



VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, October 10th, 2019 @ 6:30 PM
North Syracuse Community Center
700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began at 6:30 P.M. with Mayor Gary Butterfield asking everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Gary Butterfield, Dep. Mayor Browning, Trustee LouAnn St. Germain, Trustee Chris Strong, and Trustee Fred Wilmer.

Personnel Present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Dianne Kufel, CEO Brian Johnstone, DPW Superintendent Ed Ware, Fire Chief Robert Liberatore, Parks Director Teresa Roth, Police Chief William Becker, Village Attorney Scott Chatfield, and Village Engineer Amy Franco.

RESOLUTION # 187-19

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Mayor stated the Special Meeting Minutes are from the Executive Session that was held on September 12th, 2019. Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the minutes from on September 12th, 2019 Special Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 188-19

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Trustee Strong made a motion to approve the minutes from on September 26th, 2019 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 189-19

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Wilmer made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$114,136.63 covering Voucher #489 to Voucher #548. The motion was seconded by Trustee Strong. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 190-19

SEWER FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Strong made a motion to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$336.16 covering Voucher #12 and #13. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wilmer. The motion was



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approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

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DISCUSS/APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF J. PANNELL AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER

The Mayor stated the first item on the agenda is to approve Jordan Pannell as a full-time Police Officer. He continued the Board has received the email as a recommendation from Chief Rotunno, and since Chief Becker, he previously was a part-time officer and has completed all the requirements. Chief Becker stated he has been the agency for a while. He continued he has done an excellent job, and has pretty much sailed through his field officer training program, become a valuable asset to the agency and has met our full-time requirements. The Mayor continued this will bring us up to full staff.

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to appoint Jordan Pannell as the Full Time Police Officer effective October 14th, 2019 at \$43,704 per year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Strong. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting favor of the same.

OLD BUSINESS:

DISCUSS TREMP/CO/VILLAGE HALL GARAGE AREA ROOF: BLUE COLLAR ROOFING COMPANY

The Mayor stated the next item on the agenda was discussed and tabled at our last meeting. He continued since that time we have had a couple of people look at the roof and had a couple of site visits and one contractor offered to fix the leak when he was up there and did a little work on it, he stated he found a couple of holes, so we thanked him for that; he was going to send us a quote. He stated we are getting ahead of ourselves here, in order to replace that roof and the DPW roof; we need to do a planned inspection and bid it out. He spoke with the gentlemen from Blue Collar Roofing Company and stated this is a prevailing rate job, the gentlemen stated he could beat the rate, the Mayor stated you cannot; it has got to be prevailing rate and we need a spec. He stated for both projects, they are different, so we will look to our engineers when the time comes and we know that is coming in the future; maybe next year. He continued we did some repairs on the DPW roof and we authorized that last meeting that should get us a couple of years. He stated we did some repairs to the garage behind Village Hall should get us through the winter and it should stop those leaks. He continued they are both different roofs, they need different attacks, so it is not something



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that we can just do it; it has got to be designed, specification written for it, so we know what we are getting and then we will have it go out to bid. He stated it is not going to be inexpensive; so far we have gotten through two repairs and one gratis, he did not say he was going to send the bill and the other we approved last meeting. He stated just so you know we are going to need two new roofs in the near future within the next couple of years, so we have to plan for that. Dep. Mayor Browning asked how many years has it been they have lasted pretty well. The Mayor continued yes, the garage actually is a superior roof, sarnafil which is a top shelf which is at least 25 yrs. old, but it is drying out now and is reaching its useful life. He asked DPW Sup't Ware what the DPW roof is. Sup't Ware stated stone. The Mayor stated it is a conventional built up. DPW Sup't Ware continued it is not in terrible shape right now, but it is coming. He went on to say they started the repairs today, should finish them tomorrow, and if we do happen to have a leak; they will come back, check it out and repair it. The Mayor stated roofs even if warranted is typically 20 to 25 yrs., he was sure both of those roofs have reached that, even if they were warrantee, the warrantee is off.

