

March 19, 2020: Village Board Meeting  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting Sodus Point Village Board**

Mayor McDowell called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor McDowell, Deputy Mayor Kallusch, Trustee Appleby, Trustee Evans, Trustee DeWolf, CEO Druschel, Attorney Williams

Zoom attendance: Trustee Appleby and CEO Druschel  
Absent: Attorney Williams

**MOTION** by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee DeWolf to approve the February 20, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried all voting aye.

Public: 1 present

**Reports were given as follows:**

Mayor McDowell discussed the COVID19 precautions the Village is taking to protect employees and residents.

**Deputy Mayor Kallusch- Mayors updates, buildings**

**Trustee DeWolf- Wastewater, water, highway**

**Highway**

.With Spring around the corner and hopefully most of the winter behind us at this point we are gearing up for better weather. We've had a total of 56 plow trips for the year.

.We have serviced the majority of our equipment and we are now preparing to do the plow damage and clean up along the sides of the roads. Including some patching where it's needed.

.Brush pick up will be starting soon (April 6<sup>th</sup> ... we encourage everyone to take a look at the rules so that we can make this better for everyone.

**Waste Water**

.Flygt pump systems was here to do the preventive maintenance on all our pumps in the pump stations.

. We've ordered aluminum air diffusers and we're getting quotes for brass fittings for unit number two for refurbishment

. We removed 22 inches of supernatant from the Digester.

.Removed one of the old sludge pumps from the waste water treatment plan.

.We placed the order for the Sewer inspection camera.

And a reminder the gutters and sump pumps are a source of stormwater and should not be received in the sanitary sewer system.

**Water Dept.**

. All state reports and water samples completed

. Read all customer meters

. We had 4 outside repaired meter readings

. Five (5) stakeouts

. Four (4) new water meters installed

. Four (4) water turn off's

. Three (3) water turn on's

. Flushed all dead and hydrants

. Work is been done at the pump station. And pump repairs or replacement need to be addressed ASAP

### **Trustee Evans-**

#### **Fire, Ambulance, Communications, Youth & Recreation**

##### Fire

##### Calls:

- 2/14/2020 08:44AM- Structure fire- Defisher rd. Sodus
- 2/21/2020 06:14PM- Water Problem- 7th St.
- 2/28/2020 09:55PM- MVA- N Geneva rd
- 2/29/2020 10:28AM- Oder of gas- Rt 14
- 3/06/2020 12:47PM- Smoke detector- Bay St.
- 3/06/2020 05:42PM- Stand by for bomb squad- N Ontario St
- 3/10/2020 04:10PM- Structure Fire- Camp Beechwood
- 3/10/2020 04:22PM- Oder of gas- S Shore Rd
- 3/10/2020 05:37PM- MVA- Rt 14

\*Thursday 3/19 the SPFD will be hosting the Boy Scouts out of Sodus so they can get their fire safety badge. Sodus Point Fire Department would like to thank Fire Research & Technology for the generous donation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. If any Sodus Point residents are in need of either of these detectors please contact any Sodus Point Firefighter. (while supplies last)

##### Upcoming events:

- Ice Rescue for March 14 & 15 was cancelled due to lack of ice.
- Spring Banquet- April 18Th
- Mother's Day Chicken BBQ- May 10TH
- Old time baseball game- June 20th (weather permitting)

##### Ambulance

Total responses for 2020 -37 Calls are down from 2019

16 responses since the February Board meeting - 16

12 ALS assists 4 - BLS

We have been working on the COVID - 19 Care Guidelines that have come Via DOH, MLREMS and FLREMSC These are state and County Agencies. Care information is Displayed on the bulkhead of WN25 and in each PCR clipboard and in the base.

SWCAS has a good supply of care products for the COVID - 19 Virus. The suppliers are short of some required care products. Bill Liddle EMS 1 for Wayne County is working With FLREMSC to get supplies.

