

April 7th, 2021: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 at 7:00pm conducted in person.

Present: Melissa Flint-Morgan, Mayor
Erin Goodfellow, Deputy Mayor
Daniel Poellot, Trustee (7:15)
Kathryn Vernay, Trustee
Ruth Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas Chartrand, Accountant
Courtney Hills, Counsel
Ralph Lamson, Codes
Harold Kiehl, DPW Superintendent

Absent: Ken Teter, Engineer
Roxanne Oliver, Trustee

Visitors: Frank Speziale

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order

Mayor Flint-Morgan led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. Mayor Flint-Morgan opened the public hearing for the 2021 – 2022 budget at 7:02pm. Motion was made by Trustee Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Vernay to approve the minutes for the March 3rd, 2021 meeting. Ayes carried. Upon motion by Mayor Flint-Morgan, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to accept the treasurer's report, subject to audit. Upon motion by Mayor Flint-Morgan, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to approve the following transfers. Ayes carried.

Transfer of Appropriations

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GENERAL FUND

From: A1620.4	Buildings	Contractual	300.00
A1990.4	Contingent	Contractual	4,200.00
		TOTAL	4,500.00

To: A1620.4.2	Buildings	Contractual Utilities	300.00
A3310.2	Traffic Control Signs	Equipment	700.00
A5130.1	Machinery	Personal Services	2,000.00
A5142.1	Snow Removal	Personal Services	1,500.00
		TOTAL	4,500.00

Public Comment

No public comment

Upon motion by Mayor Flint-Morgan 2nd by Trustee Goodfellow it was unanimous to close the public hearing on the 2021 – 2022 budget at 7:13pm.

Upon motion by Mayor Flint-Morgan 2nd by Trustee Goodfellow it was unanimous to adopt the preliminary budget as is for 2021 – 2022.

The Fire Department would like to lease 2.41 acres of the Banner Farm for training. They would like to lease it for 100 years for one dollar. The clerk will forward the Banner Farm Agreement with the Potter Farm to the Mayor and Counsel. The item will be added to May's agenda.

DPW

Dump day: The Town has made May 8th “dump day” this year. Contact the Town clerk or Town Highway Department for rules and regulations.

Sweeper: The sweeper's brakes have failed and the crew is working on fixing it.

Park: First base has come up missing. A replacement was obtained from the school. Ryan Dando and DPW Superintendent Harold Kiehl will look into dirt for the infield.

COUNSEL:

No report

CODES:

Codes has sent a letter to the Town to condemn the structures on the Banner Farm so that demolition may begin.

Engineer:

attached is the update from Ken Teter, Engineer

WWTP: Air Main Replacement Project

We have conducted the Pre-Construction meeting, reviewed and approved all the submittals and the contractor has partially mobilized by having pipe delivered to the site. Unfortunately, some of the specialty couplings have not yet been delivered to allow the work to actually begin. We are close based on the contractor's last update in that he expects the remaining items to be delivered later this week and he hopes to start next week. Fingers crossed!

Stream Cleaning Project

I followed up with DEC the other day since we have yet to receive the permit. We're not sure what the delay is but hope to have it shortly.

WWTP Controller Upgrade Project

The majority of the design work is now complete and being finalized. Once I have the remaining items from my subconsultant Kevin I will assemble the documents for public bidding. We'll do our best to see if we can get bids back in advance of your next meeting..... not sure that will happen.

Banner House Demolition

We expect that the Town (via Ralph) will officially condemn the structure at next week's meeting so we can move forward with the project. The bid package is formatted to also include the demolition of the two nearby silos. Except for minor changes, the bid documents are nearly completed and ready for bidding.

NEW BUSINESS:

Main Street Grant: Work continues on the Main Street Grant. Benches and dog poop stations are being ordered now and new flower boxes will be next on the list.

Clean Energy Communities: Trustee Vernay will schedule a presentation from Clean Energy, next month.

Public Comment

Trustee Poellot mentioned the swimming pool fence is down on Grove Street again. He asked Codes to send a letter to the homeowner. Trustee Poellot brought up that a white station wagon has been parked repeatedly in a "no parking zone" on Clinton Street. Sheriffs and Troopers will be notified.

Audit Bills

Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Mayor Flint-Morgan, it was unanimous to review and authorize the accountant to pay the bills, subject to audit.

Upon motion of Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to adjourn at 7:57pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk, Village Clerk