RESOLUTION # 192-19

**ZONING BOARD APPOINTMENT-REPLACEMENT
FOR G. MITTON - ANTHONY IRICK**

The Mayor stated the item on the agenda, Gloria Mitton submitted her resignation and we had an Alternate Anthony Irick of whom we reached out to him and he has agreed he wanted to become full time, so he is filling Gloria Mitton's unexpired term. Trustee Wilmer made a motion to approve the appointment of Anthony Irick to fill G. Mitton's vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals to finish out her unexpired term. The motion was seconded by Trustee Strong. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

DISCUSS MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT: COST SHARING

The Mayor stated the next item on the agenda is Medicare Supplement Cost Sharing. Village Clerk-Treasurer Kufel stated she has looked into this and she has projected out maybe going with just a 2 yr. offering to the employees. She continued several municipalities do offer some sort of package for long term employees much longer than 2 yrs., so she probably will be proposing that around the budget time; then we can see if it is feasible. She explained actually it looks like it is about a \$5,500 charge to the Village, so she does not think that it is that astronomical, but will propose it at next budget time and ask the Board then.

RESOLUTION # 193-19

**DISCUSS/ADOPT LOCAL LAW #6 -PARKING RESTRICTIONS-
COMMERICAL VEHICLES ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS**



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The Mayor stated the Board has received a copy of the Local Law and it was discussed at the three previous meetings, Public Hearing was held on 9/26/19 and he asked for a motion to open up dialogue. Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to approve for discussion. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. Trustee Strong stated it was mentioned after last meeting about opening it up for the citizens in case there were other citizens wanted to discuss it, because of the last meeting being at 4:30 PM. The Mayor agreed to open it up for a limited time, no longer than 10 minutes. Atty. Chatfield stated because the Public Hearing is closed it should be done through a motion to extend the privilege to the floor on a specific item as opposed to our regular Citizens Voice for those wishing to speak. Trustee Wilmer made a motion to extend the privilege of the floor for this one item only to Mr. Hummer or whoever else wishes to speak. The motion was seconded by Trustee Strong. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same. Doug Hummel of 128 Herbert St. asked if anybody has to be grandfathered in on this; has anybody thought of that like somebody that has been doing it for years and now they are going to change the rules. He asked that the Board take that into consideration, there has been people doing it for a long time. The Mayor stated he just wanted to clarify this is people who want to park on the road, not pull off; parked on the road. He continued that is the reason for it, we had an instance of someone that was parking on the road, and there are pictures available if anyone wants to see those pictures of them, the Board has seen them. He stated we have 20 ft. streets and when we have a trailer that is about 8 ft. and then the mirrors and they park it on the road, it is very limiting especially for emergency vehicles. Jacklyn Keyes of 311 Chestnut St. asked why all of the sudden the change, it has been this way for how long; and we had the freedom to park our vehicles within our perimeters. The Mayor stated that is not their perimeter, and clarified this is not on the side of the road, but on the road. Ms. Keyes asked to see those pictures and clarified the issue was over night, she understood that, but still feels like it is restricting. The Mayor asked if anyone else wished to speak, with no response he closed the privileged time. Trustee Strong clarified if this is approved it will be 365/24/7; this is not just an overnight ban. Atty. Chatfield stated correct, unless he is hired to mow your lawn, then he can drive his trailer and park it in the road, mow your lawn, and then pick up his equipment and leave with no problem. Trustee Strong spoke of doing these types jobs before and after work pulling up in front of his mothers and parking in front her house whether he is there a 1 hr. to 1 1/2 hrs. and are not actually taking part in any of those activities that are laid out. Atty. Chatfield continued that would technically be in violation, but realistically unless the CEO spends 24/7 days a wk. driving around town, this is not going to be like a police officer driving by and observing a crime; it is going to occur as a result of a complaint that comes in. He went on it is presumably going to mean somebody is doing it all the time or routinely causing a traffic issue in terms of the ability to get around him; it has been really a problem in cul-da-sacs, but some of the streets are sufficiently narrow, so that it creates a traffic issue. Trustee Strong spoke of consistently going on the Village Website to answer the poll questions and does not remember this being on there. He stated a Poll Question which is normally what we do when



