**VILLAGE OF COXSACKIE**

**BOARD MINUTES**

**April 8, 2019**

Mayor Mark Evans called the Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Trustee Stephen Hanse, Trustee Donald Daoust, Trustee Joseph Ellis and Trustee Dianne Ringwald.

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2019 Workshop Meeting was made by Trustee Hanse and seconded by Trustee Ringwald. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. Trustee Daoust abstained. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2019 Board Meeting was made by Trustee Ellis and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. Trustee Daoust abstained. The motion carried.

**Correspondence Received**A letter was received from Cornell Cooperative Extension regarding a webcast on Animal Regulation Issues for Local Governments.

A letter was received from the Governor’s Office responding to our letter regarding the AIM funding.

A memo was received from Greene County detailing the plans for the meetings and plan submission of the annual County-Wide Shared Services Initiative.

A letter was received from Greene County regarding training for local chief executives.

A letter was received from Trident Insurance regarding the gas spill at the DPW last November stating that they need more information to process the claim.

A letter was received from the Coxsackie-Athens Ecumenical Clergy Council Association requesting approval and assistance from the Police Department in having the World Service Crop Walk on Sunday May 5th from 2 p.m.-5 p.m.

**New Business**

Aaron Flach gave a presentation on the overview of his building project on South River Street, and requested a letter of support from the Village Board. He is looking to make one of the buildings into an event center on the water front. He will be doing many building renovations. The event center building will have a glass enclosed atrium, kitchen for catering, bathrooms, bridal suite, and landscaping. He is hoping to help promote tourism and economic development to the downtown area. He is also working on getting docks installed. He said that the waterfront is a phenomenal asset to the village. He is going to turn another building into a 40-room boutique hotel. He is thinking of turning 52 South River Street into a brew pub restaurant. The old Dolan Block will be 10 high end apartments on the 2nd and 3rd floors, with store fronts on the 1st floor. He said he would like to see more retail shops down street. He also just signed a contract to buy the old Patrick Henry’s building.

Trustee Hanse asked what the time frame is for the phases of work.

Mr. Flach stated that the event center, which will be named “The Wire”, should be completed this time next year. He said the space could also host the Farmers’ Market indoors during inclement weather. The reason he needs the letter of support is because he is applying for a Community Development Block Grant for redevelopment. He needs to be able to show that local municipalities and businesses are on board with the project.

Trustee Hanse asked how much he is seeking for grant funds.

Mr. Flach said he is seeking 2 million dollars.

Trustee Daoust asked how parking will be addressed.

Mr. Flach stated that he already got approved and have plans for parking for around 160 cars. The planned uses meet the requirements within the Village Code.

Trustee Daoust thanked Mr. Flach for taking on his endeavor, and said that it is nice to see someone invested in the Village.   
  
**Liaisons & Board Reports**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board will dispense with the reading of the monthly department head reports, but that all monthly reports are on file with the Village Clerk.

**Motions & Resolutions**

A motion to approve the request received from Bridgette Nino of 287 Mansion Street, asking to have penalties in the amount of $ 40.05 removed from her water/sewer account, due to her having an issue with online bill payment and having a good payment history was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve rescinding the motion to approve the Fire Department Assistant Chief Fuel Reimbursement Policy, allowing Assistant Fire Chiefs to fill up their personal vehicle’s gas tanks once per month, for the use of their own vehicles responding to emergency calls passed on January 14, 2019 was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve Local Law #3 of 2019-Amending the Village of Coxsackie Code Chapter 67 to Require Installation of a Knox Box on Buildings Located Within the Village was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve Local Law #4 of 2019-Amending Section 119-19 of the Village of Coxsackie Code to Allow the Village Board to Set Permit and Inspection Fees for New Sewer Connections by Resolution was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the request received from Bob Deluca to buy back 1 weeks’ vacation time was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve setting the date of Saturday, May 18th at 11:00 a.m. for the Ground-Breaking Ceremony for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve setting the date of Saturday, May 18th at 12:00 p.m. for the Dedication Ceremony for the new McQuade Park playground was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the following officers for the Coxsackie Fire Department provided by Chief Burdick for 2019-2020;  
Hose 3 Captain-Mark Evans  
DM Hamilton Captain-Jason Warren  
Hose 3 1st Lieutenant-William Mirando  
DM Hamilton 1st Lieutenant-Dominic Yannazzone  
Hose 3 2nd Lieutenant-Ken Bauer  
DM Hamilton 2nd Lieutenant-Chris Grey  
was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to declare the following items surplus and authorize the Superintendent of the DPW to auction the items off through normal auction sites; Bobcat broom attachment sweeper model 54 Serial #439500813, Refurbished trailer Plate #74538, Electric Pressure Washer North Sat Model #157225A and a 2003 Ford F-750 Dump Truck with plow VIN #3FRXF76534V664159 was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve holding a Special Village Board Meeting at the request of Delaware Engineering on April 22nd at 6:00 p.m. to review the Wastewater Plant Project bids and other related information was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the Village to write a letter of support for Aaron Flach for the waterfront revitalization project approved by our Planning Board as he seeks grants and assistance to move forward was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve water/sewer adjustments from March 1-31, 2019 was made by Trustee Ringwald and seconded by Trustee Ellis. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the bills on General Fund Abstract #11, vouchers 848-898 totaling $122,028.88; Water Fund Abstract #11, vouchers 309-337 totaling $ 69,545.89; Sewer Fund Abstract #11, vouchers 303-330 totaling $ 43,898.98 was made by Trustee Daoust and seconded by Trustee Ringwald. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

\*Sewer Fund Vouchers #300-302 were included on Abstract #10 but not approved at last Board Meeting. Total of $ 36,653.66 remains the same.

**Public Comment Period**

No public comments were offered.

A motion to adjourn the Board meeting was made by Trustee Hanse and seconded by Trustee Daoust. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Ellis voted yes. Trustee Ringwald voted yes. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Bereznak

Clerk