

## **Village of Wampsville**

Regular Meeting

September 7, 2021

The meeting of the Village of Wampsville Board of Trustees Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Village Hall, located at 118 North Court St, Wampsville, NY.

Present: Mayor Gerald Seymour Jr., Trustees: Douglas Bailey, Ellen Bowe, and Dawn Collins

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Res. #43-2021 Motion to approve the minutes from the August 3, 2021 meeting made by Trustee Bailey, seconded by Trustee Collins.

Discussion: none

Record of Vote: All in favor: motion carried.

Village Attorney: Speed limit signs can be installed but cannot be below 30 mph except in a school zone. Stop signs can also be installed. Ms. Denby is on the school board and at their meeting, brought up parents parking in the village hall/fire department lot. The Board cannot control where parents park. It was noted that new parking areas are under construction at the school and should alleviate this problem in the future. We can get signs that state "Parking for Village Business Only." There is a sheriff directing traffic daily, so Mr. Seymour will talk to him and can also attend a school board meeting to discuss parking in the village lot.

## AG Zone:

Discussions held on a request to the Planning Board to convert an existing building to a small animal hospital rehabilitation center. Planning board suggested adding animal hospital under a special use permit in the agricultural zone. Several options were discussed.

Res. #44-2021 Motion to have a public hearing to coincide with the next meeting at 6:30 pm to specify animal hospital under special use permit in agricultural district made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Bowe.

Discussion: none

Record of Vote: All in favor: motion carried.

## Mayor Business:

The tree out front has been cut down and stump removed.

There was a flood in the village hall bathroom. The insurance company was contacted for damages. New flooring will be installed.

Village resident is meeting with Codes Officer to discuss tearing down the church.

Ms. Rafte will be having Historian Matthew Urtz come to the village hall to do a 30-40 minute presentation on the history of Wampsville. Date and time to be determined but hoping for November. There will be time for questions and answers after the presentation. It will be advertised in the October village newsletter and on the website.

Discussions held on having a Trunk or Treat event this year possibly at the fireman's field or in the county building parking lots. Halloween falls on a Sunday, so possibly doing on Saturday. Ms. Seymour will take

the lead in planning the event and Ms. Collins will advise the fire department at their next meeting.

Planning: Ms. Seymour introduced Justin Szcatter and announced he is taking over as the chairperson for the Planning Board. Ms. Seymour will continue on the board as a member

Park: The park's Book Nook was vandalized, and all the books were stolen. Several books have been donated by residents to replace the stolen books. All books have a label asking people to enjoy the books while at the park, but to return prior to leaving.

The last piece of equipment (bumble bee) will be installed once they have employees available.

Cannabis: Nothing new to report on this item. An informed decision will need to be made on this topic by December. A suggestion was made to prohibit smoking on village streets, which would include cannabis. Mayor Seymour will advise board members on any upcoming meetings regarding pros and cons.

Financial Reports:

Res: #45-2021 Motion to accept the report as written and pay bills was made by Trustee Bowe and seconded by Trustee Collins.

Discussion: Mayor Seymour advised that the state would reimburse the village for all the road paving completed this summer.

Record of vote: all in favor, motion carried.

Fire Department: No one was present at today's meeting. The Car Show is September 12, 2021.

Town Lenox: No one present for today's meeting. Mayor Seymour asked the Town of Lincoln to send the village a contract regarding winter plowing.

Trustee comments: Ms. Bowe stated she has made several attempts to obtain information on the speed limit signs from Senator Mays office with no response. Ms. Bowe will send a letter requesting information from Congresswoman Tenney's office.

Mayor Seymour will be attending the NYCOM training this month and hopes to find information on where stimulus money can be spent.

Res. #46-2021 Motion made to install a Stop sign on Daniels Drive made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Bowe.

Discussion: none

Record of Vote: All in favor: motion carried.

Clerk: Tax notices went out to 24 residents regarding late fees and administrative fees for unpaid 2021 taxes. Ms. Gardner noted with the new LED streetlights, this year's electric bill for the same period in 2020 was \$117.90 less.

Building Grant: Mayor Seymour spoke with one business about replacing the ramp and steps but has not received a response. A local mason will be coming to the village hall to give an estimate on demolition and rebuilding the steps this week.

Res: #47-2021 Motion to go into Executive Session was made by Trustee Bowe and Seconded by Trustee Bailey at 7:35 pm.

Discussion: none

Record of vote: all in favor, motion carried.

Res. #48-2021 Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 7:51 pm was made by Trustee Bowe, seconded by Trustee Bailey.

Discussion: none

Record of Vote: All in favor: motion carried.

Res. #49-2021 Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 pm was made by Trustee Bowe, seconded by Trustee Collins.

Discussion: none

Record of Vote: All in favor: motion carried.

Next meeting October 5, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Gardner, Village Clerk