*Village Meeting*

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County of Iroquois

Village of Loda Board

March 9, 2022

 The Village of Loda Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on March 9, 2022, at the Village Hall. Present were President Carol Areseneau, Clerk Regina Ptacek, Treasurer Myles Reck Trustees: Cathy Tittle, JR Ptacek, Jon Boone, Teresa Reck and Village attorney Dale Strough.

Meeting called to order at 7pm, all spoke the Pledge of Allegiance.

Teresa motion to waive reading and approve minutes as written, Jon second, all aye, motion carried

ERH- work report: no questions

Water Tower- Tom: project was to have nomadic tank and realized rehab inside and outside, apparently there is not a man way big enough to get into interior of tank. Will need to do a bigger man way cut into the tank that will be on the inside of the building. Proposal is 24 diameter access, cost $5756.02, we did check around with other contractors and this is about correct amount. Tom clarified coating inside and outside of the tank. After the tank is done will be used as a backup tank to keep pressure on the new tank. Cathy concern with continual changes and now this new additional and we are having to dish out more, Carol clarified that this is covered not extra. Tom clarified that there is a contingency fund. JR clarified there is a drain in the back, but it is small. Tom verified anytime there is a change or increase there must be a vote.

Teresa motion to accept change and approve the $5756.02 For the access hole be made to tank. Jon second, roll call- Jon-yes, Teresa-yes, Cathy-no, JR-no, Carol-yes, 3-yes, 2 no, motion carried

Steel for tank should be delivered next month and hopefully start installing tank. There has also been some pipe and other items arriving.

Building Permit: Carol noticed big pole building 80X80 at Webbers, never got a permit. Building is now complete, Carol did ask to cease work, but they did not and completed work. $50 application fee and sent a check for $1750.00 and that covers the permits. Webber apologizes and says won’t happen again.

Permit for Romero Garcia: Carol has application for small 3-bedroom house w/attached garage, they told Carol they were going to tear down with Mike Michaels and waiting on weather to get machinery in. then Carol received permit, but it is not filled out completely and Carol will send back to her to complete. Cathy Casper asked Carol if she should like her to call Carol when sees some change. Carol verified Mike Michaels will be doing removal. Carol verified that if they are using any of the old then need to be inspected. Lawyer verified that we have sent letters, and this is their response. We need completed application to figure out cost of permit.

Committees: Carol did verify we can get leak fixed on water building. Teresa will make calls on other roof questions. JR verified leak at the park is fixed.

Bills- Jon motion to pay the bills, Teresa second, roll call, all ayes, motion carried

Lawyer- verified serving notice with Garcia’s and they seem to be contacting Carol.

Ordinance 2022-01: Repeal ordinance 2013-7 pertaining to operation of Golf Carts, repeal ordinance in full, Carol verified we must repeal old ordinance and then next month we will do new ordinance and will leave off the 4 wheelers as they are not street legal. Dale verified repeal old ordinance you’re not forbidding golf carts, repealing the old ordinance that permitted them, proabition is in the state statues unless the Village has permission to permit them. The current 2013-7 to be repealed and then new ordinance will not mention registration, or maintenance.

Public inquire for what going to do about the four wheelers, golf carts and other devices from Lake Iroquois. JR verified good questions but tonight this is repeal and next month address other items.

JR pass Ordinance 2022-01 to repeal Ordinance 2013-07, Teresa second, roll call, all ayes, motion passed.

Lawyer verified have pending ordinance for recognizing and pass for Treasurer salary and will do next month.

New:

Resignation received letter at last meeting for resignation from Gene Breeden and other day received Ronda Breeden resignation effective 3/3/2022.

Carol appoints Dave Areseneau as Trustee, he was in last election and lost by 4 votes and helps Carol with many Village things

JR verified as it should be, he ran in the election and good decision. Cathy inquires for advertising, Carol verified won’t be advertised. Dale verified appointment is up to the mayor and may get the advice and consent from the council.

Teresa verified he ran on ballot and shows his interest in position and an obvious choice. Jon agreed

JR motion to appoint Dave to Trustee, Teresa second, roll call vote, all ayes

Regina Swore in Dave.

Carol noticed another gas tank in residential area and that is an EPA violation. It is on Maple Street and will get a picture and information to lawyer to send a letter. Jon asked if turn over to EPA or lawyer, Carol said will just have the lawyer unless we need to involve EPA.

Committee- meter reads this month

Trustees- JR looking into future will need to readdress the water ordinance in bringing everyone into the infrastructure family and costs will all be even.

Carol verified if Teresa had chance on Grants, Teresa replied no. Carol verified has one that ends April, \* American rescue plan act. Carol verified for $50,000, Teresa also has information and will look.

Motor Fuel Tax, currently about $65,000. Carol verified coat on Jefferson st and cemetery for second layer, verified Walnut, Mulberry, Hickory. Carol asked township to use machine from before and waiting on response. Carol and Tom will get together for map. Jr said to get road pack for alley, Carol said yes. Tom verified about 20 tons. Myles said that on snow plowing also that Jackson is getting horrible on both sides town as it needs to be done. Carol added to list.

Carol mention we need to think of Mowing and put out for bid. Jon thought last year pretty good and just need to have weeds taken care of. Since less the $20,000 does not have to be posted. Dudley agreed to do same as last year

Myles will get with JR for 110 South Maple for lien for mowing from 2021.

Cathy wants to put out for bid, Jon verified we want to rehire who we had last year. Cathy states not right for public that wants to do it.

Cathy motion to put mowing out for bid, JR second motion, roll call JR-yes, Teresa-no, Cathy-yes, Dave-no, Carol-no, Jon-no, motion does not pass

Teresa motion to accept previous Ron Dudley for mowing and donate the funds to Legion for the same cost as last year at $350.00-week, JR second. Roll call, JR-yes, Jon-yes, Teresa-yes, Cathy-no, Dave-yes, Carol-yes, motion carried.

New- Teresa inquire for stand on bushes that are on Village that are growing into the alley ways, If can be trimmed or removed? Carol verified a trustee can cut them back or we can hire someone to cut. If need to be removed and are on Village property only and we know property line, then the Village can make decision. And Carol verified also as will need to do Julie’s before digging. Carol also verified for trees to be removed or trimmed.

Teresa verified if the bush is blocking sidewalk or road for safety concerns, trimming, or removing.

Dave- blue tractor needs service as PTO leaking fluid. JR inquire for truck and

Carol suggestion and board to think about it. We don’t use backhoe and we spend money on it. Get rid of backhoe, truck, mower, snowplow and for the Village to purchase a 1 ton truck that would take care everything, possibly with hydraulic lift. Get rid of 3 older equipment and get something that is more functional and stop putting money into them. Carol verified would be up for bid. Also need to decide on Genzel property to sell.

Clerk- economic interest forms, new questions so please read and fill out and mail to Watseka

Public- no comments

Dave motion to adjourn, Teresa second 8:05