

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Josh Stolzenburg.

Present at the meeting were: President Josh Stolzenburg, Trustee Mark Brueggeman, Trustee Walter Leppen and Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz,

Citizens present: Gale Gordon, Robert Bailey, Katy Bailey, Mark Pearson, Lisa Anderson, Deb Gordon,

Meeting was called to order.

Minutes for April 16th BOT meeting were presented by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz.

M/S, Leppen/Brueggeman, move to approve the April 16th Minutes, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's report submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz.

M/S, Stolzenberg/Leppen, move to pay the bills as presented by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz, all in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed. **Leppen** agreed to complete the Board of Review training prior to the BOR meeting. **Bootz** agreed to purchase the training materials.

Public Statements –

Gordon - Expressed concerns regarding moving forward with controversial topics, especially the village hall, while meetings are being held on-line.

Pearson – Agreed with **Gordon** that things are moving forward quickly and would like a more open discussion regarding issues, including the village hall.

Anderson – Indicated that she believes things should continue to move forward regarding village issues and decisions including the village hall and that delaying village business and priorities due to meeting being held remotely, was not necessary.

M/S Stolzenberg/Leppen moved to adopt resolution no. 2020.5.12 allowing the deferment of property tax on eligible properties until October 1st, all in favor, motion carried.

M/S Stolzenberg/Bruggeman to allocate up to \$5000, from the Village Hall fund, towards the design of a village hall. Stolzenberg spoke on the issues that the village faces in continuing to utilize the current village hall and facilities, including limited space, storage and voting facilities. Stolzenberg indicated that the Parks Commission has expressed support for the Village Hall, with the village park on Hwy SS as a possible location. **B. Bailey** spoke on the Park Committee's interest in working with the village to discuss how a village hall/community space could be developed at the park that would benefit the village residents. **Leppen** asked about what properties were being considered for the village hall and **Stolzenberg** clarified that the land being considered was an area in the park along Highway SS. **Bruggeman** expressed that the board and village residents do not have enough information to move forward with approving the village hall, but that allowing for design work to be completed would allow for the village board and residents to have a better understanding of the scope, benefit and cost of the project before making a decision. **Leppen** asked about whether ideas on remodeling the current buildings owned by the village had been explored and **Stolzenberg** indicated that they had not. **Stolzenberg** expressed the hope that providing funding to begin design work and

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the formation of an ad hoc committee focused on the village hall, would clarify some of these questions.

Bruggeman/Stolzenberg in favor and **Leppon** opposed, motion carried.

Stolzenberg discussed the appointment of an ad-hoc committee for village hall design. Member will be Lisa Anderson, Robert Bailey and himself. Interested individuals in this committee should express their interest to Josh.

Stolzenberg reviewed committee appointments including adding Amy Hussin to the planning commission with Judah Haas and Rubina Martini stepping down. Josh will also serve as chair of the planning commission.

BOR was scheduled for June 4th from 6pm until 8pm pending availability of the assessor. Date will be posted and published once it is confirmed.

Leppen discussed the plans to resurface/chipseal First Street and Welton Drive. A bid from Fahrner Asphalt Sealer was received last fall with the price of \$22570. **Leppen** expressed the opinion that the board approve to spend the funds to complete these projects using the funds currently on hand and reallocation of funds from various village funds. **Stolzenberg** expressed that the village was needing to look at the different projects facing the village including the project on 1st and Water. **Leppen** explained that the 1st and Water project may be eligible for an LRIP grant when the grant is available again. **Stolzenberg** suggested that the village should explore options for funding the project through a municipal loan and agreed to discuss this option with the International Bank of Amherst. **Leppen** agreed to contact Fahrner to clarify what their timeframe would be for being able to complete the project, this year.

GCAC Update – No Meeting

Water Commission – **L. Anderson** expressed that the village needs to maintain their commitment to the water committee. Results from the May testing were received and were sent to residents and will be posted on the village website. Ray Riser, the local County Supervisor, had requested to be on the water committee, but he was not allowed to switch onto the committee. County Supervisor, Chris Holman, is looking at options for addressing slow movement from the water committee on the County level. Water commission reviewed information on reducing nitrates and changes in agricultural practices over a historical period.

Park Commission – **R. Bailey** – Parks commission discussed the possibility of the village hall at the existing park and what they would like to see at a village hall including expectations regarding the hall. **Leppen** asked about invasive species that might be in the sanctuary and **Bailey** encouraged residents, who are familiar with native versus invasive species to work on removing these plants.

Plan Commission – Meeting scheduled for May 21st.

Fire Commission – No updates, but waiting on updates on possible expenses for the village for new equipment.

7:20pm, Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by: Daniel Bootz, Clerk/Treasurer