SWCAS has had 2- very serious MVA's some illness, falls and Hazardous conditions

##### Communications

- Zoom broadcast for remote access to the board meetings.
- Email jevans@soduspoint.info - will be update not the website. I would like to encourage anyone in the village with questions, concerns, input, or feedback to reach out.
- As of March 12, 2020 the village has updated the look of the e-blast and beginning April 6th will publish every Monday while we have the threat of high water.

##### Coming Soon

We are going to post the registration for the craft beer making class in the community center. We are targeting first Sunday June. The classes

will be held for 5 weeks. Goal is to teach students about brewing and make them self-sufficient home brewers. Minimum of 6 attendees, Maximum 20. If this is a big hit we might be able to run it again.

Neighborhood Association of Sodus Point has requested the Community Center for Bingo on the first Tuesday of every month going forward. Details will be added to the calendar as they become available.

**Trustee Appleby**  
**March, 2020 Commissioner Report**  
**Maxine Appleby**

**Streetlights:** Last week I reached out to RGE and the streetlight purchase agreement is in the final stages but Tim Heckman could not provide a date. Bou Reed has contacted the Village's streetlight manufacturer to see if a new lower watt LED bulb will work in the fixtures and is preparing a final report for board review. Brad resubmitted the streetlight outages to RGE, there are about 10 lights.

**Energy:** Under the NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities (CEC) program along with the grant Sharon Lilla wrote, the Village received an \$8,000 rebate for the installation of the two charging stations (4K each). (see attached program.) I am requesting we use the funds for a sign in front of the charging station and apply the balance to other upgrades to our buildings.

Last week I spoke on a WXII radio talk show with Green Spark Energy and the Villages of Parma and Brockport discussing solar initiatives and other renewable energy goals. All three villages went online January 1 with solar farms. Both Parma and Brockport are designated CEC. Both are at the same stage as Sodus Point with a streetlight buy-back. Brockport recently received a grant for an electric vehicle for their code enforcement officer and both villages have completed substantial clean energy upgrades to their municipal buildings. Brockport adopted a community solar aggregate program (CCA.) The CCA is where multiple **community** subscribers receive credit on their electricity bills for their share of the power produced. The program requires all residents to opt in or out. However, until the utility passes a combined billing Brockport's program is on hold because their residents will not support two bills.

The solar clean energy credits have thus far not appeared on our utility bills for the sewer plant. Green Spark is looking into this.

Tracy and I worked to cancel the ESCO NYG&E last year. They supplied gas to four of our municipal buildings. Last week it was discovered the fire hall was not canceled. After too many discussions without resolution for immediate cancellation and credit the Village was forced to file a complaint with the PSC. (see attached refund request.)

**LWRP:** The Committee has completed its review and will now set up interviews with two contractors.

**ATP:** The Active Transportation Plan is complete and can be viewed at the Village Office.

**Parks:**

I confirmed with NASP that \$4,000 is the correct amount for clock repairs and let Kathy Madison know that I put \$2,000 in the budget toward the project. Total fund request is \$10,000 that will go toward the completion of S. Ontario Canoe and Kayak launch area, upgrades to bathrooms in Willow Park, Visitor Kiosk upgrades and other amenities in the area.

Dave and I met with Sarah Costich last week to tour the area and review the requests from the committee members. Costich will be surveying this week and should have a preliminary site plan back by the end of April. Hopefully portions of the project can be scheduled before sandbagging begins.

Genesee Land Trust is applying for a grant to FL-PRISM for the removal of invasive species in Macyville Woods Nature Preserve followed by replanting with native species. The Village sent a letter of support.