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someone comes in with a concern or they go to the Public Safety Committee. He continued he knows of maybe 2 specific problems areas within the Village that CEO Johnstone has dealt with, but not Village wide. He stated he is having a problem wrapping it around his head, if passed it is Village wide, but he is not sure that it is a Village wide issue. Atty. Chatfield stated that it is something that has been thought about, the problem is if you are going to make it applicable, unless you have some reason to differentiate certain streets from other streets, and then you would create a list of the streets on which it is a particular problem and segregate those it is not; he is not aware of any boulevard type streets. He went on if there is, he is not aware of them where the width of the pavement is such that you could accommodate two-way traffic plus theoretically 2 other vehicles parked on the black top opposite each other and still allow the traffic to pass, so how do you distinguish that. Trustee Wilmer made a motion to modify the motion to add the SEQR determination of this being a Type II Action for Environmental Review purposes. Trustee Strong stated he is certainly in favor of this for overnight parking, in being more restrictive to these vehicles 365 following the overnight hours, not during the day for reasons we discussed earlier. He continued whether it is a fielded complaint or Codes gets multiple complaints in their dept., there is just so much commerce in a small little Village much like this where you would have ma & pa businesses, where they are doing plowing; if friends come over to see friends and they are working on a project or they are talking. He stated overnight he is 100% for this, but does not think it needs to be 365 and that could be an amendment. He continued this is just a suggestion to follow the same codes we have in the Village for overnight parking during the winter months, so his recommendation would be to amend this suggested local law to overnight hours 365, so you are now restricting the commercial vehicles on the overnight hours which is where it is significantly a higher hazard, the hazard is raised higher in the dark. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Dep. Mayor Browning, and Mayor Butterfield, all voting in favor of the same. Trustee Strong and Trustee Wilmer voted opposed.

RESOLUTION # 194-19

**DISCUSS/APPROVE STREET PAVING PRIORITY LISTING
FOR CHIPS FUNDING**

The Mayor stated the next item on the agenda is to approve Street Paving Priority List for CHIPS funding, again the motion was brought forth at the last meeting and because we only had 3 members and 1 member abstained, it did not pass. Trustee Wilmer made a motion approve the Street Paving Priority List for Chips Funding. The motion was seconded by Dep. Mayor Browning. Trustee Wilmer asked that the paving be done on the driveway aprons, so that we do not get that lip like was done last year on a lot of the driveways. He stated knows it is going to cost a little bit more for the Village for the asphalt, but he thinks it will be a lot better job if done that way. DPW Sup't Ware asked how



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do we determine which driveways need it, how much, how far, if the driveway is pitching back how far in do we go in. Trustee Wilmer continued he thinks that is going to be an on-site call, so somebody from the Village would have to be there to make that call. He spoke of them discussing his house and if somebody had come in maybe 6 inches farther, that probably would have been a lot better and there are probably 17 driveways up Belmore Dr. DPW Sup't Ware stated there are a lot more than that, if you look over where Clay did Josephine, we did pretty much the same way that Clay did theirs. Trustee Wilmer added he is just asking and it would make a lot better job he thinks for very little cost. The Mayor stated he knows when the pavers come in to do the streets; he does not believe that they are prepared to. Trustee Wilmer stated they sure are, when they open the gate. The Mayor stated he understands the process, but they did not bid it that way. Trustee Wilmer clarified we are paying for the materials. Mayor Butterfield stated yes we are. Trustee Wilmer continued the only difference is the material cost on our side will go a little bit higher. The Mayor continued labor too. Trustee Wilmer stated a little bit, but they are going to roll them out and roll them out anyways. DPW Sup't Ware stated there were 3 signatures on the requisition and asked if one of them was Trustee Wilmer's. Trustee Wilmer continued he believes so. Trustee Strong stated he was the abstention for those that were not here at the last meeting, because we were missing 2 members and he knew Trustee Wilmer had specific questions, so he wanted to allow him that opportunity. He continued since then he knows that there has been additional surveying, some folks he heard walked the area; his specific question is to Gertrude. He continued the documents he received by the Board did not mention anything about a milling, but DPW Sup't Ware and he discussed that at the last meeting, so he thanked him for that, but all it stated was paving and square; it did not mention milling, so that was different than what he had received, so thank you for filling me in last week. He stated he just did not know if a final decision had been made on that milling and he knew the Mayor had brought up concerns about the sidewalk, so he asked if we had an update; he is ready to vote yes, but looking for an update. DPW Sup't Ware continued they mill each transition when they come up to another road they mill the ends and when there is a sidewalk next to it, that is being milled; that is included in the price. He went on to say that is traditionally how they write it, they do not say milling at each intersection or sidewalk in the price, that is all included in there. Trustee Strong stated that one was specifically different two weeks ago when we discussed Gertrude. He clarified so there are no concerns that there will be any flooding of the driveways or pooling of water on none of those sidewalks on Gertrude; we are all comfortable with that. DPW Sup't Ware stated he does not believe there is anything there and he has been down Chestnut St. and they are digging into 6 ft. to 8 ft. of sand; it might sit there for 12 to 18 hrs. before it clears up. Trustee Strong stated he is good, he just knows 12 to 16 hrs. and the amount of sand is great, but that still is 16 hrs. the residents, not so much in the summer time, but if they have contracted plow jockeys or someone that is coming through in and out of their driveways that is more that they are dealing with and creating additional issues, so it is certainly something to think about. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.



