

December 6th, 2023: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, December 6th, 2023, at 7:00pm in the Municipal Building.

Present: Erin C. Goodfellow, Mayor
Benjamin Bibik, Deputy Mayor
Daniel Ray, Trustee
Roxanne Oliver, Trustee
Kathryn Vernay, Trustee
Ruth Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas Chartrand, Accountant
Kevin Kwiatkowski, WWTP Operator
Ralph Lamson, Codes

Absent: Courtney Hills, Attorney
Ken Teter, Engineer

Visitors: Frank Speziale
Mary Thompson
Yekta Hezer
Timur Avel

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 Bibik, 2nd by Trustee Vernay to approve the minutes from the November 8th, 2023 meeting. Ayes carried.

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

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to approve the following transfers subject to audit. All ayes carried.

Transfer of Appropriations

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GENERAL FUND

From: A1990.4	contingent	contractual	6,675.00
A1490.1	administration	personal services	5,000.00
		TOTAL	11,675.00

To: A5110.1	street maintenance	personal services	5,000.00
A9010.8	employee benefits	state retirement	6,675.00
		TOTAL	11,675.00

SEWER FUND

From: G8130.1	w.w. treatment	personal services	2,000.00
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			TOTAL	2,000.00
To:	G8120.1	sanitary sewers	personal services	2,000.00
			TOTAL	2,000.00

Public Comment

Mary Thompson came to introduce two new residents to the Village. The Board welcomed Yekta Hezer and Timur Avel to the community.

DPW

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Bibik it was unanimous to authorize the engineer, Ken Teter to develop specs for a generator for the pump house. All ayes carried. Kevin is conducting research on changing the charges for water haulers and private sewage disposal. DPW is requesting an energy audit be done at no cost. DPW is also looking into summer help with mowing and taking weekend readings.

Ken Teter is working on the lift station at Circle K. The Village has about 30 underground valves. Kevin has tested 8 and 5 need replacing. Possibly cost for this is \$68,000.00.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Mayor Goodfellow it was unanimous to authorize the engineer to work up a proposal for repair and replacement of valves. All ayes carried.

DPW is requesting an increase in the Village’s share of the health insurance and is looking for overtime payment for weekend coverage.

Trustee Oliver will look into health insurance changes.

Upon motion by Trustee Ray, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to authorize the Mayor to sign the Holbrook Heating contract and disclaimer subject to review by Counsel. All ayes carried.

Benches for the Village have been ordered and will be shipped by December 29th. Clerk will send invoices for benches and welcome signs to county for Main Street Grant reimbursement.

Trustee Ray was given authorization to order radar signs thru Source Well.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Trustee Oliver it was unanimous to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Honeywell. Honeywell is “gifting” the Village a portion of land.

Agreement is subject to approval from Counsel. All ayes carried.

Counsel:

No report.

Codes:

The wooden railing at the shopping center has been removed. The owners will be approached about high school students making a mural on the side of the building.

Paperwork has been sent to 5 Warren Street for replacement/repair of stairway.

Engineer:

No report

Climate Smart Task Force:

no report

Old & New Business:

Upon motion by Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to authorize Trustee Bibik to look at “go daddy” for email and website services for up to \$1000.00. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to authorize Trustee Ray to go with North Solutions for email and website services for \$2,325.00 if “go daddy” does not work out. All ayes carried.

Trustee Ray will post on the website the request for a new ZBA member.

Flowers have been ordered for the Spring flower hanging baskets.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Mayor Goodfellow on January 3rd, 2024 at 6:30 pm the Village will hold the organizational meeting at Meetinghouse Road. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Oliver, 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to authorize the accountant to pay the bills subject to audit. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Bibik, 2nd by Mayor Goodfellow it was unanimous to proceed to Executive Session which will include the accountant, the codes officer and the full board. The executive session relative to “the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 8:25pm. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Mayor Goodfellow 2nd by Trustee Vernay it was unanimous to exit executive session at 8:47pm. All ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Vernay, 2nd by Trustee Bibik it was unanimous to adjourn at 8:48pm. All ayes carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer