

May 20 2021: 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, Trustee Pitti, Attorney Williams and Trustee Verbridge  
Deputy Mayor Kallusch left on a call at 6:28pm.

Via Zoom: CEO Druschel  
Attendance via zoom 15pp  
In-house attendance 8pp

**MOTION** by Trustee Pitti and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve the April 15, 2021 regular meeting minutes.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

Mayor McDowell

**Water Levels –**

Today the levels are 245.19, up just 3 inches from last month and it seems to be plateauing. Last Friday's forecast calls for the 245.2 on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Not a good sign for water this summer. We will all learn where the low shallow spots in the bay are again.

**NY Main Street Grant –**

We received our Grant Disbursement Agreement and are in the final stages of preparing the RFP for the selection of the consultant. I would expect we will be making a selection at our June meeting.

**2021 CFA Process -**

I participated in the FLRDC Council meeting on Tuesday. For the most part the process is getting back to pre-2020 ways. There is a change in some of the grant opportunities in that awards will be announced sooner and some will move to quarterly announcements. Also the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) is being changed. Based on discussions with Vinnie Esposito, it is expected that grants in smaller amounts will be available for smaller communities.

The materials for 2021 were released May 10 and applicants have until July 30 to file applications. Sharon and I met as soon as the materials were released to review what potential projects we might have. A new Salt Barn is one that we will pursue. Costich is preparing the preliminary information that we need and Sharon will write this grant for us. We also plan to try and get money to replace the water main on Sentell and Seaman Streets. You'll recall this is where we had 4 breaks over the winter. In order to do this we need an income survey of those residents. This survey is in process by G&G Municipal Consultants who specialize in both doing the survey work as well as the grant writing. They will be doing just the survey work for us. We also plan to request money for implementation of some of the ATP recommendations. Sharon is reading through all of the opportunities to see which we are most suited for. We will have more details of the 3 opportunities at our June board meeting. The LWRP Update project has in their scope the upgrade plans for both Willow Park and Oscar Fuerst Park. This includes public restrooms.

**Earmarks -**

I have been working with senator Schumer's office and will be submitting 2 earmark requests. One is for \$250,000 for engineering and design of the east break wall repair. The second is our 4 FEMA BRIC projects which include a survey and mitigation assessment of each property, protecting the north municipal parking lot, securing Maiden Lane and the water main in place there and flood proofing Wolcott Street.

**REDI –**

**WA24 – Beach Dune Project**

The walk ways, signs and trash cans are up. All the plantings along the entrance at each street end are complete. Boulders for the street ends are coming soon. The interpretive sign is being updated with new photography. The Access Mat for the county park will be installed as soon as it arrives.

**WA30 – Storm Water Project**

We lost some ground over the last week or so due to issues with getting concrete delivered. After meeting with the concrete supplier and all the contractors and sub-contractors we have a solid plan over the next 3 weeks. Weather permitting.

Next week the focus will be on getting all the concrete curbs and gutters in place on Greig Street. Following behind the curb/gutter work will be sidewalk installation on the south side of Greig St. This will cause significant headaches with driveway access. We appreciate your patience. If you have specific issues, please call the village hall and we will work to get them resolved.

Hydro seeding of those areas that are prepped is scheduled to happen next Monday. Work on pump installation is also getting underway.

#### WA34 – Lakestones

We have an executed GDA and the permit is ready to be issued. We (the Village) applied for a permit to build a dune at the head of Lakestones Drive. The two neighbors to the east have also applied. The private portions would be built by the home owner, the village portion will use the sand that drifts into the county parking lot. That way the sand will be making a circular trip. I have also requested additional money from NYS. We are holding the issuing of the bid specs until we know how both of these play out.

#### WA35 – White Birch

The walkthrough with the DEC and the engineering firm pointed out some significant damage that occurred over the winter. Most of the damage relates to the CEHA areas that are under DEC jurisdiction. This project is also short on money to do the project as originally proposed. I have requested additional money from NYS. I will be meeting with the president of the White Birch Association in a few weeks to discuss where this project goes.

American Rescue Plan -

Nothing new at this time.

#### **Reports were read and reviewed as follows:**

Deputy Mayor Kallusch- Insurance, Parking/Police

Trustee Evans- Fire, Ambulance, Communications, Youth & Recreation

Sodus Point Fire Department

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Calls:

- 05/05/2021 1:37PM- Wire problem- Lake Rd
- 05/13/2021 9:06PM- Brush fire- Margareta Rd.

WR4 is in service for the season.

Upcoming events:

- Pot of gold- June 5th
- 1st Annual SPFD golf tournament at Sodus Bay Heights- August 30TH

Ambulance

Calls:

Total 87 responses so far in 2021,

- 12 Responses for April,
- 9 Responses were assisted by ALS,
- 3 Responses were Public assists ( lift assists and such)
- 1 Standby for the Microd races in Wallington
- 8 of the 12 Responses were billable.

Silver Waters really could use a second person from May through September as a driver to make a full crew.

We will be placing an order for the Power Lift this week. Need to confirm Village \$\$ committed.

Recreation

No report

Trustee Verbridge – LWRP updates and Building maintenance

Trustee Pitti – Highway, Parks and Energy

CEO Druschel- Building Inspector's report

**All reports are filed with the details and backup for the April meeting in the Village office.**

**Public Comments:**

Angelica Mack, 8363 So Shore Rd thanked our Trustees for all the helpful information they provide to the community. Brandon Martin, Martins Tideside inquired about grant information for other areas of the Village. Chris Tertinek and Elaine Allis, Both from Gardenier Lane discussed street lighting and asked for an update on Willow park bathrooms.

**Old Business:**

A.

**New Business:**

A. **MOTION** by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Verbridge allowing Attorney Williams to work directly with the Planning Board refining the modifications to Chapter 141 Property Maintenance to bring back to the Village Board at a later time.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

B. **MOTION** by Trustee Pitti and seconded by Trustee Verbridge denying the new proposal from the Planning Board code Chapter 88- Boat Hoists.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

C. Mayor McDowell asked the Board whether or not they would like to pursue cameras as part of the Smart Cities Program. The Board showed interest in finding out cost first before making a decision

D. The highway department would like to have drainage work done on Central Ave. Quotes for the project are as follows:  
Decker Excavating \$58,950  
All County Construction \$42,973

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve the quote from All County Construction in the amount of \$42,973.00.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

E. **MOTION** by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Pitti to approve the agreement with E.M.S Staffing services starting June 1, 2021 with an annual of \$50,944.04. Staffing details are included in the contract.  
**Motion** carried all voting aye.

**Treasurer:**

A. **MOTION** by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve payment of claims 5-1 through 5-54 for a total of \$116,157.63; General/Highway \$101,625.53; Water \$10,128.79; Wastewater \$4,403.31.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

**Other Business:**

Trustee Pitti will request quotes similar to the Kayak launch sign for the entrances of the Village.

**MOTION** by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Pitti to adjourn the meeting at 8:09PM  
Motion carried all voting aye.

End of Year meeting Friday May 28 2021 at 12:30pm

Next scheduled regular Board meeting will be on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Tracy B Durham  
Clerk-Treasurer