CEO Druschel- Building Inspector's report

**Public Comments:**

NA

**Old Business:**

- A. **MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee DeWolf to approve the following  
**2019-3aRESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SODUS POINT VILLAGE BOARD**  
**MARCH 19, 2020**

**Name of Action or Project:** WA.30 Wickham Blvd and Greig Street

**Project Location:** Wickham Boulevard, Greig Street, Bay Street, Bay Street Extension, Clover Street, Irwin Street and Maiden Lane; Village of Sodus Point, Wayne County, New York

**Brief Description of Proposed Action:** The proposed WA.30 Wickham Blvd & Greig St project will provide drainage for flood waters and rainfall on Wickham Road, Bay Street Extension and Greig Street. The project will include new storm sewers on all streets listed, flood gates on storm sewers, pump stations, new curb, gutters and water quality features. A flood wall will be installed on the water side of Wickham Boulevard the ball field parking lot. Ancillary improvements will include new sidewalks, traffic calming, pedestrian safety, landscape, hard-scape, grading and road restoration and/or reconstruction. The flood wall will include decorative finishes and a will top seating/sidewalk that will connect the Village Center with the public beach.

**Name of Applicant:** Village of Sodus Point – Mayor David McDowell, 8356 Bay Street, Sodus Point, New York 14555

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Whereas having carefully considered all relevant documentary, testimonial and other evidence submitted, the Village Board makes the following findings:

- A. Upon review of the Proposal, the Village Board determined that the Proposal is subject to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York State Environmental Conservation Law, Article 8) and its implementing regulations (6 NYCRR Part 617, the “SEQRA Regulations”) (collectively “SEQRA”), and that the development of WA.30 Wickham Blvd and Greig Street was classified as an Unlisted Action.

In accordance with SEQRA, the Village Board (the “Village Board”) of the Village of Sodus Point was designated and continues to be the Lead Agency for the environmental review of WA.30 Wickham Blvd and Greig Street.

The Village Board has carefully considered environmental information that was prepared by the Village’s consultant, Costich Engineering, DPC, or the Village staff which included, but was not limited to: a written description of the proposal, Engineer’s Report, plans, profiles and detail sheets, Part I of the Full Environmental Assessment Form (the “EAF”) and supplemental information about the proposal (collectively, the “Environmental Analysis”).

The Village Board has also included in the Environmental Analysis and has carefully considered information recommendations and comments that may have resulted from telephone conversations or meetings or written correspondence from various involved and interested agencies, including, but not limited to: Village of Sodus Point Planning Board, Wayne County Planning, NYS Department of

Transportation, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, NYS Department of State, NYS Parks and Historic Preservation and the Village Staff.

The Village Board was also included in the Environmental Analysis and has considered information, recommendations and comments that have resulted from public information meeting, telephone conversations, meetings with and written correspondence from owners of properties, or from nearby properties, or other interested parties and all other relevant comments to the Village Board as of March 19, 2020.

The Village Board has completed Parts 2 and 3 of the EAF and carefully considered the information contained therein.

The Village Board has met with procedural and substantive requirements of SEQRA.

The Village Board has carefully considered each and every criterion for determining the potential significance of the proposal upon the environment, as set forth in SEQRA.

The Village Board has made a careful, independent review of the proposal and the Village Board determination is rational and support by substantial evidence as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED that, pursuant to SEQRA, based on the aforementioned information, documentation, testimony, and findings, and after examining the relevant issues, the Village Board's own initial concerns, and all relevant issues raised and recommendations offered by involved and interested agencies and the Town's own staff, the Village Board determines that the Proposal will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, which constitutes a negative declaration.

Motion carried all voting aye.

**B. MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee DeWolf to approve the following  
2019-3b RESOLUTION REGARDING: SODUS POINT BEACH RESTORATION PROJECT  
DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

WHEREAS, the Village of Sodus Point has been provided a grant award of \$480,000 under the State's Resiliency and Economic Development Initiative to address impacts due to high Lake Ontario water levels in 2017 and 2019 and potential future high lake water level;

WHEREAS, the Village is committed to protection of life, property and public enjoyment;

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.4 and 6 NYCRR §617.5, the Village reviewed the proposed action and determined that same is a Type 1 Action per 6 NYCRR Part 617.7 (b) (10);

