

Village of Alexandria Bay
Regular Board Meeting
June 14, 2022
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5:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Trustee Strough
Trustee Derrigo
Trustee Fulmer
Trustee Demo
Mayor Jarvis

Public Concerns: Mark Reynolds addressed concerns with the Village Board. Docks on the Waterfront of Bethune Street, he would like to know the status of that issue. Attorney Burrows stated that it will be in litigation this coming week. In relation to the docks at Hills Motor Court, what is the stipulations on the 4 house boats being rented as rooms? Are they being piped for Water/Sewer? Is sewage going into the Bay? Trustee Fulmer states he can call the Department of Health in Watertown for quick answers. He asks about zoning and parking for the 4 units also.

Mr. & Mrs. Reynolds are putting new sidewalks in and so is their neighbor; a piece of sidewalk in front of the Post Office is about 40-foot-long needs replacing; He suggests the Village take advantage and fix that at the same time.

J.P. Marina is his other issue; storage and display is being done. Mr. Reynolds also speaks of the sign that was installed illegally, no permit was issued, a stop work order was issued and work was never stopped. A Boat is parked in front of the buildings and is bigger then allowed. No permits were issued. Political signs were hung also, no consultation with the Village was done about removing parking meters of the Villages. Mayor Jarvis states the parking meters were replaced and the property owner will be billed for the costs. Attorney the Planning Officer and Village Board are working on signs and sign moratorium is in effect until July 20, 2022. A lawsuit is pending. Mr. Shimel states a piece of property can have a boat on each parcel.

Correspondence: Dean and Tracy Woods requested variances for straightening out their land lines, upon further investigation it was found that part of a porch is on Village property. **Motion by:** Trustee Derrigo, seconded by Trustee Demo to table discussion for more discussion, all in favor, Motion carried.

Minutes: **Motion by:** Trustee Derrigo, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to accept Minutes from May 10, 2022, all in favor, Motion carried.

Bills: **Motion by:** Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Strough to pay bills abstract # 25, all in favor, Motion carried.

Abstract # 25

General: \$ 160,606.15
Water: \$ 23,110.77
Sewer: \$ 23,457.47
Captial: \$ 4,644.57
TA: \$ 326.81
Total: \$ 212,145.77

Trustee Reports:

Trustee Fulmer: The Dive Park is done. We have no Beach permit yet. The Village only has 2 lifeguards at the current time. Casino Island looks good. The Park looks good. A teeter totter discussion is ongoing. The Village got 3 million of 11 million needed for Water. She would like to have an electrician look at lights on bridge to Casino Island.

Trustee Strough: The golf course hired a couple more employees. One is leaving for a new full-time job. Courses are wet all around the area. The mayor states that a timetable of rain shows that in 2021 7.5 inches from March to June. In 2022 11.1 inches of rain has fallen from March to 2 weeks into June.

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Trustee Derrigo: Docks are open on the weekends and will be open full time in another week. The Rotary plans on going in the restrooms on the docks and doing some work to make them easier to clean and upgrade the stalls. They have about \$ 15,000.00 to work with currently. The new flush toilets may take a little longer to get.

Trustee Demo: The new playground is coming along nicely. The posts and cement are in, Sidewalks are in. The State Inspector stated we have some of the top-notch equipment he has seen and is great safety features. Hearts for Youth would like to use the back corner of the parking lot to do a kid's painting class on July 30th, 2022. **Motion by:** Trustee Demo, seconded by Trustee Fulmer, all in favor, Motion carried.

DPW Report: Parking meters are up. Lines on Streets will begin Wednesday morning. Dock that was broken has been replaced. Seaweed by the bathrooms has been removed after the company with the seaweed extractor had cultivated it. Cold patching and sweeping are an everyday job along with brush. Getting ready for summer functions, river clean up and river fest. Clean up week was May 16th to May 20th that kept 3 of my crew busy for that week. The Beach has been installed with the ropes, buoys, and chairs. We are still waiting on the Beach permit. The retaining wall is moving along but due to the bed rock the process has been slow.

