

October 17, 2019: 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, Attorney Williams, Trustee Appleby, Trustee Kallusch, Trustee Eckberg, CEO Druschel
Absent: Trustee DeWolf

MOTION by Trustee Eckberg and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to approve the September 19, 2019 regular meeting minutes.

Motion carried all voting aye.

Public: 15 present

Mayor

REDI Update – Announcements will be happening very soon. Illustrations of Wickham Boulevard are on the wall. The beach dune will be next.

Homeowner Financial Assistance Program – Applications due by October 31! Estimates and permits can happen later. Submit for everything you need.

Business Financial Assistance Program – Applications are coming out in November. The program will cover up to \$200,000 per business for resiliency projects. Business owners are responsible for 50%. ‘Municipality’ is responsible for 5% of the NYS contribution. There are still more questions than answers.

NYS DEC v IJC – The lawsuit seems to be focused on monetary reimbursements. It addresses immunity issue. Filed in Monroe County 10/9/19.

Wickham Blvd and Featherly Drive shoreline projects funded by a CDBG grant have been submitted to the DEC for permitting. We have confirmation from the permit group that they are reviewing them.

America Planner Association – Rochester Chapter meeting presentation with Jamie (GFLPC) & Mary (Sea Grant) regarding our flooding response and planning for the future.

Economic Development Committee reached out to 6 larger regional developers. Pyramid showed some interest and toured the village. Their feedback is: Flooding makes investors nervous, several sites need owner work to make them attractive, and local (organic) investor/developer will be most successful. Next step is to understand the ‘owner improvements’ and then work with the current owners.

Reports were given as follows:

Mayor McDowell-Wastewater, water, highway

Trustee Kallusch –Fire

Trustee Eckberg- Ambulance, parks and recreation, tourism

Community Center

The Holiday session of fitness classes begin next week and will continue through the third week of December. Michelle was not able to get sign ups to restart the men’s 8:00 AM group; she is still open to the idea if there is interest. Some of the men have joined the 9:00AM group or the boot camps where they are always welcome. The boot camps are held on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday are ongoing.

Yoga classes under the direction of Eva Hyatt are running Monday at 4:30 afternoons and Saturday mornings after boot camp at 9:15. Contact information for Eva is available on the village web site under Welcome: Community Center Activities

Information Center

The Information Center closed after the Columbus Day weekend. Visitor statistics should be available for the next board meeting.

Parks

Winterization of the parks and civic gardens should be completed by mid-November. The garden club has been busy pulling out the annuals and trimming back the perennials.

Macyville Woods Nature Preserve

A stewardship meeting for the Macyville Preserve was held at the Village Hall earlier this month. Stewardship of the area is a combined effort between the Genesee Land Trust and the village. The land trust owns and insures the property and maintains the property tax exemption. The Village is responsible for establishing an advisory committee, erecting and maintaining signs, maintaining parking places, and assisting with the removal of large trash. Joint work groups composed of Village residents and land trust members will mark and maintain the trails.

More information and trail maps are available on the Village website under Welcome: Attractions and on the Genesee Land Trust website geneseeandtrust.org under the section: Places We Preserve and Protect.

Trustee Appleby – Energy, LWRP, lighting and kayak launch

Energy: Wayne County LED Aggregated Streetlight Conversion Program: The Streetlight demonstration project has been delayed. NYPA installed a 3000K LED fixture and light adjacent to the Village Hall. The new light does not have frosted glass like the streetlights around the Village. It is very bright. The current fixtures around the village with frosted glass and blocking panels are the ones being converted with exception to the new lights and four 400W lights that cannot use retrofit kits. I have asked NYPA to order a retrofit kit and fix the current installation before a demonstration project is announced.

RGE / NYSEG – agenda item for a clean energy resolution for the purchase of streetlights and pole lease agreement that needs to go to the Public Service Commission.

Clean Energy Upgrades: Received a quote to change out legacy lamps to LED in all buildings except the Village Hall. This will need to go to 3 electrical firms for an installation bid. No action.

EV Charging Station: The body for the second charging station will be installed soon. Once installed, a photo and press release will go out. There are two smartphone apps that will list the station once completed.

LWRP: The NY Department of State needs to approve the RFP to find a lead to the project. Sharon is presently working on approval. The timeline has shifted to Jan. 2020.