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Village coordinated review of the action and notified both involved and interested agencies;

WHEREAS, the Village has found that the information necessary to review the significance of the project is now complete;

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.7 9 (c), the Village has reviewed the criteria for determining significance and makes the following findings:

- 1) the project seeks to address ongoing beach erosion and flooding in a positive manner through nature-based shoreline protection;
- 2) that the record high Lake Ontario water levels in 2017 and 2019 resulted in substantial flooding and related damage to the residential neighborhood fronting Lake Ontario restore the dune and beach natural resources is in the public interest and can be accomplished with minimal adverse impact;
- 3) impacts on fish and wildlife species are minimized by avoidance of sensitive periods and avoidance of submerged vegetated habitat alteration;
- 4) water quality impacts are minimized by the nature of the material to be dredged (nearly 100 percent sand) and use of methods designed to avoid re-entry of sediments into water ways;
- 4) the Village has coordinated with a specific beach advisory committee established to aid with the project review; and the USACE, USF&W, NYS DEC, NYS DOS, and NYS OPRHP with respect to protection of resources and permit requirements in developing the project;
- 5) the Village finds that the proposed project is consistent with its Master Plan and Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan and relevant policies;
- 6) the project seeks to sustain and expand recreational use of the beach and park land by providing for public access and use of enhanced beach and dune construction; and,
- 7) traffic impacts from heavy equipment is mitigated by avoiding construction during peak seasonal recreational use during summer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village as lead agency pursuant to the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR), specifically 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b)(3), with respect to the above-described action, does make a determination that the project will not have significant adverse environmental impact and hereby makes a Negative Declaration under SEQR, specifically as provided under 6 NYCRR Part 617.7.

Motion carried all voting aye.

**New Business:**

- A. MOTION** by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee DeWolf to approve the following  
**Resolution 2020-3c**  
**DESIGNATE MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE OFFICER**

**WHEREAS, the Village of Sodus Point (the "Village") was awarded a grant from the NYS Department of State Local Waterfront Revitalization Program ("LWRP") in the amount of \$82,500; and**

**WHEREAS, funding will be used to amend the Village of Sodus Point's 2012 Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan, develop a concurrent comprehensive plan and prepare supporting zoning updates; and**

**WHEREAS, as a condition of this award, the Village must designate a Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Officer ("MWBO") who is responsible for compliance relating to the participation of minority and women-owned business enterprises ("MWBEs") throughout the life of the above referenced project; now, therefore, be it**

**RESOLVED, that Tracy Durham, Village Clerk/Treasurer, is designated as MWBO for the Village of Sodus Point for the NYS Department of State funded update to the 2012 LWRP, the concurrent comprehensive plan and zoning updates, effective immediately**

Motion carried all voting aye.

- B. MOTION** by Trustee DeWolf and seconded by Trustee Evans to approve the purchase of a new ITT AC model 8100 pump to repair the obsolete model the water department has currently. The total amount to repair this model would be a total of \$13,192.00. The purchase price for a new pump is \$10,285.00. Motion carried all voting aye.
  
- C.** The Village board was given a copy of the changes to the Animal Control law Section 57 for review. A public hearing will be set for April 16<sup>th</sup> 2020.

**Treasurer:**

- A. MOTION** by Trustee DeWolf and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to approve payment of claims 3-1 through 3-47 for a total of \$61,236.61; General/Highway \$39,920.36; Water \$9,737.96; Wastewater \$11,578.29. Motion carried all voting aye.

**Other Business:**

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee DeWolf to move to executive session at 7:08pm to discuss the union contract negotiations

Motion carried all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee DeWolf to end executive session and move back to the regular meeting with no action to be made.

Motion carried all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee DeWolf and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to adjourn the meeting at 7:35PM

Motion carried all voting aye.

Next scheduled regular Board meeting will be on Thursday April 16, 2020 **at 6:30 PM**

Tracy B Durham  
Clerk-Treasurer