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**NORTH SYR. BEAUTIFICATION: CHAIR PERSON/
ASSISTANCE IN PROPERTIES**

The Mayor stated the next item is the North Syracuse Beautification Committee and stated we have a list of 7 to 8 individuals that are interested in the concept. He continued is presently looking for someone to head that up. He stated he has an idea, but it is something that is not going to happen tomorrow, but something over the winter, so in the spring we can put maybe some effort into this. He stated he knows the person who headed up the Fulton one and maybe he can get her to come down and speak to the Committee; he is excited about the prospects. He stated there is no action tonight; this is just to let you know.

**DISCUSS VILLAGE HALL BUILDING FRONT/
FACADE: ARCHITECTURAL SKETCH**

The Mayor stated the next item on the agenda is the Façade on Village Hall. He continued at present we have some deterioration of the Soffit and Fascia and some of the wood behind it is starting to rot. He spoke of having an architect friend doing a sketch for him, he did not know if it got to you; it is just a first idea, it would brighten up Village Hall. He stated we are not going anywhere; we have done enough renovations and there was discussion in the Staff Meeting about improved Handi-capped access which would be a part of, if we do this. He continued which he would like to see us do; get a little better at Handi-cap accessibility into our building, right now our accessible parking is a ways away from our door. He summed up it was the first stroke to come up with a sketch to see what we can come up with; he asked for any thoughts. Trustee Strong stated it was a step in the right direction and we could use an upgrade there.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION # 195-19

**DISCUSS/APPROVE 2020 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:
NOTE CHANGES FOR THANKSGIVING/CHRISTMAS**

The Mayor stated the next item is the Board Meeting Schedule for 2020. He continued there are some changes for Thanksgiving, and Christmas, everything is the same, the Annual Meeting is being combined with the first meeting in July. He stated the Thanksgiving Meeting will be held on a Tuesday, and Christmas week also on a Tuesday at Village Hall in our Conference Room; hopefully it will be completely finished by then. Trustee Wilmer made a motion to approve the 2020 Board Meeting Schedule with noted changes for Thanksgiving and Christmas. The motion was seconded by Trustee Strong. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same. (See Attachment – All Bd. Mtg. Dates.)



