

Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Monday September 11, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor Clarence Speed; Trustees Brian Johnson, Eilene Morris, Douglas Cropper, Laurence Ostrander; Clerk/Treasurer Kimberly Simmons.

MOTION: to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS.

MOTION: to approve the treasurer's report made by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Cropper. ALL AYES, NO NAYS.

MOTION: to approve payment of bills (General, Water, Sewer, Library, Trust & Agency, Summit Lake, & Health Care Deductible # 4) made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

PUBLIC REQUESTS: Michael Seserman was at the last workshop meeting and spoke with the board about naming village parks smoke free. He provided a sample resolution but hasn't heard anything back yet and was wondering what the boards thoughts were. The board informed him they need more time to review.

ATTORNEY FITZSIMMONS: No Report

CLERK/TREASURER SIMMONS: The Office will be closed on Monday October 9th in observance of Columbus Day. The board meeting will be moved to TUESDAY OCTOBER 10th at 7:00. We are having trouble with our email, receiving lots of "junk" mail and a lot of our emails are bouncing back undelivered. I think it's time to look further into obtaining a new domain name and have our emails go through a different server. If we were to have a new domain name then everyone could have an email address like [clerk, dpw, buildinginspector, ect. @villageofphilmont.gov](mailto:clerk_dpw_buildinginspector_ect.@villageofphilmont.gov) or something similar. All normal office tasks and monthly reports have been completed (Bank statements, accounts receivable, accounts payable, garbage sticker sales, notary services, etc.). Summer Hours have ended and we now are working on our regular schedule. Water Turn-Off is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13th at noon.

POLICE REPORT: Given by Officer Willis. The whole department went to the shooting range to qualify this past weekend and the "chicken" issue has been addressed. They will be disappearing soon.

LIBRARY REPORT: Given by Trustee Morris. The motion sensor lights on the pavilion are not working properly. They have received two new lights and they will be replacing the malfunctioning ones soon. Meditation classes will resume on Monday evenings beginning September 11th at 6 pm. A Medicare Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, September 14th at noon with the Columbia County Office for the Aging. Story hour will also resume on the 14th at 10 am. They have been talking with Pine Haven Nursing Home about a multi-generational story hour. They are still working out all the details. The library has been approved for a \$2,000 mini grant from Mid-Hudson Library System for the mobile Library to Whittier and the check should arrive later this year. They also received \$1,264 in State Funds.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Report was given by Trustee Cropper. A copy of the full report is available for review in the village office. The gardens have been weeded and the floors have been cleaned. The center continues to be used by area residents.

MAYOR SPEED: He reported signing all necessary papers and answered complaints. He personally removed a mattress that someone left on Main Street. He stated he will be attending the Community Day Committee Meetings, and he announced the new Police car has arrived and looks very nice. Overall a good month.

TRUSTEE JOHNSON: First gave the DPW/WA/SW report. A copy of which is available in the office for review. He personally met with Chris Hoppe and he will be getting another estimate for concrete work at the library. He also has spoken with Leggett electric about getting a new exhaust fan for the kitchen.

TRUSTEE OSTRANDER: He reported lots of emails for the BOA grant, they are working on sites that will be listed and then built off of. The final project should be delivered soon. He then gave the Fire Company report, a copy of which is available for review in the office.

TRUSTEE CROPPER: He reported speaking with NYMIR representatives about defensive driving classes for village employees and also speaking with Senator Marchione's office (Jeff Clay) on the fire company grant. He

will reach out to them again. He attended the workshop meeting and checked village properties. There have been some problems at Forest Lake and the board needs to decide on a course of action to address this issue.

TRUSTEE MORRIS: She reported a busy month with the American Legion, but has been in contact with the office staff routinely.

CORRESPONDENCE LIST PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION to change the October 2017 Regular Monthly Board Meeting to **TUESDAY OCTOBER 10, 2017 AT 7:00 PM** was made by Trustee Cropper, seconded by Trustee Ostrander. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to put out for bid, the furnishing of No. 2 Fuel Oil, Service, and Maintenance for the Village of Philmont Municipal Building, Library and Community Center. Bids to be opened at the October 10th Board meeting was made by Trustee Cropper, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to reappoint Rain Whittaker to the Philmont Library Board of Trustees effective this date with the term to end September 2022; was made by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Johnson. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to allow the Planning and Zoning Boards permission to utilize online courses for training to meet their mandated contact hours, was made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to sponsor Matthew Putnam, Matthew Novotny, and Richard Silva as Zone 14 Law Enforcement Academy recruits as submitted with all completing interviews, background checks and physical fitness tests; made by Trustee Cropper, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mary Anne Chadwick and Roberta Erlickman both asked about the proposed laws for Prospect and Ellsworth Streets from last month. The mayor told them the board will not be moving forward on either of these. Mark Rountree asked about the problem at Forest Lake and how the board will handle it. Trustee Cropper answered by telling him they are looking at a few different options. One would be to lock the gate and not allow any access, or hand keys out at the office. There was much discussion on this subject with the public, board and the police. The Police Department recommends locking the gate. No final decision was made and the board will continue to look into the best way to handle this.

NEW BUSINESS: Richard Howard inquired about the downstairs windows that need to be replaced. Trustee Ostrander will handle this. Also, the fire company had some trouble with one of overhead doors. They would like to have all the doors serviced. Trustee Johnson will call Madsen Overhead Doors in the morning. There was discussion about the siren on top of the firehouse and whose responsibility it is to have it repaired. The board believes the responsibility should be shared with the fire company and the siren needs to be fixed.

With no further business before them the Mayor asked for a moment of silence in memory of long time resident Mary Linda Harrington and in remembrance of the 9/11 attack.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Johnson. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly J. Simmons
Clerk/Treasurer