



VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 26th, 2019 @ 4:30 PM

North Syracuse Community Center

700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began at 4:30 P.M. with Mayor Gary Butterfield asking everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Gary Butterfield, Dep. Mayor Browning, and Trustee LouAnn St. Germain.

Personnel Present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Dianne Kufel, and Police Chief William Becker.

Personnel Absent: Trustee Chris Strong (Work), Trustee Fred Wilmer (Illness), CEO Brian Johnstone, DPW Superintendent Ed Ware, Parks Director Teresa Roth, Fire Chief Robert Liberatore, Village Attorney Scott Chatfield, and Village Engineer Amy Franco.

RESOLUTION # 208-19

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the minutes from on November 14th, 2019 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 209-19

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

The Mayor shared in this abstract is the New York State Retirement bill for all employees in the amount of \$276,763. Trustee St. Germain made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$343,397.46 covering Voucher #693 to Voucher #766. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 210-19

SEWER FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$32.97 covering Voucher #18. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Gary Butterfield all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 211-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

The Mayor stated transfer of monies is for shortage going to the Cellular System. Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A1620.28 Buildings-New Phone System to increase A7180.475 Buildings-Sonitrol in the amount of \$613.50. The motion was



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seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 212-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

The Mayor stated transfer of monies is to cover shortage in conference room/lobby remodel. Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A1620.27 Bldgs.-Vlg. Hall Improvements in the amount of \$3,416 and from A1620.28 Bldgs.-New Phone System in the amount of \$310.64 to increase A1620.444 Buildings Remodel in the amount of \$3,726.64. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 213-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

The Mayor stated transfer of monies from Overage in Workers Comp. to offset Unemployment-DPW-Lamphere that was not budgeted. Trustee St. Germain made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A9040.8 Workers Comp. to increase A9050.8 Unemployment in the amount of \$2,394. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 214-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A9040.8 Workers Comp. to increase A5110.27 Paving/Striping Mun. Lot in the amount of \$3,435. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 215-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Trustee St. Germain made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A3389C Revenue Child Pass. Safety to increase A3120.27 Police Expenses Relating to Child Seats in the amount of \$1,893.23. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 216-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A3389 Traffic Safety Revenue to increase A3120.142 Police Shifts worked for Traffic Safety in the amount of \$1,451.47.



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The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION 217-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A3389-U Revenue Walmart Grant to increase A3120.479 Police Juvenile Svcs. Safety Day in the amount of \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning and Mayor Gary Butterfield all voting favor of the same.

OLD BUSINESS:

CHURCH ST./CHESTNUT ST.-OCWA: UPDATE

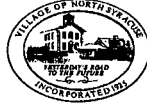
The Mayor stated we are basically wrapping up the OCWA project. He continued we have a little more paving there which is supposed to be done by year end; they are going to go over it one more time so it is level there, so that it will not dip at the corner. He added they were going down Chestnut St., smoothing out the soil and planting a few seeds of grass, he saw what they did, and it is rather sparse; but they can fix it and it is final, so it is almost done. He stated the blacktop plants will stay open if the weather cooperates with us. He continued it is not perfect, but we just have to make it through the winter and then we can do the real paving project next year. He clarified it is real paving, not cold patch.

**DISCUSS VILLAGE HALL: FRONT REDESIGN-
APPROVE ENGINEER DESIGN PLAN**

The Mayor stated the next item on the agenda; we had a sketch for the front of Village Hall for a redesign and we were going to discuss it this afternoon. He added there are some questions and he would be glad to answer any questions that they had. He stated it is \$2,000 and that basically is a tool, that will supply us with a shelf ready project; so like should Assemblyman Stirpe call asking what we have or need, we are prepared. He continued we have the plans and if we can get some numbers together, then we can go and see if we can find some money. He continued we are going to table this until the next meeting when the complete Board is here.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

CITIZENS' VOICE: The Mayor invited anyone that wished to share concerns or thoughts to address the Board. The Mayor asked if anyone would like to speak and closed Citizen's Voice.



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ATTORNEY REPORT: No Report.

