

Minutes

Village Board of Trustees

April 23rd, 2020

A meeting of the Village of Horseheads Board of Trustees was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference in Village Hall.

Present were:

<u>Village Board and Staff</u>	
<p><u>Via Teleconference:</u> Mayor Rob Maloney Trustee Mike Skroskznik Trustee Pat Gross Trustee Bill Goodwin Trustee Mark Cronin</p>	<p>Village Manager Nate Nagle Manager's Asst. Rachel Baer</p> <p><u>Via Teleconference</u> Clerk-Treas. Donna Dawson Police Chief Tom Stickler DPW Dir. Matt Mustico PT Clerk Tammy Miele Village Justice Dave Brockway</p>

***NOTE:** Present for the meeting at Village Hall were Village Manager Nathan Nagle, and Manager's Assistant Rachel Baer. All others participated on the phone via teleconference due to the Coronavirus lockdown.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE - Village Manager Nagle gave an update on the continued Covid-19 pandemic. He discussed recent Executive Orders from the Governors office, as well as continued measures being taken at Village Facilities. Playgrounds and ballfields have been closed. Lowes was closed briefly due to reports of not complying with social distancing and masks.

Resolution by Trustee Gross, seconded by Trustee Goodwin

BE IT RESOLVED, that the reading of the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting of April 16th, 2020 be dispensed with and the same stand approved as entered by the Clerk.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Maloney	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye
Trustee Gross	Aye
Trustee Goodwin	Aye
Trustee Cronin	Aye

D&A: Proposed 2020-2021 Village Budget

Trustee Goodwin stated that he would like to have information about the Board getting health insurance benefits again. He added that he doesn't intend to stop the adoption of the tentative budget.

Manager Nagle said In 2008 we changed the policy regarding insurance for elected officials. Some things we would have to consider are: a new policy; would it include the judges; a buy-out program for those that don't need the insurance; would the benefit only be for an official's term in office, etc. He said he will get the cost info, etc. and send to the Board.

Resolution by Trustee Gross, seconded by Trustee Cronin

WHEREAS, Village Budget Officer Nathan Nagle has prepared and submitted a proposed budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021, and

WHEREAS, this budget has been reviewed and critiqued by the Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on April 16, 2020 relative to the proposed budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed 2020-2021 budget prepared by the Budget Officer which establishes anticipated revenues and appropriations in the amount of **\$5,970,013.00** with the schedule of salaries and wages and other appropriate schedules required by law is hereby adopted as the final budget for the Village of Horseheads for the fiscal year June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021, containing a tax levy of **\$6.01** per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Maloney	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye
Trustee Gross	Aye
Trustee Goodwin	Aye
Trustee Cronin	Aye

Manager's Report

Manager Nagle reported on the following items:

- Chips funding, looks like it will be secure this year. Some municipalities are hesitant and are reducing their paving programs. I recommend we move forward, but if we need to reduce paving program, we would be looking at 1-3 of our roads not being completed. This only involved Chips money. Pave NY and Winter Recovery NY are intact.
- WIIA water grant program - Fagan Engineering preparing contract to be submitted to ESD for engineering costs, inspections, etc. This is part of initial process.
- Conf. Call with Congressman Reed re: Stimulus Package from federal government. No dollars for local government yet; that comes out in Phase 4 - mid-May, mid-June.

- When we reopen Village facilities, I anticipate possible temperature checks of employees, and masks. Docs from CDC and Governor about reopening.

BOT, Department Head Updates

Trustee Goodwin - any update on the intersection of Sayre St. and S. Main St.

Manager Nagle - Traffic Commission hasn't met yet, but I looked at the area. Discussing with Matt Mustico about possible placement of a sign and where it would go.

Trustee Cronin - Oak Hill cell tower, any update. There is one on I86 near Raymour & Flanigan. Worth looking at. Also, on our website, we should insure that it is ADA compliant.

Manager Nagle - we will have to look into the website issue.

Atty. Groff - working on the following items:

- Employment agreement for Village Manager
- Activities at Red Carpet Inn, discussing these matters with Village Manager, possible noise complaint
- Verizon small wireless facilities, installations would not be compliant with our law, but there may be a waiver process.
- Board members need to be mindful that your emails and texts regarding Village business are Village records and are subject to FOIL. Also you need to keep decisions inside the Board Meeting environment.
- Draft Local Law on Battery Energy Storage System law, second piece of other law we adopted on Solar Energy Systems.

Rachel Baer - rec'd confirmation that the Memorial Day Parade has been cancelled.

Trustee Skroskznik - we should look into getting Village cellphones for the Trustees.

Justice Dave Brockway - court is still shut down, still only handling emergency arraignments. Many judges in this state do not have internet for virtual arraignments, now they have selected judges in each county on a rotating basis.

As there was nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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