

March 16, 2023- Village Board meeting
Minutes of regular meeting of the Sodus Point Village Board

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

Present: Mayor McDowell, Deputy Mayor Kallusch, Trustee Bristol, Trustee Evans, Trustee Verbridge and Attorney St. Martin

Absent: CEO Druschel

Public Present at call to order- 20 via Zoom and 14 physically present

MOTION by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve the February 16, 2023 meeting minutes.

Motion carried all voting aye.

MOTION by Trustee Bristol and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve the February 16, 2023 special meeting minutes.

Motion carried all voting aye.

Reports were given as follows:

Mayor updates:

REDI –

WA35 – White Birch

Site restoration is underway as weather permits. The remaining revetment work is proceeding. The park opens April 1st and the land-based construction areas will be cleaned up by then.

Water Level –

Our current water level is 245.57, up another 3.5 inches since our last Board meeting. All of the great lakes are above their long-term averages. The USACE calls for us to get just above 246'. It is more likely that we will get to 247 feet plus. Since late fall, the water levels have been following the 5% forecast line which gets to 247.6' in June.

Verizon Tower –

The only work remaining is RG&E connecting the power from the road to the tower. There is no schedule for when that may occur. The village has been paid the first year's lease.

Beach Dunes –

The Beach Advisory Committee has re-established itself. Laurie Hayden and Mark Ketchum will lead it. They will invite Brad to participate in their meetings. Tom Hart has also been consulted and will advise the group when needed as things change. The Maintenance Plan is in place and being followed.

Sill Shore Road –

Still waiting for proposals from 3 contractors. [Burroughs, Porretta & Skanex]

Sea Grant –

Subsequent to learning that we were not chosen for NY Forward, we were notified by Sea Grant of an opportunity for an environmental based grant that would focus on shoreline issues. There is no cost share to these grants which are up to \$50,000. As a result we have applied for a \$45,000 grant to study the environmental and socio-economic issues with three possible public pier locations within the village.

Parking Enforcement –

During our budget workshop, the topic of a parking enforcement person was proposed. That led to a discussion of the possible need for a police department. A couple of trustees had heard from residents concerned about a perceived increase in incidents. We obviously did not have the information or knowledge to go far with the discussion. Bill Kallusch and I met with Sheriff, Rob Milby last week to get his input and perception regarding any increase in incidents and any recommendations. The conclusion was that if people have concerns of any kind, they need to call 911. If incidents are not reported, they will not be investigated. Every call in Wayne County gets a response from a law enforcement agency. He also thought a summertime parking enforcement person working different hours each week would be helpful.

Reports were given as follows:

Mayor McDowell- - Building Inspector's, Water, Wastewater
Deputy Mayor Kallusch- Parking/PD,
Trustee Evans-
Trustee Verbridge – Planning, Parks, CEC
Trustee Bristol – Highway, Ambulance, Fire

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

Public Comments:

- James Taylor Second St made suggestions to the board and comments regarding drainage etc
- Laurie Hayden Sixth St. addressed the board members using personal emails and facebook
- Maxine Appleby, S. Ontario, made comments and asked questions regarding the boards representation and also supported the communications candidate.
- Kathy Madison Bay St., Bruce Evener Bay St commented on the village codes and process.
- Phil Leone, Leone Landing, made suggestions regarding zoning vs property maintenance and funding money for the purchase of property in the village.
- Jean Hallagan, Second St. address a garbage issue and sand dunes
- Vince Myerly Central Ave. gave a thanks to the village for the improvements and projects.

Old business:

- A. Communications specialist-tabled to advertise, interview and bring back to the board.
- B. Digital meeting policy- tabled by the board to make additions.
- C. Chapter 141 Property maintenance- tabled to collect more information.
- D. MOTION** by Trustee Verbridge that all workshops, organizational and meetings of the Board will have a detailed written agenda emailed to the Board 72 hours prior to the meeting, Trustees will respond stating they received the agenda and questions or comments will be asked prior to the meeting seconded by Trustee Evans
Motion carried all voting aye.

New business:

A. The board will hold a Public hearing on April 20 2023 at 6:15pm to discuss the 2023-24 Budget.

B. MOTION by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve the following asset disposal

Balance (Waste Water) Value: \$1.00

Muffle Furnace (Waste Water) Value: \$1.00

Paddle Stirrer (Waste Water) Value: \$1.00

Incubator (Waste Water) Value: \$1.00

Flow Chart Recorder (Water) Value: \$1.00

Sold / Donated To: Rural Waters

SEE ATTACHED ASSET DISPOAL FORM

Motion carried all voting aye.

C. MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Evans to approve the Waste Water Preventative maintenance agreement from Fleet for \$2726.00

Motion carried all voting aye

D. MOTION by Trustee Verbridge and seconded by Deputy Mayor Kallusch to advertise for seasonal highway and communication specialist employees on the website, in the shoreline and in the newspaper and the Mayor will interview candidates with the help of any trustee who wants to come to the office.

Motion carried all voting aye

Clerk-Treasurer

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve claims 3-1 through 3-45 totaling \$52,829: General \$33,366, Water \$8,755 and Wastewater \$10,707

Motion carried all voting aye.

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kallusch, seconded by Trustee Bristol to approve the following:

2023-3 Resolution

WHEREAS, Section 5-520 of the Village Law allows for the transfers when expenditure will exceed the estimated as shown in the budget at the time if appropriations and,

WHEREAS, as of 3/16/23 the Clerk Treasurer has determined that the moneys available is insufficient to meet that required and now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the following transfers as shown below.

Budget transfers

Amount	From	Account	To	Account
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\$ 95,000.00	A8745.4	Flood & Erosion	A9950.9	Trnsfr to Capital funds
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Motion carried all voting aye

MOTION by Trustee Verbridge, seconded by Trustee Evans to approve the following:

2023-3 Resolution Amending 2022-2023 General Fund Budget

Whereas, the Village of Sodus Point was awarded funding for REDI Project WA30 Wickham Blvd and Greig St floodwall and road rehabilitation project,

Whereas, the Village of Sodus Point is responsible to provide 5% of this project, and

Whereas, the expenditure for the 2022-23 budget was underfunded by \$59,156.70

Whereas, Section 5-520 of the Village law allows the Board of Trustees to make budgetary amendments for unappropriated, unreserved fund balance when it has determined that an amount is available for appropriation and,

Whereas, the Board of Trustees has determined that a significant amount exists for the purpose intended; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the appropriation of general fund, fund balance in the amount of \$59,156.70

It is hereby resolved that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to make budget adjustments to reflect the amendments.

Motion carried all voting aye

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kallusch, seconded by Trustee Bristol to approve the following:

2023-3 Resolution Amending 2022-2023 General Fund Budget

Whereas, the Village board approved in April 2022 the restorations to the Fire hall,

Whereas, Section 5-520 of the Village law allows the Board of Trustees to make budgetary amendments for unappropriated, unreserved fund balance when it has determined that an amount is available for appropriation and,

Whereas, the Board of Trustees has determined that a significant amount exists for the purpose intended; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the appropriation of general fund, fund balance in the amount of \$25,768.75 to reflect the expenditure in the 2022-2023 budget

It is hereby resolved that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to make budget adjustments to reflect the amendments.

Motion carried all voting aye

MOTION by Trustee Verbridge, seconded by Trustee Evans to approve the following:

2023- 3 Resolution amending 2022-2023 budget for the Personal Services

Whereas, the Village of Sodus Point has received \$43,999.86 from NYS Division of the Budget, American Rescue Plan Act Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

It is hereby resolved that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to make budget adjustments to reflect and recognize \$18,000 increase in revenue in the General Fund (A4089) and an increase in appropriations in General Fund, (A1325.1) \$12,000, Water Fund, (F8340.1) \$2,000, Sewer Fund (G8130.1) \$4,000.

Motion carried all voting aye

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kallusch, seconded by Trustee Bristol to approve the following:

2023- 3 Resolution amending 2022-2023 budget for the Building Contractual

Whereas, the Village of Sodus Point has received a \$7,036.65 from Insurance claim for damages incurred at the firehall from flooding,

It is hereby resolved that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to make budget adjustments to reflect a \$7,036.65 increase in revenue in the General Fund (A2680) and an increase in appropriations in General Fund, (A1620.4), in the amount of \$7,036.65.

Motion carried all voting aye

Other business:

MOTION by Trustee Verbridge and seconded by Trustee Bristol to move to executive session at 8:33pm to discuss legal issues with no action being taken.

Motion carried all voting aye.

MOTION by Trustee Evans and seconded by Trustee Bristol to adjourn executive session and move back to the regular meeting at 8:56pm

Motion carried all voting aye.

MOTION by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Evans to adjourn the meeting at 8:56pm

Motion carried all voting aye.

Budget public hearing to be held April 20th at 6:15pm.

The next scheduled regular Board meeting will be Thursday, April 20th,2023 at 6:30pm.

Tracy B Durham
Clerk-Treasurer