

January 5th, 2022: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, January 5th, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Municipal Building.

Present: Erin C. Goodfellow, Mayor
Benjamin Bibik, Deputy Mayor
Daniel Poellot, Trustee
Roxanne Oliver, Trustee
Kathryn Vernay, Trustee
Courtney Hills, Counsel
Ruth Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas Chartrand, Accountant
Harold Kiehl, DPW
Ralph Lamson, Codes
Ken Teter, Engineer

Absent: none

Visitors: Frank Speziale
Charles Bibik
Eric Galvin
Richard Patterson
Nate Secord

Oath of office was administered by the clerk to newly elected and appointed officials

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order

Mayor Erin Goodfellow led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to approve annual resolutions #1 – 24 for 2022. A copy of the resolutions will be available at the Village office if you wish to review them.

Motion was made by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Vernay to approve the minutes from the December 1st, 2021 meeting. Ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to accept the treasurer's report, subject to audit.

Upon motion by Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Bibik it was unanimous to accept the following transfers, subject to audit.

Transfer of Appropriations

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GENERAL FUND

From: A1990.4	Contingent	Contractual	5,000.00
A5142.1	Snow Removal	Personal Services	1,000.00
		TOTAL	6,000.00

To:	A1490.1	Administration	Personal Services	5,000.00
	A7110.1	Parks	Personal Services	1,000.00
			TOTAL	6,000.00

Public Comment

Frank Speziale mentioned that the Fire Department would burn down the barn at the Banner Farm on February 19th, 2022, depending on wind conditions. The Fire Dept. requested that DPW backhoe the area after the burn.

DPW:

DOH yearly inspection: DOH declared the Village in good shape. They would like us to look into shielding the tank ladder better.

Creek Cleaning: DPW will look into what that entails. Trustee Vernay and DPW discussed the possibility of plantings on the sides of the creek. DPW will look to the engineer for guidance on the project.

Wood chipper purchase: Quotes have not come into the DPW yet.

Potter Lease: Counsel will resend the lease and we will get it taken care of.
All ayes carried.

CODES:

No Report

COUNSEL:

No Report

New Business:

Two Trustees (Poellot & Vernay) are up for election in November of 2022.

Upon motion by Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to authorize the Mayor to fill out and sign the Community Development 5 year Plan.

The Village received Rapid test kits and KN95 masks. The small number of Rapid test kits were distributed to village employees, including staff and crossing guards. The county is sending more to the village and town. The masks are being distributed to businesses and other establishments. If you need a mask the village office still has some available. Please feel free to stop by the village office during normal hours 8am – 11:30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday or contact Kathy Vernay at kvernay@villageoftully.org

Upon motion by Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Bibik it was unanimous to authorize the Mayor to sign the Main Street Grant Extension.

EV Station: The village has a \$5,000.00 grant to use toward green energy solutions. Various opinions were stated on where a EV Station might be placed. It was also discussed that the grant might been better spent on tree plantings at the WWTP, replanting the area at Cummings Park, better insulation in the attic at the Municipal building, more LED lighting and the possibility of solar panels at the Municipal building or the WWTP. Trustee Vernay is in the process of arranging estimates and consultations on the above possibilities. The Village of Tully is being spotlighted in the NYSEDA newsletter for its clean energy progress.

ENGINEER:

Water system mapping: Engineer will send a copy of “as built” to the clerk’s office for filing.

WWTP controller project: Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Bibik it was unanimous to approve change order #2 which deals with override and alarm system and other issues regarding the controller. It would also extend the time frame on the final payment.

Amount of the change order #2 is \$6,075.76 and the final payment would be May 1st, 2022. All ayes carried.

FEMA: Ken is finalizing the paperwork for the flood event which occurred at the WWTP.

Community Drive Storm Drainage Status: Ken will work up figures for possible adding this to the budget estimated cost would be \$150,000.00 - \$200,000.00.

Engineer will also consult with DPW on the creek cleaning project.

Mayor Goodfellow appointed Trustee Bibik as Deputy Mayor. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Vernay, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to authorize Mayor Goodfellow, Deputy Mayor Bibik and clerk Van Buskirk to sign items for the Village with NBT Bank. All yes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to authorize access to the NYCLASS accounts to Mayor Goodfellow, Deputy Mayor Bibik and Clerk Van Buskirk.

All ayes carried.

Public Comment

Trustees Bibik and Poellot will work on an upgrade for the Zimbra email so that emails are accessible from their cell phones.

Audit Bills

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

Upon motion of Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to adjourn at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk

Clerk/Treasurer