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OCWA UPDATE ON CHESTNUT STREET/CHURCH STREET

The Mayor stated item on the agenda is the update from OCWA and our Chestnut St. /Church St. progress. He continued we finally got approval the last little section passed the water quality test, so they can tie in all the water services. He stated they should be patching, he knows they re-poured some sidewalks down near Grove St.; OCWA have to put the road back the way it was before they showed up. He continued now that is still in bad shape, but that is what their obligation is. He shared that we ran into a glitch with property lines and we are working our way through that, so we can get this thing out to bid. He stated Chestnut St. tomorrow and Monday should be in front of his house. He continued he had a conversation with the owner of the company that is doing the work and they stated if they cannot finish they will button it up, but he thinks that they are going to finish, they are going to come up to Rt. 11. He continued they stated they will be right behind, they already started to get a test on the water quality from Clay line up to a certain point, once they get that, they are going to start tying the surfaces in. He stated he thinks that they might be done if the weather cooperates, and they cooperate and do what they say they are going to do. He continued when they are done with the mess on Chestnut St., same thing they have to put it back to the way it was. He stated he had asked DPW Sup't Ware to do some patch work on Church St., the pot holes that were already there, it is still bumpy and rough. He spoke of getting complaints about how bad the road is, but he has tried to explain that come spring, by this time next year, we will all be boy these roads are nice and the new sidewalks. He stated also there are a few pot holes on Chestnut St. by doing it now we get hot mix not cold patch. Trustee Wilmer asked if we had any plans for that yet. The Mayor stated we are chasing and chasing, maybe Mrs. Franco can give us update on it. Mrs. Franco stated she did not have any update on that. Mrs. Franco continued once you get the property line and Atty. Chatfield can touch base more on that, because it is a legal thing. The Mayor stated he made a phone call and the guy that owns two street properties right on the corner. He continued he got his phone number and called him, because there is no record his property line extends out into Church St., so according to the current information; he owns Church St. and the sidewalk, a portion of it. He stated he called the resident who stated we gave a Right-of-way when this project was done. The Mayor explained it was never filed or recorded, so the resident stated to bring it over and he will sign it again. The Mayor continued Atty. Chatfield knows the attorney that was working for the Village at the time and has been reaching out to him, so maybe they have it in their records. Atty. Chatfield stated he is hoping he can get in touch with Jan tomorrow; they may have even called today, he was not in the office today. The Mayor stated that is the progress report, he knows everyone is frustrated around here, Taft Rd. was supposed to have been paved by now and that is now postponed until the 10th and it seems like everywhere we turn. Atty. Chatfield continued there is a lot of paving being done and the asphalt companies are booked and working overtime.



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CITIZENS' VOICE: The Mayor invited anyone that wished to share concerns or thoughts to address the Board.

Doug Hummel of 128 Herbert St. stated on Church St. where they have cut into residents' driveways, are they going to repair those driveways. The Mayor stated they should be paving and if they cut it they should skirt it up. Mrs. Franco stated they should be repaired. DPW Sup't Ware stated it should be back to the existing, so if it was stone they would be putting stone, if it was paved then they should be paving it. The Mayor added what was there is what is being replaced.

Jacklyn Keyes of 311 Chestnut St. spoke of concern over signage visibility and recommended a bigger sign in the Village by the Community Center. The Mayor asked if anyone else would like to speak and closed Citizen's Voice.

ATTORNEY REPORT: He stated he was going to talk about the deeds, but that has been accomplished. He continued there are 2 little properties adjacent to it that we have to get like 7' strip parallel to the sidewalk, but he does not think that it will be a major issue, so he hopes to have it next week.

ENGINEER REPORT: She stated then our plans will be ready to go, that is the one thing that DOT had for a comment. The Mayor stated the plans are basically done; they have been in the hands of DOT for quite a while. Mrs. Franco stated then they came back with that comment. Atty. Chatfield stated he is assuming that is what they did in terms of the plans that are drawn would coincide with deeds or easements that we need to acquire. The Mayor agreed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Department: He stated the following:

- New contractor, Jay Fasen of Joseph Allen Property Mtc.; starting in 1 wk. to continue basement renovations, should complete in 3 wks.
- NSPD has been working on the holiday events through end of year; Oct. 31st, expanded patrol and will be handing out glow sticks to children for better visibility and to increase safety.
- Officer Lily Hohmann is half way through Field Training, doing very well, upon successful completion will meet requirements for Phase II of Police Academy Training.
- So far in September: 324 Total Calls for service, 149 Property Checks, 01 Domestic, 05 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 60 Traffic Stops, 36 Traffic tickets, 05 Arrests

Fire Department: Fire Chief Liberatore stated the following:



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- Fire Safety Day was this past Saturday, low attendance this year; thinks due to weather
- He thanked the Police Chief and DPW for the assistance they gave with that
- They are looking at putting a box out and asking Village entities to put something out at Safety Day to promote their stuff to get people into the Firehouse as well as Fire Safety on the 1st Saturday in October every year

