

THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

DATE: 11/18/24

TIME: 7:00pm

PLACE: The Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Art Rilands, Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton, Trustee Doug Rigby, Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner, Trustee Chandra Gilman, Clerk Jeannie Kesel, Code Officer Tim Pagel, Public Works Supervisor Neal Curtis, Fire Chief Jim Adams

Approximately 8 people attended the meeting (sign in sheet available at the Village Office)

The Mayor called the Board Meeting to order at 7:00 pm

RE: Salute to the Flag:

The Mayor asked everyone to rise and join in the Pledge to the Flag.

RE: Approval of Minutes:

The Mayor asked the Trustees if they had any corrections to the board minutes from the October 21, 2024 meeting. There being no corrections, Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner made a motion to approve the October 21, 2024 minutes. Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton made a 2nd to the motion. Trustee Chandra Gilman abstained because she was absent from the October 21st meeting. The motion carried.

RE: Ed Gilman, Planning Board Chairman:

- Ed reminded the board that the next Zoning Code meeting is Thursday, November 21st at 7:00.

RE: Public Comments:

- None

RE: Resolution 19-2024 – “To Set Date for Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 3-2024 Entitled “A Local Law Authorizing the Village Board to Hire the Village Mayor to Temporarily Fill the Appointed Position of Department of Public Works Supervisor”:

- Mayor Rilands offered the above resolution.

A motion for approval of Resolution 19-2024 to “To Set Date for Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 3-2024 Entitled “A Local Law Authorizing the Village Board to Hire the Village Mayor to Temporarily Fill the Appointed Position of Department of Public Works Supervisor” was made by Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner and a second from Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton.

There was a roll call vote –

Trustee Doug Rigby	Yes
Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton	Yes
Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner	Yes

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Trustee Chandra Gilman	No
Mayor Art Rilands	Abstained

The motion carried.

RE: Resolution 21-2024 – “To Set Date for Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 4-2024 Entitled “A Local Law Authorizing the Village Board to Convey Real Property by Gift to the Mabel D. Blodgett Memorial Library”:

-Mayor Rilands offered the above resolution.

A motion for approval of Resolution 21-2024 “To Set Date for Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 4-2024 Entitled “A Local Law Authorizing the Village Board to Convey Real Property by Gift to the Mabel D. Blodgett Memorial Library” was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and a second from Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton.

There was a roll call vote –

Trustee Doug Rigby	Yes
Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton	Yes
Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner	Yes
Trustee Chandra Gilman	Yes
Mayor Art Rilands	Yes

The motion unanimously carried.

RE: Mayor’s Report:

- Regarding the Libel property – Jim Liebel lost his first attempt at a bankruptcy. So, the foreclosure process has started again. The next court date is December 10th in Yates County Court. Erica Masler, our Syracuse lawyer, will be handling this. David MacKnight, our Rochester lawyer, has mentioned a couple of times about trying to possibly work out a deal with Jim Liebel. I do not believe we should. The Mayor asked the Board for their opinion. The Board agreed to move forward with the foreclosure. The Mayor also brought to the Board’s attention that the Village may not get what is owed against the property under this foreclosure action.
- The Mayor said that there is nothing new on LNB coming to the Village. They still need approval at the State level.
- Chris is going to stay with the Village. Neal is taking time off when their baby is born in February. We have the information from Jeff Graff, our attorney, about me possibly being able to work for the Village while Neal is away. Now that Chris is staying, I might not have to help unless there is an emergency.

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RE: Deputy Mayor's Report:

- Karen wanted to remind the Board that Christmastime in Rushville is December 6th at the Library.

RE: Public Works Supervisor:

Streets:

- We have been picking leaves up. Looks like we'll have to do at least one more round. We had to install a new street sign for Water Street at the corner of Gilbert, as someone ran it over with their vehicle. Flags have been removed for the year and banners have been swapped out to the Christmastime in Rushville banners. We will be planning on hanging Christmas lights this week. We continue to bug NYSEG about street lights. We currently have 6 out.

Water:

- Chris has sent in his application for water certification to DOH. We will wait to hear back as to when he will meet with them for a test. We had a circuit rider from NYRW out to Douglas Drive to correlate where a leak may be. There was discrepancy as to whether the leak was on our side or the customer's side of the service.

Sewer:

- Chris will head to sewer school for the first 2 weeks of December. UV lights have been removed until May.

Miscellaneous:

- A new bench donated by the Lions Club, has been installed along the trail. Picnic tables and outdoor library furniture have been stored for the winter. We have been working around the barn to get things ready for inclement weather. The dump trailer auction began today and ends December 2nd. We will have 48 hours after the end of the auction to accept or reject the final price. The current price is \$2,650.00

A motion to accept the highest bid on December 2, 2024 was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and was seconded by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton. The motion unanimously carried.

RE: Fire Report:

- Chief Adams' report is attached.
- The Fire Department will be participating in Christmastime in Rushville December 6th.

RE: Code Enforcement Officer:

- Issue Permits
- Inspection of projects in progress
- Training via Webinars
- The state is going to require a rental registry. Their interest is in buildings built before 1980 containing rental units with the possibility of lead paint.

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- Training class on November 21st all day.
- The state has extended the burn ban until November 30th
- I have contacted Kevin Kinney from Canandaigua National Bank regarding 9 Chapel Street. I explained to Kevin that there are at least 14 vehicles on the property and some are parked in the street. I told Kevin that I can do a reinspection which will cost \$100. Kevin said that he would talk with Maria and get things cleaned up. I explained to Kevin that this situation is on going and never seems to get resolved.

RE: Bills:

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner to authorize payment of the General bills in the amount of \$29,940.41. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Cheryl Hilton-Vadner and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize payment of the Cemetery bills in the amount of \$15.59. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Doug Rigby to authorize the payment of the Water bills in the amount of \$9,356.45. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$2,745.30. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie Kesel, Clerk/Treasurer