

**REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2016**

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Brian Johnson, Trustees Eilene Morris, Douglas Cropper, Laurence Ostrander, Attorney Robert Fitzsimmons, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Christine Speed

MOTION to approve minutes of the previous meeting made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Cropper ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to approve the Treasurer's Report made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Morris ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to approve payment of bills (General, Water, Sewer, Library, Summit Lake, & T&A Abstract #2, Health Care Deductible #1) made by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Cropper ALL AYES NO NAYS

PUBLIC REQUESTS: None

ATTORNEY FITZSIMMONS: Reported nothing new and stated that he was continuing work with old issues.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: Reported by Deputy Christine Speed, Village tax bills are now past due and a 5% penalty will be applied through the end of July. All monthly and quarterly reports are complete, as well as all normal office tasks. Work on The Annual Report for the Department of Audit and Control is underway. Summer Hours for the office are in effect until Sept.2;
Mon-Thurs 8 – 2:30 and Fridays 8 - noon.

POLICE REPORT: Given by OIC Doyle. A detailed report of all complaints and tickets issued was given and is on file. The Department was on duty for Community Day and no issues were reported. OIC Doyle reported on the growing number of trespassers and unauthorized users at Forest Lake. After lengthy discussion by OIC Doyle and the Board, it was decided that additional signage and greater police presence will occur. Violators will risk being ticketed and towed if they are found to be on the property illegally.

LIBRARY REPORT: Given by Director Tobi-Ann Farley.

Building & Grounds – Board Member Dave Bolevice repaired the storm door handle as well as fixing the back bathroom toilet paper holder. It was reported that on Wednesday, June 22nd there was an issue at the library with three village boys and destructive behavior. The sheriff's department was dispatched and investigated. The Library Director and Philmont Police Department will be issuing letters to the families involved. The director's full report is on file.

Services- A full list of all events and programs is included in the director's report.

Grants & Donations: Received the \$500.00 check for a grant from the Bank of Greene County to purchase a double sided copier. Received a \$526.00 grant from the Mid-Hudson Library System. Director Farley was notified by Senator Kathy Marchione's office that they will receive \$8,000.00 for the purchase of concrete game tables. Other donations include \$100.00 from the art sale and \$150.00 left over from Karen Garafalo's retirement party.

COMMUNITY CENTER REPORT: Provided by Director Julia Veronezi, given by Trustee Cropper.

Facilities – The garden continues to look nice.

Program – The Rock Solid Church is continuing with use of the center on Friday nights.

Summer camp will be held July 18-22, 9am -12pm. The Community Day Committee used the center and the Fishing Derby was held at the facility. Charles Doheny will take 10 children to Liberty Farm in Ghent on July 22nd with transportation provided by Michael S. Johnston's bus company.

MAYOR SPEED: No Report/On Vacation

TRUSTEE MORRIS: Reported that she marched in both the Memorial Day and Community Day Parades as well as attending Library Director, Karen Garafalo's retirement party. Trustee Morris met with Village Clerk, Kim Simmons & Dave Lavoy to discuss the Villages Health Insurance Coverage options. She has also been in contact with the office staff regarding completion of the annual report.

TRUSTEE CROPPER: Reported that he had been in contact with Rick Juliano from the County Treasurers Office, for information regarding a new Water/Sewer Billing Program. He has spoken with Building Inspector Stanley Koloski to address the derelict building issue in the village. He attended Community Day meetings and events, spoke on behalf of the Mayor in his absence from Community Day. Trustee Cropper expressed his gratitude to the Police, Fire, Library, DPW, Philmont Rod & Gun, Columbia Cruisers and all other departments/organizations that made Community Day a success.

TRUSTEE OSTRANDER: Reported that he was in receipt of an email from Elan Planning containing a 77 page detailed report on the grant proposal. The document covers the history of the village thru current revitalization efforts. Trustee Ostrander thanked all involved for their Community Day efforts. He reported concern with the condition of Memorial Field and would like to see more maintenance of the property in the future.

Deputy Mayor JOHNSON: Gave the DPW/WA/SW Report provided by Superintendent Scheller, a copy is available in the office for review. Trustee Johnson has been working with the DPW and Superintendent Michael Scheller regarding the Summit Street Booster Pumps.

CORRESPONDENCE – LIST WAS PROVIDED TO THE AUDIENCE.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. **MOTION** to hire Ryan Maisenbacher as a part-time police officer effective immediately at the rate of \$15.50/hour; was made by Trustee Cropper, seconded by Trustee Ostrander. ALL AYES, NO NAYS
2. **MOTION** to approve Heather Fairbain and Courtney Higley as members of the Philmont Volunteer Fire Company; was made by Trustee Cropper, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

**VILLAGE OF PHILMONT
COLUMBIA COUNTY, NEW YORK
RESOLUTION NO. 4**

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees for the Village of Philmont, Columbia County, New York, duly held on the 11th day of July 2016 at the Village Hall, Main Street, Philmont, New York, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded: Resolution by: Trustee Laurence Ostrander,

Seconded by: Trustee Douglas Cropper.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Philmont has determined that a parcel of real property that it currently owns known as "8 Ellsworth Street", identified by Tax Map. No.: 113.9-2-70, located in Philmont, New York ("the property") is not being utilized and, therefore, is no longer necessary for public use and maintenance, and does not serve the needs of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received an offer to purchase the property for Twenty-Six Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$26,000.00) from Adrienne Wilson Joergensen; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board believes that the offer meets or exceeds the fair market value of the property and wishes to enter into a formal contract for the purchase and sale with respect to the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Philmont pursuant to the provisions of New York Village Law §1-102, does adopt this resolution authorizing the Philmont Village Mayor or Deputy Mayor to execute any and all documents to sell and transfer the property, said documents being in form and content acceptable to the village attorney, and be it further

Upon question of the foregoing Resolution, the following Philmont Village Board members voted "Aye" in favor of the Resolution:

Trustee Brian Johnson;
Trustee Eilene Morris;
Trustee Laurence Ostrander; and
Trustee Cropper.

The following Philmont Village Board Members voted "No" in opposition,
Thereto: None; and

The Resolution having been approved by a majority of the Village Board, the same was declared duly adopted by the Mayor of the Village of Philmont.

Dated: July 11, 2016

Christine A Speed
Village of Philmont
Village Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

[SEAL]

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS:

UNFINISHED – Trustee Ostrander requested compensation for the missing fire company tag sale items. After discussion Trustee Cropper requested a search of past minutes regarding the issue.

NEW – Dick Howard was present to request assistance from the DPW to post No Parking Signs on Maple Avenue for the Hudson Mohawk Convention Parades, which will take place in the Village on Friday and Saturday. He also asked permission for use of the Villages Sound System. He was granted approval for both requests.

Trustee Cropper noted that a Community Day Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, August 1st at 7pm at the Community Center, all are welcome to attend.

Trustee Ostrander noted that the Philmont Volunteer Fire Company is now covering Level 1 & 2 EMR (Emergency Medical Responder) calls and has 4 certified members at this time. Four additional members are attending EMR classes. Funded by donations from the Greenport Rescue Squad and leftover money from the Philmont Rescue Squad, they are providing a bridge of life saving services until Greenport arrives. Currently no transport is being provided by the Fire Company.

Trustee Morris requested additional funding at the request of Karen Garafalo to change the formatting for the Village Web Site to Word Press. Trustee Cropper raised questions & concerns which will require further research into the matter.

MOTION to adjourn in memory of Irma Haag, was made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A Speed
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
VILLAGE OF PHILMONT