*Village Meeting*

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County of Iroquois

Village of Loda Board Meeting

9/13/2017

 The Village of Loda Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on September 13, 2017 at the Village Hall. Present were: President Carol Areseneau, Treasurer: Myles Reck Trustees: Ronda Breeden, Cathy Tittle, Jon Boone, Joyce Gharst, Richard Manzke, Patricia Allen and Village attorney Dale Strough. Meeting called to order at 7pm, all spoke the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minute: Ronda motion to approve with corrections to meeting minutes and Executive Session approve and waive reading on both minutes August 9 & 11, 2017, 2nd Jon, all aye. Motion carries

Zoning committee has been rescheduled and Recyclers have hired an attorney and working on correct petition and will reschedule meeting

ERH: work report, all good

LSD: meeting 9/14/17 Carol has a figure going to bring up at meeting and will see how it goes. Cathy verified figure for what was she thinking? Carol verified has an amount in mind and will talk and present amount at the meeting.

Old

Jake Wise: present at meeting property is not in Jake Wise and Carol verified that building permit is not valid. Carol verified sewage permit not valid. Carol verified not permission to move house in and not permitted for sewage. Jake needs sewage permit and whoever owns the house that property sitting on needs permit. Jake owns house and aunt owns property. Attorney verified issues building permit was revoked due to inadequate for sewage and ownership. Attorney verified need to file application for building permit and include sewer and attach to that the information form public health that they have approved. Go thru correct procedures and file new application properly. Carol gave application to Jake now. Cathy verified what Jake needs to file out? Attorney restated needs application for permit including sewage with all ownership and layout then give back to village board. Verified that the owner needs to be involved since land in aunts name. Jon verified if any questions to call Carol.

Water tower: few income surveys that are hard to catch and need to finish. Doug and Tom present. Doug with Phoenix Consulting does the funds for municipalities. Verified information with the board on application, due 12/15/17 and will prepare application, EPA permit, submitting all paperwork for steps before Thanksgiving. \*\*In November will do public hearing before meeting with info then at Village meeting will go over information and proceed with resolution for process. Village is set financially with water fund for what grant doesn’t cover. Letters from citizens for water tower needs would be great to include, we will contact fire department also to verify the need. Will have a new overview of the current water tower. Board to give permission for mayor and clerk to give authorization for the EPA application. Ronda gave motion to have Carol and Regina authorization to sign the EPA permit application. Jon 2nd. Roll call motion carried. Carol verified to have current tower inspected again about $3000.00, last was in 2012. They will also update the estimate to bring the current tower up to code vs new one. Ronda authorize to have water tower inspected cost to not go over 3500.00 Pat 2nd roll call motion carried.

Roads: Tom spent 72381.54 under the bid amount. Non bid 22000.00 came in at 19500.00. Carol has paperwork that needs to be signed and return to IDOT and get all complete. Jon said few spots thin on gravel but not bad. Tom will check areas. No local complaints Carol verified glad done while was still warm and is hard and we have not had that. Cathy was wondering why Elm street was done when was done recently with black top but other parts of the road was bad, needed to have some research for what was being done on certain roads. Tom verified and do a smaller program since we were under and have money left and next year to do areas. Tom said to look at roads this fall to see for next year. Jon made motion for Carol to sign IDOT forms, Pat 2nd roll call motion carried. Carol showed Tom on map where concerns were for Elm section that was black top and didn’t need done but north end needs work but wasn’t completed. Carol then gave papers and payment to Tom.

Coe property: all cleaned off and getting bill to attorney and file lien. We don’t own it, we had authority to tear property down now we file lien for title and recover cost. Property will go to public sale and need closed meeting on what bid property worth or what the village has into it.

No building permits

Clean up: sent letters and have had one returned and turned to lawyer for trailer on Jefferson. Property on other side interstate is owned by county and lawyer sending letter for them to clean up. Some cleanup has been done on properties we have sent out. Will start new set of properties that need addressed

Pavilion: will start on that anytime

Board wanted to add sign to pavilion dedicated to Roy H for all his years of service will be mounted on pavilion when rebuilt. Roy present and thanked board

Treasurer: auditor; all records in order, financial statements are very good. Recommendation: last couple years have levy more but not receiving more. Corp levy is maxed amount at this time, other areas you can levy and bump up 5% and with new water tower will need cash. Looking at water bills approximately 42% are at the min and at $30 for 2 month, and that doesn’t cut and recommend to raise rates. Board verified suggestion, $ 15.00 month is very low for area, not enough to run the system. Stan verified when submit loan and water rates and ability to pay and cash flow is low. Board will look into it and Stan is only recommendation. Joyce verified rates haven’t been changed for about 15 years. Myles will look into history for when last change was.

Trustees:

Cathy: trees estimates from Prices Tree Service from Onarga and include stump removal $6975.00 for 8 trees. Once approved will start work. Ronda motion accept bid from Prices not to exceed $7000. 2nd Joyce roll call motion carried

Ronda: Bush at road at Rt 45 and Jackson street just needs to be trimmed at sign on north end town. Carol verified not removing since was donated but will be trimmed back

New: Golf Carts

We are getting carts from other towns and ATV from Cissna driving around town, Board needs to look at ordinance and tighten up and if going to lower fee. Carol said look at fee and ordinance and set up a day to get all inspected, or a month instead of different days. Has been asked that we take to consideration to lower the fee. Not in it to make money just make sure legal. Cathy has complaints with trucks racing and demolition cars run from street into yard to hit car. Concern is with families with kids in that area.

Treasurer:

Water bill for Carl Evans $340 and request for ½ off. Never had ½ off. Jon motion for ½ off bill, 2nd Cathy. All in favor, all ayes, no opposed.

6 month cd for it to roll over. Ronda motion to roll cd Pat 2nd roll call, all ayes. motion carried

In bills need to include check to pay auditor 3995.00.

Attorney: clerk signed notices on properties that will be sending out. Auditor mentioned levy and concern with recommendation and to bring levy notice next month

Bills. Ronda pay bills with addition of auditor’s fee $3995.00, 2nd Cathy, roll call all ayes, motion carried

Public:

Hutch change yield to stop signs on Poplar and Adams, board states the ones we do have for stops and they are ignored. Concerned with number of kids playing in that area and this week over 6 vehicles that don’t slow down. Cathy verified to have stop sign and put residents at ease. Cathy recommend and Carol verified will check in maintenance building for sign.

Paula encouraged public to attend LSD meeting at 5:15p at firehouse 9/14.

Roy H Have we looked into grant for park?

Sandy Coffey having a block party end of Elm street and asking to shut streets down from 12:00 – 8:00 from Jackson to Virginia on 30 September. Jon motion to approve closing street for block party, Ronda 2nd motion carried

Ronda motion adjourn, pat second