

Village of Portville

Board Meeting

April 16, 2019

Present: Anthony Evans, Mayor
Joseph McLarney, Deputy Mayor
Francisco Morales, Trustee
Vincent Pascucci, Trustee
Kristen Harriger, Clerk/Treasurer
Shawn Recktenwald, Officer in charge
TJ Shaw, DPW Superintendent

Absent: Michael DeBarbieri, Trustee

Attendees: Sydney Evans
Becky Johnstone
Bob Johnstone
Brad Chaffee
Janet Bell
Robert Fischer
Holly Fischer
Devon Bender
Dustin Frederick

Meeting opened with the pledge to the flag at _5:30__p.m.

MOTION: made to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing, 2019-2020
Budget Organizational Meeting held April 09, 2019.

Joseph McLarney 2nd: Vincent Pascucci **ALL AYES**

MOTION: made to approve Abstract #010 Voucher #379- #426 in the
amount of \$46,461.64

Joseph McLarney 2nd: Francisco Morales **ALL AYES**

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MOTION: made to approve the financial statement through March 31, 2019.

Francisco Morales

2nd: Vincent Pascucci

ALL AYES

Justice Report – placed on file.

Police Report – placed on file.

Officer in charge Shawn Recktenwald stated that all was quiet in the village. Body cams are in use. The Dodge was in the garage but is back in service now. Mayor Anthony Evans inquired if there is regularly scheduled maintenance being done on Police vehicles Shawn stated that there was. Shawn was thanked for his and his departments service to the village.

DPW Report – Hydrants have been repaired and 1 (one) replaced on Brooklyn St. the repair and replacement of hydrants throughout the village will continue as a schedule will be put in place between the Fire Chief Jeff Latten and DPW supervisor TJ Shaw assessing priority of hydrants that need the most repair or replaced soonest. The manpower and time is a concern with both parties, but they are continuing to make a proactive “plan of attack” to repair and replace all hydrants that are a concern.

The village has been clearing fallen trees through out the village as well as cutting fire wood for the shop. Equipment has been serviced in preparation for “spring cleaning” throughout the village. The little league field has been rolled and sticks have been picked up there as well as in the parks. A sound system has been purchased by DPW supervisor TJ Shaw for the Gazebo in the park to be used for Heritage Days, Weddings, General events, etc. the console will be removed from the park by the DPW when not in use.

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DPW supervisor TJ Shaw was asked how hydrant maintenance was going. TJ stated that the DPW had replaced a hydrant on Riley road this week. The board addressed TJ in regards to how the Village residents would be notified when water would be turned off for certain repairs. TJ stated that he notifies the fire department and will let the village office know so that information of outage could be placed on the village website.

Old & New Business:

We received our NY State Comptroller Fiscal Stress Monitoring System results. Which provides an objective assessment of the fiscal challenges facing individual local governments. A review of our 2018 Annual Update Documents (AUD) have been completed as a result our fiscal stress score for 2018 is 0.0. Down from 3.3 in 2017 and 6.7 in 2016.

The village "Clean Up Day" is tentatively scheduled for June 20, 2019. The village office will post flyers throughout the village and advertise it in the Olean Times Herald.

Mayor Anthony Evans addressed the board regarding:

-Park rental fees. At this time, it is a \$150 deposit to rent the park after the event the check is returned to the renter. Mayor Evans suggested that there should be some fee associated with renting the park. Trustee Joe McLarney stated that he agreed but felt that Village residents should not be charged sighting the fact that they are currently paying tax for park upkeep.

-The city of Olean has approached the Village to inquire whether we would be interested in acquiring the Christmas Santa shed at no charge. The board agreed pending cost to transport. Holly Fischer suggested to inquire with Dugan and Dugan to move the shed. Robert Fischer stated the shed could be used for storage of Christmas decoration in the off season.

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- The Bulson building 8 South Main St. What should be done with the building the mayor toured the interior and feels that the cost to repair the building would be exponential. The question stands whether to sell as is or demolish. Robert Fischer suggested to sell as is with a stipulation of a 5-year plan to repair and return to a business.
- Bricks on Main street need maintenance and cleaning. Mayor Evans inquired with DOT regarding clean up sighting that the State placed the bricks or if it could be done as an Eagle Scout projects.
- There was an inquiry placed to the county by Mayor Evans in regard to creating a land bank for the Village
- All community members, business owners, DPW, and board members are encouraged to create a "TO DO Projects" list to review what and which tasks can be done all input is welcome.
- Mayor Evans would like to extend thanks to Pfeiffer Nature Center for there pet Easter egg hunt and to the community for their cemetery beautification project the attends was much appreciated

Holly Fischer addressed the board about Pfeiffer Nature Center's bat program. County pesticide spraying program hurts the residents that are interested in being organic. A wild life vet will be speaking at the nature center about placing bat homes for residents that are interested April 25th 6:30 pm at the Portville Library. Houses are being sold 30 houses at \$15.

Crystal Torrey called the village office regarding a color run for her cub scout troop to be held August 17th the board requested that Crystal come to a meeting to inquire what the village can do to assist with this event.

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Sydney Evans addressed the board as representative on the Garden Club. The Garden Club would like to place and maintain flowers through out the village. The flowers will be purchased from Portville local Jonita Wilson's Farm stand. Syd requested a key to the park restroom to access water as well as tax empt. form for purchase of flowers. Board agreed to all requests.

Brad Chaffee addressed board in concern of hydrant repair, sale of garage on Barrett St., and children at play signs for Finch St. TJ Shaw assured Mr. Chafee that hydrant repair and replacement was under way. Also that the Barrett street property was in the process of a land survey to specify exactly what property the building sits on, and that Mr. Chaffee was welcome to place children at play signs on Finch St but that they are signs that must be put up and taken down in inclement weather and can not be maintained by the village.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at _____pm.

2nd:

ALL AYES

Joseph McLarney

Vincent Pascucci

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Harriger
Portville Village Clerk/Treasurer