

# **RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

## **December 9, 2013**

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Jon Bagley

Trustees: David Field, Chuck Elwell and John Sawers and Timothy Jabaut.

ABSENT: None

ATTENDANCE: Art Rilands, Dodie Baker, Janet Landcastle, Chandra Gilman and Steve Griffin.

RE: Calling the Meeting to Order

Mayor Bagley called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00pm.

RE: Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the November 18, 2013 Board meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Timothy Jabaut to approve the minutes as printed. Trustee John Sawers seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: Finger Lakes Economic Development Center: Steve Griffin

Steve Griffin introduces himself as the CEO of the Finger Lakes Economic Development Center, which also acts as the Yates County Industrial Development Agency. Yates County IDA was re-branded as FLEDC to help market their desire and ability to help all types of businesses. FLEDC is setup to assist businesses with low-interest financing, tax incentives or general business assistance. FLEDC works with existing and prospective businesses to help them invest in Yates County. When businesses become successful they employ individuals and make additional capital investments in the local economy. Mr. Griffin went on to explain in more detail how the FLEDC assists businesses. He said their most popular program is the low interest loans for new or expanding businesses. Their current interest rate is 2.6%. Trustee Charles Elwell asked where the funding for the FLEDC comes from. Mr. Griffin stated that some of it is grand funding, through a revolving fund; the money is loaned out, paid back and then loaned out again. The funding for the entrepreneur loan comes from payment from the Empire Pipeline. Additional funding also comes from property the FLEDC owns and rent out to other businesses. He went on to explain they are not a County Agency and are not funding by the County. Mayor Jon Bagley asked what their average loan size was. Mr. Griffin said their average loan amount was probably around \$25,000 but they have done loans as small as \$1,500 and as large as \$300,000.

RE: Public Work's Supervisor: Art Rilands

The residents at 9 Chapel Street are parking on the road again and it is creating issues when snow plowing. Art is worried about backing into a car when trying to turn around at the dead end street when plowing. The Board Members agreed to send one final notice to the owner and the resident about not parking on the Street and if they park on the street again they will be towed.

Art shared he feels the kinks in the water plant are finally getting worked out. Wind Sun Construction still has things to do but he doesn't foresee getting them to come back to the water plant to finish the work. Art also informed the Board that a few a few water department employees from the Town of Gorham have been to the plant to

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become knowledgeable enough of our system in case assistance is needed in an emergency.

Art discussed the issue of needing to replace fire hydrants because the old fire hydrants don't meet the new EPA standards. The new fire hydrants are around \$2,050. The Village currently had one fire hydrant that needs to be replaced and Art suggests the Village purchases two new fire hydrants right now. Blair Supply currently has 30 hydrants in stock that they need to sell.

A motion was made by Trustee David Field to purchase two new fire hydrants and Trustee Timothy Jabaut seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: Fire Department Report

No report was provided

RE: Reading Center Director: Dodie Baker

A copy of this report is on file with these minutes.

The Circle of Friends craft sale inside the Library on December 7<sup>th</sup> was a success. The luncheon for Volunteer was also a success. Eleven volunteers enjoyed lunch at Corn House Café at the Loomis Barney

In memory of Barney DeVires people of the community have donated \$70 to the Reading Center towards the purchase of Mr. DeVires favorite large print books. Dodie Baker asked if the Village would match the donations so she can place plaques with Mr. Devires name on all of the books purchased.

A motion was made by Trustee David Field to match the donations and Trustee John Sawers seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: Code Enforcement Officer: Reggie O'Hearn

No report provided. Reggie O'Hearn was not in attendance.

RE: Water Improvement Project

Remove item from the agenda.

RE: Safe Routes to School Sidewalks Project

Safe Routes to School Sidewalks Project is coming along well. Bid packages will be ready to go out by the end of the year. The Village needs grading release forms signed by the residents on the south side of Gilbert Street to make sure the yards are transition evenly to the new sidewalks. Bruce St. Lawrence will be going around in the next 7-8 days to have residence sign the grading release form.

RE: Bay Water Easement

Attorney Kenyon is still working to file the petition for a judge's interpretation of the easement.

RE: Sewer Beds

We have not yet received notice of the award announcements from the sewer planning study grant application.

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RE: 2014 Health Insurance Premiums

Mayor Bagley discussed with the Board members the idea of creating an Insurance Committee to handle the final decision making for the 2014 calendar year. We were not able to gather all the necessary information to make a decision at the meeting. He asked if anyone specifically wanted to be on the committee. It was agreed upon that Trustees Elwell and Sawers, along with Mayor Bagley, would be on the committee to make the final decision regarding the 2014 health insurance plans and premiums.

A motion was made by Trustee David Field and seconded by Trustee Timothy Jabaut to authorize the Insurance Committee comprised of Trustee Elwell, Trustee Sawers and Mayor Bagley to make the final decision regarding the 2014 health insurance plan and subsequent premium. Unanimously carried.

RE: Douglas Drive/Trimble Hill Subdivision

Mayor Jon Bagley asked the Board of Trustees if the Village would pay to install a water line and sewer line to the end of Phase One of the Subdivision, which is the end of the dedicated roadway. Phase One was dedicated to the Village by Doug Hey and is owned by the Village of Rushville. Mayor Bagley found a contractor that would charge \$12.00 per foot to dig the trench and \$7.00 per foot to install the line in. He believes it's around 50-60 feet from where the current line ends to the end of Phase 1. Estimated cost is around \$1,000. Art Rilands would like to see a firm cost on paper. Trustee David Field feels the water and sewer lines should go to the end of Phase One. This item is still open for discussion.

NEW: Charity Fund Gifts

Trustee Charles Elwell feels he has a candidate for this year's charity fund. Trustee Charles Elwell would like to give the Durgan family \$200.00 to help pay monthly bills. A motion was made by Trustee John Sawers to give the Durgan family \$200.00. Trustee Charles Elwell second the motion. Unanimously carried.

Mayor Jon Bagley asked if anyone else had a candidate suggestion and if so to inform the Clerk before Christmas so the gifts could be distributed.

RE: Bills

A motioned by Trustee David Field seconded by Trustee John Sawers to authorize payment of the general Fund bills in the amount of \$4,714.30. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell and seconded by Trustee John Sawers to authorize payment of the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project bills in the amount of \$4,946.33. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee John Sawers and seconded by Trustee David Field to authorize payment of the cemetery bills in the amount of \$390.00. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee David Field and seconded by Trustee Charles Elwell to authorize payment of the water bills in amount of \$3,096.93. Unanimously carried.

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A motion was made by Trustee timothy Jabaut and seconded by Trustee David Field to authorize payment of the sewer bills in amount of \$4,171.26. Unanimously carried.

RE: Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Timothy Jabaut and seconded by Trustee David Field to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Bergstresser  
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Jennifer Gruschow  
Village Clerk-Treasurer