

## **Village of Wampsville**

### **Regular Meeting**

**June 1, 2021**

The meeting of the Village of Wampsville Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:35 pm in the Village Hall, located at 118 North Court St, Wampsville, NY.

Present: Mayor Gerald Seymour Jr., Trustees Jacob Hatch, Ellen Bowe, Dawn Collins

Others in Attendance: Clerk-Treasurer Cindy Gardner, Heather Denby, Lori Seymour, Marcia Rafte, Chris Colvin

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Res. #30-2021** Motion to approve the minutes from the May 3, 2021 meeting made by Trustee Hatch, seconded by Trustee Collins.

**Discussion:** none

**Record of Vote:** All in favor: motion carried.

**Village Attorney:** Local law for the code books has been drafted and will be sent for signature. Trustee Bowe had questions regarding solar panels impact on eligible farmland specifically as it relates to the emergency plan, permit fees, and taxed as agriculture. Discussion held. It was shared that the solar panel company is responsible to pay all money up front for clean up and removal.

**Garbage Bids:** More than 200 recycling bins are available for pick up, or delivery, at the village hall – side of the building. Garbage pick-up will begin in the afternoon on July 6, 2021, by Bliss Environmental. Garbage cans will be delivered prior to 7/6/21. Residents should use 2 separate recycling bins – 1 for paper and 1 for plastic. Mayor Seymour will check to see what the protocol is for resident's who have more garbage than fits in the cans – does the village pick up the cost for additional garbage?

**Resident Concerns:** Welcome to new village resident, Marcia Rafte. Oneida has had issues with coyotes, but there have been no concerns noted in Wampsville.

**Sewer committee** – A meeting will be scheduled with Delta to consider a study being done on sewer, and the cost. Possibility of acquiring sewer for 2 streets with the biggest concerns (Friar Lane and Daniels). This would be at the homeowner's cost. The village may be able to use stimulus money for water and sewer.

**Mayor Business:** Mayor Seymour discussed grass that needed to be repaired from water main break by the playground and has reached out to appropriate vendor for repair. Discussion held on leaf pick up. Mayor Seymour encourages all village residents to call with concerns they may have. The village offices have new hours – Monday 8a-11a, Tuesday 5p-8p and Friday 11a-2p. We are looking into having e-mail accounts for trustee/board members so they would not have to utilize their personal e-mail accounts anymore.

Infrastructure – voted on Daniels and Friar Lane for paving.

Streetlights – we have not heard anything from National Grid regarding this.

Property Tax Resolution for 2021: Mayor Seymour stated the amount of money for property taxes for 2021 is \$129,815.

**Res. #31-2021** Motion to authorize the village clerk to collect taxes and approve tax warrant was made by Trustee Collins and seconded by Trustee Bowe.

**Discussion:** none

**Record of Vote:** All in favor: motion carried.

**Planning:** Mrs. Seymour advised the board met last month and the new zoning books are done and will be placed into binders for distribution. The committee is working on the comprehensive plan. Meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month. Mrs. Rafte has volunteered to be a Planning Committee member.

**Res: #32-2021** Motion to accept Ms. Rafte as a committee member made by Trustee Bowe and seconded by Trustee Collins.

**Discussion:** none.

**Record of vote:** All in favor, motion carried.

**Cannabis:** Nothing new to report. Trustee Bowe shared information with Board she received regarding cannabis use in Colorado. A suggestion was made to have an information meeting to discuss future cannabis planning as it pertains to the village. Discussions held on smoking in public places, smoking laws (will ask Ms. Denby about this), enforcing smoking on public streets (will ask Sherriff).

### **Financial Reports:**

**Res: #32-2021** Motion to accept the reports as written and pay bills made by Trustee Hatch and seconded by Trustee Collins.

**Discussion:** Discussion held on transferring monies to balance the budget

**Record of vote:** all in favor, motion carried.

**Fire Department:** Chief Colvin advised that the trailer is 99% complete and just needs the emergency lighting to be completed. The gear racking was donated to the department. Equipment stickers have been ordered.

Banners honoring local military personnel have been completed throughout the village.

June 18, 2021, at the fireman's field, there will be an event featuring a variety of food trucks and amusement rides. This is a fundraiser for the department with 10% of proceeds going to the department. Nothing is needed from the department, just use of the space. A chicken BBQ is being planned for July. Car show will be held in September. Unsure of a tractor show at this time.

**Town Lenox:** no one present for today's meeting.

**Trustee comments:** Terry Blowers dropped off information on neighborhood watch. Discussion held on inviting him to attend a meeting and discuss the program.

Discussion held on parents parking in the village hall parking lot and blocking the driveway, school students crossing the street and the possibility of having a crossing guard. Mayor Seymour will contact the school principal to discuss.

**Clerk:** Roseann Warner will assist with the year end bookkeeping and offered the use of her village clerk as a resource. New hours have been posted on the website and on the door. The drop box for mail has been opened in the front of the building for taxes and mail.

**Res: #33-2021** Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Bowe and Seconded by Trustee Hatch at 7:40pm.

**Discussion:** none

**Record of vote:** all in favor, motion carried.

Next meeting July 6, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Gardner, Village Clerk