ENGINEER REPORT: No Report.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Department: He stated the following:

The Mayor stated that he got a call from Assemblyman Stirpe, the Police put in an application for some Cameras. Chief Becker stated they are audio and video cameras. He continued the City of Syracuse and the Village of Solvay has them, basically they can detect gun shots, they can distinguish between gun shots and fireworks; they give both live feed and recording, so if we have high areas like our parks and so forth. He stated if we want to pull the cameras out if we have a crime that occurs in the Village. He continued for example the Core Credit Union when it was robbed, when they left there was Video footage from store fronts, that we able to track the direction with which way they went; the type of vehicle they were in, so this would give us sort of a net around the Village. He went on to say, so if something like that occurred, we could very quickly come up with more information; video footage on the incident, cars and descriptions. The Mayor continued we will discuss it at our next Board meeting so that we can open up for some dialogue and hopefully approve it. He added then once he knows that the Village has approved it, we can start the process to see if there is a monies available.

- Nov. 23 Officers/Clerks of NSPD assembled and presented dinner baskets to (2) families of 6, to assist in celebrating Thanksgiving. Donations from Walmart and the departments No Shave November program, and names came from Sister Corinne of St. Rose of Lima Food Pantry.
- Special Order 19-05 "Parade Detail" has been completed/issued for Dec. 8th Holiday Parade. All route details, traffic control points and Comm. Ctr. Detail have been covered. Support from New York State Police for use of their K-9 team has been secured to support this event.
- Dec. 21st "Shop with a Cop," Officers will take selected children on approx. \$150 shopping trip at Cicero Walmart. Funding: by Walmart, and the departments "No Shave November" program.
- So far in November: 813 Total Calls for service, 370 Property Checks, 21 Domestic, 15 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 171 Traffic Stops, 102 Traffic tickets, 14 Arrests

Fire Department: No Report.

Public Works Department: No Report.



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Parks and Recreation Department: No Report.

Codes Department: No Report.

Clerk-Treasurer: She stated the following:

- She rec'd the draft from the auditors of our financials as of 5/31/19, she is pleased to report last year's Fund Balance excluding the reserves from the Police/Fire was \$780,000; but with the closing of the current books FY 5/31/19 our Fund Balance is now at \$1,000,000. Every dept. did give back monies – basically unspent monies although the DPW is probably the biggest dept. that turned more money back into the Village. The Revenues also were higher than anticipated. She went on to say she thinks it is good that somebody is monitoring things; things are looking very good for the Village.

DEPUTY MAYOR-TRUSTEES REPORT:

Trustee St. Germain: She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Trustee Strong: No Report.

Trustee Wilmer: No Report.

Dep. Mayor Browning: She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor stated we had a complication with a deed on Church St.; that has been resolved, so now the bids can go out. He continued the plans and specs are going out for the bid hopefully in January, so we will know who the successful bidder is going to be for the Church St. /Chestnut St. project. He stated we are still seeking an Alternate now for the Zoning Board, if anyone knows of someone that may have an interest. He continued "Block Builders" we are going to put together a meeting this winter, now that he has some time do that. He shared the carpet is being installed at Village Hall, carpet squares. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, it is a holiday when many people eat too much, and need to take a walk. The Mayor stated the trash pickups are delayed (1) day on Thursday and Friday, this is also posted on the website. He continued our Holiday Parade has grown in the last couple of years. He stated it is Sunday, December 8th, starting at 5:00 PM; starting at The Gathering Place, it comes down, turns and ends with the Tree Lighting. He went on to say we have all kinds of activities

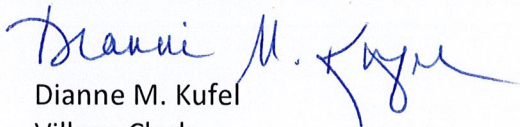


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here, both upstairs and downstairs and across at the Library. He added it is quite popular with face painting, balloons, hot coffee, cocoa, hotdogs, hamburgers and donuts; if you have not been you should drive or walk down.

Trustee St. Germain made a motion to adjourn at 4:47 PM. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

Respectfully submitted,


Dianne M. Kufel
Village Clerk