Public Works Department: He stated the following:

- We finished Bulk Trash for 2019
- We are gearing up for the leaf season
- Preparing vehicles for inspection in October for our fleet
- They are identifying drainage issues; some of the metal pipe is starting to fail on Pleasant Ave, Melrose Dr. and Lawrence Ave.
- Issue with those that run in one direction Gateway Park Dr., has solution by has to check with NYS DEC to make sure they can go in there
- The Mayor stated it is a 40" pipe; this is a good thing, because it is under Chestnut St. and when they were doing their work with the water main, they notified DPW Sup't Ware that this 40" line is starting to deteriorate, so before the paving project, this is something we got to do and replace that. DPW Sup't Ware stated he took a couple of pictures when he was out there and the crew that was out there sent him pictures, so he can forward that to the Board so they know what is coming up and the condition the pipe is in. The Mayor stated it was a good catch with the storm drain, the water always seems to be running.

Parks and Recreation Department: She stated the following:

- Usually we have a Village Halloween Party, but this year we are partnering with The Gathering Place to do the Trunk or Treat Event held October 31st from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM you do not have to call and register, but it is open to anyone outside the Village where kids can safely
- trick or treat in a number of cars decorated, last year there were about 28 stations, expects a bit more this year and free refreshments with prizes and goodies; you just show up
- Taste of North Syracuse is still going on, started last Saturday and ends this Sunday
 - She is looking for feedback from the businesses and patrons
 - A lot of businesses are offering some kind of special or deal this week, goes through Sunday, so if they have that flyer in the window feel free to ask and check them out
 - We do have list of specials at the office, if you stop and want to get a copy
 - On Facebook, we do have a Facebook Event Page for it with the list of businesses
 - participating and what their special is



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- Update on SAM Grant for the Heritage Pk. \$125,000
 - Put Dog Pk. in at Heritage Pk.
 - Redoing parking lot there off Chestnut St
 - Add paving in the parking area over on Lee Terrace side as well as playground equipment, been in contact with OCWA for water hook up and stake that out, they are going to help us connect water on that side of the park
 - Been in contact with fence company to look at ordering dog fencing material; not sure how much will get done this fall, majority will be in the spring
- Cornell Cooperative Grp. - Katherine Corva
 - Here twice with volunteers trimming some of the trees in the Village mainly on Chestnut St. and Rt. 11 and in the Center in the summer
 - She helped obtain grant for free trees and provided the labor and was here Wednesday and planted 5 trees near the Comm. Ctr., 1 at Kennedy Pk.; appreciates their help
- Online Registration coming 1st time ever for the Village; received Budget approval to go with the Parks Software Company, this week we had Webinar Training Online in Parks Dept., it is up and we are designing it
 - January 1st hoping to launch for public
 - Any Village resident can create a profile page one time and then forever if they want to sign up for any programs Summer Camp, Zumba, or whatever they can do it Online, can do payments Online, because we are adding credit card payments for the 1st, requests to rent Comm. Ctr. as well.

Codes Department: No Report.

Clerk-Treasurer: She stated the following:

- She tried to get Taste of North Syracuse on Spectrum and some of the TV stations too, she thinks will help through the weekend
- She talked with Syracuse Haulers yesterday and wants to get the Board involved in this, it looks like there will be more to come. She continued it looks like OCRRA is going to be increasing their fees for Commercial properties for recyclables. She stated the women she spoke with stated there are like OCRRA Cops, following them to see how many Commercials there are, so the Recyclables are going to be more. She stated as you know we have a little bit with the Automatic Trash, some of our Commercial properties are being picked up that, again that is one of our bigger Budget items, just so you know.



