

December 21, 2023- Village Board meeting

Mayor McDowell called the regular meeting to order at 6:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Present: Mayor McDowell, Trustee Verbridge, Deputy Mayor Kallusch, Trustee Madison,  
Trustee Bristol, Attorney St. Martin  
Zoom: CEO Druschel

Public Present at call to order- 6 via Zoom and 3 physically present

**MOTION** by Trustee Verbridge and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to approve the November 16, 2023, regular meeting minutes.

Motion carried all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee Bristol and seconded by Trustee Madison to approve the December 4, 2023, organizational meeting minutes.

Motion carried all voting aye.

Reports were given as follows:

**Mayor updates:**

**Water Level –**

Our current water level is 244.49, up a bit from our November meeting. In between we were as low as 244.29 so the recent rain/snow has found its way to the lake.

**Water System -**

All the contract documents have been completed and were just submitted to NYS. Sharon is preparing an RFQ to go out and secure proposals. It must be advertised for at least 3 weeks so we will select the consultant at our February meeting.

**Community Pier-**

Our next meeting will be scheduled in January.

**Eminent Domain-**

We have the appraisal. The survey company was refused access to one of the properties. We are working with the attorneys and the sheriff department to correct that. The survey company was able to confirm that the existing pins in 2 of the properties are in the right place. They have also provided a preliminary survey map for review by our attorney.

**Sill Shore Road-**

The drainage worked great during the storm earlier this week.

**Reports were given as follows:**

Mayor McDowell- Water, Building Inspector and Wastewater

Deputy Mayor Kallusch- Parking, Fire and Insurance

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve the following for the Sodus Point Fire Department

2024 Line Officers

22-1 Mark Jones Jr.

22-2 Chuck Sergeant

22-3 Brian Williams

22-4 Dan Mottler

22-6 TBD

2024 Business Officers

President- Kris Shirtz

V.President- Mark Lucas

Treasurer – Tim Jones

Secretary – Naomi Crockford

Motion carried all voting aye.

Trustee Verbridge – updates on CEC/ EV Stations and Playground, LWRP

The question was asked by Trustee Verbridge regarding dog waste and garbage cans. She commented that the village is a year-round community so we should either choose to become a carry in carry out community or provide that service all year. Trustee Bristol planned on meeting with Brad Geffert to discuss the options.

Trustee Bristol – Highway

Trustee Madison – Ambulance

**MOTION** carried by Trustee Madison and seconded by Trustee Bristol to approve the following for Silver Waters Ambulance for 2024

President – Tom Piekunka

V. President - Jack Matthys

Treasurer – Shari Kallusch

Director of Operations – Bill Kallusch

Motion carried all voting aye.

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

**Public Comments:**

Phil Leone questioned the presence of USGS in the bay. Mayor McDowell said he will try and find out what they are working on.

**All meeting contents can be viewed on the Village of Sodus Point YouTube channel.**

Old business:

none

New business:

- A. **MOTION** by Trustee Verbridge and seconded by Trustee Kallusch to approve the asset disposal of the **VIN# ALI 825457m 2018 Bobcat s-650**. The trade in amount was \$35,000 with Milton Cat.

Motion carried all voting aye.

- B. Mayor McDowell started by explaining that the village code Chapter 175 Vehicles and Traffic is being reviewed by Gary Grey and the highway to make suggested changes. He also informed the board that the businesses affecting the parking along Sentell St are working together with a new plan and agreement for 2024 season. Trustee Verbridge would like to see other village owned property utilized for parking on Cook St and at the wastewater lift station on Route 14.

**MOTION** Trustee Verbridge made a motion seconded by Trustee Bristol to ask for an appraisal from Costich Engineering for Cook St and Main lift station at Route 14 and have Sentell St pins flagged.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

Clerk Treasurer:

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to approve claims 12-1 through 12-60 totaling \$196,960.42: General \$153,444.24, Water \$13,996.43 and Wastewater \$29,519.75.  
Motion carried all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee Verbridge, seconded by Trustee Madison to approve the following  
**2023-12a** Resolution amending 2023-2024 budget for the Celebrations Contractual

Whereas, the Village of Sodus Point has received a \$8,600 in community donations

Whereas, the increase amount for celebrations expense was \$8,600,

It is hereby resolved that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to make budget adjustments to reflect a \$8,600 increase in revenue (A2089) in the Fireworks General Fund and an increase in appropriations in General Fund, Celebrations (A7550.4), in the amount of \$8,600.

Resolution adopted all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee Verbridge and seconded by Trustee Bristol to approve the following  
**2023- 12b** Resolution amending 2023-2024 budget for the

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 \$22,610 increase in revenue in the General Fund (A4089) and an increase in appropriations in General Fund, Flood & Erosion (A8745.4) \$22,610.

Resolution adopted all voting aye.

**Other business:**

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to move to executive session at 7:07pm to discuss litigation with no action being taken.

Motion carried all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee Bristol and seconded by Trustee Madison to adjourn executive session and move back to the regular meeting at 7:14pm

Motion carried all voting aye.

**MOTION** by Trustee Kallusch and seconded by Trustee Verbridge to adjourn the meeting at 7:14pm

Motion carried all voting aye.

The next scheduled regular Board meeting will be Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 6:30pm.

Tracy B Durham, Clerk-Treasurer