Zoning Report: Planning Board had a Harbor Subdivision meeting. A shared access with Pine Tree Point is the question. The Planning Board has concerns if Harbor Villa's will loose parking due to the division? The Comprehensive Plan would like to see the Sign Moratorium be extended another 4 months. Sign Law-What is the Villages stand on who will oversee the Sign Ordinance? Planning or Zoning. The Village needs to decide on this sooner than later. **Motion by:** Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to set a Public Hearing on July 12,2022 at 5:15 pm, to consider extending the Sign Moratorium for 4 months.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Fulmer
Trustee Strough
Trustee Derrigo
Trustee Demo
Mayor Jarvis

Motion carried.

Police Report: The Police Department had 34 complaints, 0 arrests, 0 V&T tickets issued and 7 warnings, 1 parking ticket issued and 4 warnings. 23 building checks. Report submitted by OIC Joshua David.

Old Business:

REDI and Streetscape Projects:

Gregor Smith reports the REDI contracts have been awarded to DC Builders and S & L Contractors and notices have been sent. Bonds and Insurance forms have been sent and a pre-construction should be able to be set for early July. DC Builders would like to start with the Wharf initially.

An Easement is needed with the Chavoustie's; he will reach out to Attorney Burrows for this.

DC Builders would like to work more than the standard days; they would like to work 10-hour days. The time changes do not affect the contracts at all. **Motion by:** Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Strough to authorize the mayor to sign the paperwork to allow DC Builders to work more than 8-hour days, all in favor, Motion carried.

Drinking water project: They are working on it and hope to have in by the end of July along with the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The intended use plan done by EFC. The deadline for updates is this Friday for the Water and Wastewater project. **Motion by:** Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Demo to authorize a general inflation factor of 15% to 20% to be updated on the paperwork for this application, all in favor, Motion carried.

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New Business:

Hire: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Strough to hire Mike Phillips, Larry Briere and Austin Parker as Seasonal Golf Course Assistants at \$ 15.00 per hour, all in favor, Motion carried.

JP Marine: On the Suggestion of Attorney Burrows; The Village will not discuss issues with JP Marine in reference to questions on the continuing litigation.

North Country Elite Stallions: Motion by: Trustee Strough, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to authorize the Stallion Cheer to host a Golf Tournament on July 30th at the Municipal Golf Course for \$ 13.00 per person, all in favor, Motion carried.

Jerrys Run for Cancer: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer seconded by Trustee Derrigo to authorize Jerrys run for cancer to bring a 2006 Toyota Truck to the Village to sell chances on the stipulation they attempt to reach out to Singer Castle first to see if they can park it in the lot on the corner of Church and James Street, all in favor, Motion carried.

Upper James Street Dock: Motion by: Trustee Strough, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to authorize the Trident Yacht Club to utilize the Upper James Street Docks for a donation to the Village on July 8-10 leaving the finger docks available for the General Public, all in favor, Motion carried.

Water/Sewer Rates: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Demo to set a Public Hearing for July 12,2022 at 5:20 to consider changing Water and Sewer rates in the Village, all in favor, Motion carried.

Pickle Ball Courts: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Derrigo to allow two (2) more pickle ball courts to be painted on the current courts. Mary Lou Williams spoke, and the pickle ball community will pay for the purchase of two new pickle ball net systems and will have the courts painted if the Village supplies the paint, all in favor, Motion carried.

Stat Communications: Motion by: Trustee Strough, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to deny the request for a gate system for the Tennis and pickle ball courts. The Village Board states the Village can make new signage to state players need to sign in and pay for use of the courts, all in favor, Motion carried.

Mishor Holds: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Derrigo to authorizes Attorney Burrows Office to more forward with litigation against Mishor Holdings,

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Fulmer-yes
Trustee Strough-yes
Trustee Derrigo-yes
Trustee Demo-yes
Mayor Jarvis-yes
Motion carried.

Millionaires Club: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Derrigo to authorize Attorney Burrows Office to move forward with litigation against the Millionaires Club.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Fulmer-yes
Trustee Strough-yes
Trustee Derrigo-yes
Trustee Demo-yes
Mayor Jarvis-yes
Motion carried.

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Executive Session: Motion by: Trustee Fulmer, seconded by Trustee Derrigo to enter executive session at 7:02 pm and invite Clerk-Treasurer Briere in for litigation discussion, all in favor, Motion carried.

Regular Session: Motion by: Trustee Derrigo, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to enter regular session at 7:16 pm, all in favor, Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion by: Trustee Derrigo, seconded by Trustee Fulmer to adjourn at 7:16 pm, all in favor, Motion carried.

Molly Briere

Clerk-Treasurer