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- She put a new Poll Question up about the North Syracuse Block Builders if people are interested in to call Village Hall, so we get some feedback on that.
- She wanted to talk about the Fiscal Stress Score that we get and the Mayor wanted her to expound a little on this. The Mayor stated so everybody knows, every Village in the state, there is criteria for support, so we are measured every year. Village Clerk-Treasurer Kufel stated the two criteria's, one is called Financial Indicators or Fiscal Stress and what makes that component up is our year end Fund Balance, our Operating Deficits, Surpluses, our Cash position, our use of Short Term Cash and Debt Issuance and Fixed Costs. She continued in order to get a No designation or "O" which is the best to 44.9, so that is still fairly good, but we actually measure like 3.3, so we are doing extremely well; that was 2018. She stated in 2017 we were 12.9, 2016 19.2, we probably had the Street Scapes going on in the stuff and 2015 15.8, so that was one element of it. She stated the other is the Environmental Indicators which could be Environmental Stress which some of that we really do not have a lot of control over which is change in population, households with public assistance, percent of a population under 18 and over 65, median household income, unemployment rate and reliance on state and federal aid. She continued now the best for that also is "O", but no designation is 0 to 29.9, we measured 16.7 in 2018, 13.3 in 2017, 15.0 in 2016, and 15.0 in 2015, so some of that we really do not have a lot of control over. She stated in any event we are doing very; very well, we are like one of the top three Villages and Towns.

DEPUTY MAYOR-TRUSTEES REPORT:

Trustee St. Germain: No Report.

Trustee Strong: No Report:

Trustee Wilmer: He thanked John Kelburg from Blue Collar Roofing for coming out and looking at the roof for us.

Dep. Mayor Browning: No Report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor stated our Fire Dept. has to have Budgets in to the Towns, because they are on a calendar year; we are on a fiscal year. He continued but the Preliminary Budget looked good, very marginal increase, keeping in check with the 2 % Tax Cap. He stated when we get into our budget process we



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will be able to look at a more detailed report. He continued a Taste of North Syracuse, this is our 1st year. He stated he heard a couple of people went in to some of the vendors that are part of it and the person they encountered was not aware what the special was, so it is in process. He continued he thinks it is a good thing and hopefully we get some good feedback and next year will be better. He spoke of the upcoming meeting with only the Mayors and Supervisors; we are actually going to meet at the DOT building – Taft Rd./South Bay Rd. He stated he does not know how many counties do this, but he thinks this is a good thing; the Mayors and Supervisors meet four times year to discuss all the issues. He continued we are also starting a process of Consensus again, round 2 that we have to do, so we have a kick off meeting. He stated the last item he has, he thinks our Website and we have an intern, but our Website he had one comment that maybe it could be more user friendly. He continued he had another comment that Trustees Steere and Trustee Henry are still on there, so you need to get your Bio in. He stated then our intern is really good with that kind of stuff so maybe she can help us, it is a work in progress. He continued he wanted it the Bios updated and maybe that would help with the noting of Public Hearings. Trustee Strong stated you could hyper link those to Twitter, Instagram and Facebook, that way you can get it out to more social flats. The Mayor added to all that stuff.

The Mayor stated he would like to entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issued. He continued we will not be making any decisions when we come back out.

Dep. Mayor Browning made a motion to enter into **Executive Session** 7:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee Strong. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning all voting in favor of the same.

Trustee St. Germain made a motion to return to **Regular Session** at 8:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wilmer. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning all voting in favor of the same.

Trustee St. Germain made a motion to adjourn at 8:31 PM. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wilmer. The motion was approved with Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Strong, Trustee Wilmer, and Dep. Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne M. Kufel
Village Clerk



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The 2020 Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 9TH , 2020 at 6:30pm (combined with Board Meeting)

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month (unless otherwise noted) at the North Syracuse Community Center, 700 South Bay Road, Upstairs.

Thursday	January 9 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	January 23 RD	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	February 13 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	February 27 th	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	March 12 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	March 26 th	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	April 9 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	April 23 rd	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	May 14 th	@6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	May 28 th	@4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	June 11 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	June 25 th	@4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	July 9 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs (Annual Meeting and Board Meeting Combined)
Thursday	July 23 rd	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	August 13 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	August 27 th	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	September 10 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs



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Thursday	September 24 th	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	October 8 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	October 22 nd	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	November 12 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Tuesday	November 24 th	@ 4:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Thursday	December 10 th	@ 6:30pm Community Center – Upstairs
Tuesday	December 22 nd	@ 4:30pm Village Hall – Conference Room