Canoe / Kayak Launch: Anchor Marine sent an instructional sign for the launch to be installed in the spring of 2020. The committee will continue to meet over the fall/winter to review rules and other amenities for the area including signage at the Church parking lot. The launch is being used and appears on Google maps and the NYS DEC website. Trailworks is establishing a bluewater trail guide for Wayne County and the launch will be included.

Launch Site Naming - Sill Landing. - I am seeking board approval to name the canoe/kayak launch area at the end of South Ontario Street “**Sill Landing**”, along with an approval for the placement of a memorial bench in honor of Stew Sill to be installed at the site. The bench is being paid for with private funds.

The Sill family has a long history in the Village that dates back to at least the mid-1800s in Sodus Point and in America to the 1600s when John Sill and his wife Joanna came to the Massachusetts Bay Colony from England and lived in Cambridge. Over numerous generations their descendants came to Sodus Point. The Sills loved the water. Stewart Sr. started a marine construction business that was awarded many contracts around Lake Ontario including construction of the Seaway. When the highway department built out along the water's edge at the end of Fitzhugh Street to protect the road from erosion and flooding, Stew and Dawn Sill purchased a piece of this newly created land to build a shop to repair and sell boat motors. The business became a renowned shop along Lake Ontario for its custom boat and sail repairs. Sill Marina spanned the waterfront from Fitzhugh to South Ontario Street.

CEO Druschel- Building Inspector's report

The Community Center and the Village Hall have serious foundation problems. CEO Druschel is going to get some quotes for the necessary repairs.

Public Comments:

Miriam Derivan (2nd Street)- Informed the Board that she has been calling 911 to report a neighbor for feeding wildlife, which is prohibited by Village Law.

Donald Antel (3rd Street)- Read a letter he wrote about his opinion supporting the feeding of wildlife.

Rebecca Saiff- Updated the Board on their plans for the Winterfest that will be held in the Village. More information is available on the Sodus Rotary Club's Facebook page and their website.

Old Business:

- A. Police Department update- the position has been advertised for over a year with only a couple unqualified applicants. The Mayor met with Mayor Englert (Village of Sodus). We are unable to share officers with Sodus Village, as their department is too small. The Sheriff's Department pays significantly more than the Village would be able to pay and the seasonal weekend hours are undesirable. At this point, additional options need to be explored.
- B. Two bids were received for paving of Overlook Drive, Sodus Bay Heights Drive, South Shore and Morley Road. Road Tek Paving proposed \$143,906.10. All County Construction proposed \$118,060.00.
MOTION by Trustee Appleby and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to accept the bid from All County Construction for \$118,060.00 to repave four roads.
Motion carried all voting aye.

New Business:

- A. **MOTION** by Trustee Eckberg and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to sign the contract with Young Explosives for the July 3rd, 2020 fireworks display totaling \$7,000 with an early signing bonus of 10% additional fireworks.
Motion carried all voting aye.
MOTION by Trustee Eckberg and seconded by Trustee Appleby to sign the contract with Young Explosives for the September 6th, 2020 fireworks display totaling \$6,000 with an early signing bonus of 10% additional fireworks.
Motion carried all voting aye.
- B. State Industrial Products evaluated the Village's sanitary collection system and created a fat, oil and grease (FOG) program specific to our infrastructure. They are proposing a 90-day trial at a cost of \$954.
MOTION by Trustee Appleby and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to begin the 90-day trial with State Industrial Products for the FOG level reduction program at a cost of \$954.
Motion carried all voting aye.
- C. The Wastewater treatment plant will require some structural changes to accommodate the functions of the new press. Bid specs will be drawn up so that comparable bids can be gathered.
- D. **MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to send Mayor McDowell to the NY Conference of Mayors Legislative Priorities Meeting on November 18, 2019 in Albany.
Motion carried all voting aye.
- E. NYS has developed a Citizen Preparedness Corps. It is a four-step program to help prepare the residents in case of an emergency. The Village is going to schedule a training session in the Spring.
- F. **MOTION** by Trustee Appleby and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to name the canoe/kayak launch area at the end of South Ontario Street "Sill Landing."
Motion carried all voting aye.
The Board also gave approval for a Stewart Sill memorial bench (purchased with private funds) to be placed at Sill Landing.
- G. **MOTION** by Trustee Appleby and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to authorize local match for 2019 UPWP application to Genesee Transportation Council.
WHEREAS, the Village of Sodus Point is applying to the Genesee Transportation Council for a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) grant to prepare a Circulation, Access and Parking Plan for the Village; and
WHEREAS, this plan will use technical information gathered as a result of the Active Transportation Planning process (ATP) to analyze traffic conditions throughout the village, evaluate severe weather related event and seasonal related congestion problems, review parking quantity, quality and layout and provide recommendations to ease congestion, improve traffic circulation, make parking more efficient and to mitigate conflicts that will arise when implementing non-motorized projects identified in the ATP; and
WHEREAS, this study will be used to leverage future transportation related grants for affordable implementation of said recommendations; and
WHEREAS, the study is estimated to cost \$50,000 and the UPWP program requires a 10 percent local match; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Sodus Point Village Board authorizes the submission of a 2019 UPWP application for funding in the amount of \$45,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Sodus Point Village Board commits the required local match in the amount of \$5,000 for a total project cost of \$50,000.

