

December 7th, 2022: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, December 7th, 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
Ruth Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas Chartrand, Accountant
Courtney Hills, Counsel (by phone)
Harold Kiehl, DPW Superintendent
Ralph Lamson, Codes

Absent: Ken Teter, Engineer

Visitors: Frank Speziale
Kyle Polisse
Mike Hoke, Laborer
Ken Scherrieble, Camden Group

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order

Mayor Goodfellow led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Motion was made by Trustee Vernay, 2nd by Trustee Oliver to approve the minutes from the November 2nd, 2022, meeting. Ayes carried.

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

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to approve the following transfers.

GENERAL FUND

From: A1900.4	Contingent	Contractual	4,152.00
		TOTAL	4,152.00
To: A4289.4	Drug Testing	Contractual	300.00
A9010.8	Employee Benefits	State Retirement	3,852.00
		TOTAL	4,152.00

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to have the clerk notify the paper that the organizational meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Wednesday, January 4th, 2023 at 5833 Meetinghouse Road. The Board will also discuss any other village business brought before the board at that time.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to approve the employee handbook with the corrections made by the board.

Mayor Goodfellow signed the Banner/Fire Department Agreement and it will be notarized this evening.

Public Comment

No comment

DPW

Kyle Polisse, spoke to the Village board regarding woodlot management at the Banner Farm. DPW Supervisor will speak with the Potters about the project and the clerk will send a copy of the agreement with Polisse Forest Management Services to the Attorney for review.

DPW Supervisor, Harold Kiehl, notified the Board that after more than 40 years he would be retiring on January 27th, 2023. As per the employee handbook the maximum amount of used vacation allowed to be carried over is 240 hours. Due to extenuating circumstances the Village has asked the Supervisor to work up to the January 27th date and would allow due to extenuating issues to be paid up to an additional 160 hours. This was a motion that made by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Mayor Goodfellow and passed unanimously.

Engineer:

WWTP controller upgrade project:

The final on-site testing and assessment of the sludge meter issue has been completed and the contractor is now pursuing having the meter itself fully replaced by the manufacturer. The exact timing on this is undetermined.

Melinda Lane curbing/WWTP lagoon asphalt repair:

This project is fully completed and I will request that the contractor now submit his final Pay apps for the remaining 5% of each contract amount.

Creek cleaning permit application:

Harold is still attempting to have the Town assist us in gathering the required topographic survey information we need to include in the submittal. If the Board wants to move forward on this, I can contact my local surveyor to provide a price for completing this same work to be sure it is completed prior to the winter weather.

Route 11A Town Water District:

I have not received any further information about the project and the final numbers as to their anticipated usage.

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Bibik, it was unanimous to apply for the funds from Onondaga County as per the Main Street Grant pending a letter from the owner of 1 Clinton Street stating that the work is completed and meets her satisfaction. The Village will then release all but 5% on receipt of the letter from Amy Kida. All ayes carried.

Camden Corp:

Upon motion by Trustee Vernay, 2nd by Trustee Bibik it was unanimous to accept the agreement with Ken Scherrieble, Camden Corp, subject to corrections and review by counsel. The start date would be December 12, 2022. The Mayor was given authorization by the Board to sign said agreement. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Mayor Goodfellow it was unanimous to appoint Jeffrey Rothery to the position of Fire Commissioner. All ayes carried.

Climate Smart Task Force:

Clear Path North and South are going on line within the next week.

Theresa Link completed the tree planting by the creek.

The Level 2 energy audit by Cadmus has been completed. Copies of the report are in the Village office and may be view during normal business hours.

Upon motion by Trustee Vernay, 2nd by Mayor Goodfellow it was unanimous to hire Scott Haynes as a laborer in hopes that he will complete coursework for wastewater treatment and water distribution in a timely fashion.

Scott has a B.S. in Science and years of experience installing sewer and water lines. Scott starting salary is \$52,000.00/yr. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to list in the post standard, village website and various other outlets that the Village is looking for a DPW Supervisor. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to authorize the clerk to post in the local paper and on the Village website that the annual organizational meeting will be held January 4th, 2023, and that any other Village business brought before the board will be discussed at that time. All ayes carried.

New hire will complete and pass all drug/alcohol testing before he operates any equipment.

Public Comment

Audit Bills

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

Upon motion of Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to adjourn at 8:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer