 62) to end at the Village Park located at 10595 Main Street. Motion made by Trustee Melvin Bley seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone to adopt said resolution. Carried.

Motion to approve Vacation Request of Paul Parnitzke for the dates of March 24 through April 8, 2018 made by Trustee Karen Denne seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone. Carried

RESOLVED, the village clerk, mayor, and attorney are authorized to renew the BAN on the North Collins DPW Trackless Municipal Vehicle in the amount of \$84,000 at the current interest rate effective December 2, 2017. Motion made by Trustee Corinne Leone seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to adopt said resolution.

RESOLVED, the village clerk, mayor, and attorney are authorized to renew the BAN for the Water Meter replacement project in the amount of \$90,000 at the current interest rate effective December 15, 2017. Motion made by Trustee Melvin Bley seconded by Trustee Karen Denne to adopt said resolution.

RESOLVED, the village clerk, mayor, and attorney are authorized to renew the BAN on the North Collins Police Car and Dump Truck in the amount of \$48,000 at the current interest rate effective December 29, 2017. Motion made by Trustee Karen Denne seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone to adopt said resolution.

Hamburg Camp Auto Sales has offered to change the oil in the Police cars free of charge as a thank you for the excellent service provided to the Village.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Bley – mentioned that the Fire and EMS situation has been resolved; good to have a shower in the fire hall; Main Street is really starting to look good—house at corner of Main and Vermont is already a great improvement; still looking for more improvements in the future to make the entire village look good; The Fire Company's meat raffle had a great turnout.

Trustee Denne – There will be a North Collins Tree Lighting Parade on December 8th at 7pm starting at the high school; she is working with the Town Recreation Department to coordinate this Town-wide event that will also include the tree lighting in the gazebo and a mitten drive. Trustee Leone commented that perhaps the Village could do a Graham Cracker House event with Explore & More Museum in conjunction with the Town event. Denne and Leone will work

together to get this to happen.

Trustee Leone – Excited to be part of the Town holiday event; There have been many good ideas to help move the Village forward.

Motion made by Trustee Karen Denne seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley to approve Payment of Bills for the Oct/Nov Abstract #6 in the amount of \$ \$159,406.52.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Trustee Corinne Leone seconded by Trustee Melvin Bley at 7:21pm. Carried.

Minutes submitted by

Janet L. Hutchinson, Clerk/Treasurer