Motion carried all voting aye.

- H. MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Appleby to adopt the following **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF STREET LIGHTING FACILITIES FROM PUBLIC UTILITY**
- WHEREAS**, the Village of Sodus Point is in the process of converting its streetlights to LED lighting; and
- WHEREAS**, the Village of Sodus Point (Village) and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E) have come to an agreement for the purchase of street lighting facilities currently owned by RG&E and which are to be sold to the Village of Sodus Point; and
- WHEREAS**, the Village and RG&E entered into an agreement for the purchase of street lighting facilities dated August 1, 2019.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village of Sodus Point shall purchase the street lighting facilities as set out in Schedule “A” of the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Street Lighting Facilities dated August 1, 2019 and shall pay to RG&E for said street lighting facilities the amount as set out in said Agreement.
- Motion carried all voting aye.

Treasurer:

- A. MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to approve payment of claims 10-1 through 10-50 for a total of \$121,866.86; General/Highway \$69,520.22; Water \$33,876.80; Wastewater \$18,469.84.
- Motion carried all voting aye.

- B. MOTION** by Trustee Eckberg and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to approve the 2019-2020 pay rates below

Title of Position	Pay rate/hour unless otherwise noted
Village Clerk/Treasurer	25.62
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer	18.50
Webmaster	12.00
Grounds Keeper	23.18
Highway Superintendent	21.92
Highway Laborer	19.76
Highway seasonal	13.00-14.00
Water Superintendent	21.92
WWTP Chief Operator	21.92

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Parking Enforcement Officer	0
Village Attorney	1200/yr
Planning Board Secretary	12.00
Planning Board Chairman	60/month
Planning Board member	40/month
Planning Board Ad Hoc member	20/meeting attended
Building Inspector	17.60
Zoning Board Secretary	12.00
Zoning Board Chairman	50/month
Zoning Board member	25/month
Zoning Board Ad Hoc member	25/meeting attended max 3
Dock Inspector	17.60
Recreation Director	12.81
Recreation Assistant	11.10
Mayor	1500/quarter
Deputy Mayor	900/quarter
Trustee	750/quarter
Parks bathroom cleaner	125/week
Tourism Director	11.60
Tourism booth attendant	11.10
Cleaner	12.00

Motion carried all voting aye.

Other Business:

- A. The Board received a request for forgiveness of penalties for two accounts. The request was denied.
- B. **MOTION** by Trustee DeWolf and seconded by Trustee Eckberg to surplus the following equipment.
Motion carried all voting aye.

HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT

ASSET DESCRIPTION	CONDITION CODE	REASON FOR DISPOSAL CODE	METHOD OF DISPOSAL CODE	AGE OF ASSET (YEARS)	DATE OF DISPOSAL	SURPLUS VALUE
2008 FORD F250 VIN1FTNF21518EE01694	Good	Replaced By upgrade	Tender	12		6,000
MILEAGE 53951						
WESTERN MVP PLUS PLOW	Fair	Obsolete	Tender			2,000
UNICOVER PRO SERIES CAP	Excellent	Obsolete	Tender			1,000

C. **MOTION** by Trustee Appleby and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to adjourn the meeting at 7:54PM
Motion carried all voting aye.

Next scheduled regular Board meeting will be on Thursday, November 21, 2019 **at 6:30 PM**

Melanie E. DeBadts
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer