

**Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Tuesday October 10, 2017**

PRESENT: Mayor Clarence Speed; Trustees Brian Johnson, Douglas Cropper, Eilene Morris, 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 Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Morris. ALL AYES, NO NAYS.

MOTION: to approve payment of bills (General, Water, Sewer, Library, Trust & Agency, Summit Lake, and Health Care Deductible Abstract #5, BOA Grant Abstract #4) made by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Cropper. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

OIL BID OPENING

One Bid Received.....Montague Oil
Fuel Price.....\$2.2240/gallon (or current market value)
Labor.....\$55.00/hour for service and maintenance.

MOTION to accept the bid from Montague Oil was made by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Cropper. ALL AYES, NO NAYS.

PUBLIC REQUESTS: NONE

ATTORNEY FITZSIMMONS: No Report

CLERK/TREASURER SIMMONS: The Office will be closed on Tuesday November 7th for Election Day and Friday, November 10th for Veterans Day. Garbage pick-up will take place on **WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8TH**. We are working with JV Computers (Joe) on our email trouble. He thinks because we already have the website and domain name of Philmont.org, it would be best if we just used email associated with this domain. We are coordinating with the library for this because they are the ones who "own" the domain name. All monthly and quarterly reports have been completed, as well as all normal office tasks. (Bank statements, accounts receivable, accounts payable, garbage sticker sales, etc.) The October water/sewer bills went out on Friday September 29th and are due without penalty through October. I pulled the weeds in the garden in front of the municipal building last week. The board may want to look into repairing or replacing the raised beds because they are in pretty poor condition.

POLICE REPORT: Given by Officer Tkacy. A copy of the full report is available in the office for review. Trustee Cropper asked about the recent response by our police department for help in Hudson and Hillsdale. Officer Tkacy responded a "Call for ALL Officers" came out and our officers responded. If we were the ones who needed help, the other departments would return the favor. The board should check with our attorney for the legalities if they are concerned about liability issues.

LIBRARY REPORT: Given by Trustee Morris. A copy of the full report is available in the office for review. The motion sensor lights have been installed and are working on the pavilion. Thanks to Patrick Farley and RAB Lighting for doing the install and for donating one of the lights. Story hour will begin this week at Pine Haven. Alan Fox from the USS Slater Destroyer will be holding a talk on November 10th at 2 pm in the library to tell the story of the Destroyer Escort. The teen advisors have decided they would like to start a book to movie club to begin in October or November.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Report was read by Trustee Cropper. A copy of the full report is available in the office for review. The center continues to be used by community members. Work on the new cooking area will begin later this fall.

MAYOR SPEED: The mayor has signed all necessary papers and he has been working with Jack Race on a project to further help our Veterans at the VA hospital. They will be taking a trip up on Friday at noon to distribute personal care items purchased with left over funds from "Thank-A-Vet" day. McNans has donated a cake for them to serve to the Veterans as well. If anyone is interested in going with them or helping out, they should contact him directly. He also noted working on a few complaints about a property on Prospect Street.

TRUSTEE JOHNSON: He first gave the DPW/WA/SW reports, copies of which are available in the office for review. Trustee Johnson then reported working at the library and working with the building inspector on a few items.

TRUSTEE CROPPER: He checked the properties and all looks good. He attended the workshop meeting and has been helping with the plans for the Community Center renovation. He also has been working with City Locksmith on a gate and lock for Forrest Lake. The lake will be locked soon and keys will be available for the public at the office during normal business hours, a deposit will be required. He has also been in contact with Senator Marchione's office about the fire company grant and has been informed to hang in there.

TRUSTEE MORRIS: There was a garbage complaint on Eagle Street that has been handled. She also looked at the outside of the municipal building and it does need work. The trees, ramp and the beds are all in need of attention.

TRUSTEE OSTRANDER: He gave the fire company report, a copy of which is available in the office for review. He attended a BOA Grant meeting, and they are tying up loose ends. They have decided to call the final plan, "Philmont Water Course Area," work still needs to be done but they are nearing completion. LOSAP is earning nicely and he has been in contact with Phil Schnackenberg regarding issues with the fire siren, which is now working.

CORRESPONDENCE LIST PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION to declare that Mayor Speed has conducted the required examination of the Village of Philmont Justice Court records with the intent of improving accountability and controls over justice court finances and records; was made by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Johnson. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to set the Annual Village Elections for **Tuesday March 20, 2018 from noon – 9 pm** in the Village Hall, to elect (2) Trustees for a two year term each and (1) Justice for a four year term; was made by Trustee Cropper, seconded by Trustee Ostrander. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

MOTION to accept with regret the resignation of library board trustee Chris Hoppe effective October 5, 2017 was made by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Cropper. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

**Village of Philmont
Resolution No. 2 of 2017
October 10, 2017
Tobacco-Free Park Resolution**

At the Regular Monthly Village Board Meeting, held at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 124 Main Street, Philmont, New York, the following resolution was proposed and seconded:

Motion made by Trustee Cropper;
Seconded by Trustee Ostrander;

The Village of Philmont hereby adopts the following resolution to establish tobacco-free zones at Village parks.

WHEREAS, smoking is responsible for the premature deaths of over 450,000 Americans each year from lung cancer, heart disease, respiratory illness and other diseases; and

WHEREAS, children exposed to secondhand smoke are more likely to have reduced lung function and symptoms of respiratory irritation; and

WHEREAS, children with asthma who are exposed to secondhand smoke are especially at risk for having their condition worsened by secondhand smoke; and

WHEREAS, Secondhand smoke is responsible for over 50,000 deaths among nonsmokers each year; and

WHEREAS, 90% of smokers started smoking by or before the age of 18, and the average initiation age is 13 years old; and

WHEREAS, everyday and estimated 3,900 young people under the age of 18 try their first cigarette and one-third of these children will die prematurely from tobacco related illnesses; and

WHEREAS, to help role model non-smoking behavior to children and youth; to provide children, youth and their families with a safe, smoke-free environment;

THEREFORE, the Village of Philmont, Columbia County, resolves:

That in areas where children play (parks, playgrounds, ball fields, beaches) appropriate signage will be posted designating tobacco-free zones. The Village Clerk shall certify to the adoption of the resolution.

This resolution will become effective on October 10, 2017.

Kimberly J. Simmons
Village Clerk

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS:

Richard Howard asked about the downstairs windows as well as the kitchen fan. Trustee Ostrander informed him that one window was replaced and the broken glass in the other windows were repaired. The fan is being handled by Leggett Electric and work should start later this month. Community Center Director Julie Veronizi has volunteered to get all the signs the Village needs for proclaiming our park areas "Smoke Free." There was discussion about replacing all seven windows downstairs, bids would need to go out and it was decided this may be a project for next year. The board also discussed the sidewalk clearing law and how we were going to have the walks in violation cleared. The clerk will check with the Village attorney about putting this work out to bid by independent contractors, to be billed per foot of sidewalk. The contractor would need to have proof of insurance and a list would need to be compiled from tickets issued by the Police Department. Per Local Law, if the cost of the cleanup is not paid once issued, a lien would be placed on the property and the cost added to the annual tax bill.

With no further action before them a

MOTION to adjourn in memory of "Pepper" Charron was made by Trustee Ostrander, seconded by Trustee Cropper. ALL AYES, NO NAYS

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly J. Simmons
Clerk/Treasurer