

VILLAGE BOARD Minutes
Monday, November 2, 2020 7:00pm

Location: Zoom teleconferencing, per New York State Executive Order 202.1 the open meeting law has been suspended. The meeting will be available via Zoom, Facebook Live and recorded and posted to the village website.

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Meeting ID: 827 2759 8249 Passcode: 437958 **Questions/comments will be taken via email:**

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PRESENT: Mayor Margaret Blackman, Deputy Mayor John LaPierre, Trustee Annette Crane, Trustee Katherine Kristansen (via Zoom), Trustee Shawn Halquist, Manager/Clerk Erica Linden, Welcome Center Director (A/V Assistance) Susan Smith, Joan Hamlin (via Zoom), Christine Hamlin (via Zoom)

CALL TO ORDER 7pm

MOMENT OF SILENCE: to honor those who serve our Country, enforce our laws, & respond to emergencies & our healthcare workers still on the frontline with COVID-19

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

GUESTS: None

CONSENSUS ITEMS:

- Deputy Mayor LaPierre moved, Trustee Halquist seconded to approve the Village Board Minutes for 10/19/20. Motion carried 5/0.
- Trustee Crane moved, Trustee Halquist seconded, to approve the paying of the bills. Motion carried 5/0.
 - Abstract 11/05/2020

A (General Fund)	\$92,086.39
F (Water Fund)	\$911.47
G (Sewer Fund)	\$580.08
TOTAL	\$93,577.94

CLERK/MANAGER REPORT:

Clerk/Manager – Erica L. Linden

- Our tax collection for 2020 is complete, the last day to pay village taxes was 10/31/20. The surrender of unpaid village tax is due to Monroe County 11/09/20. The total amount of unpaid tax (\$72,793.81), including accumulated interest (\$5,823.52), is \$78,617.31. The amount gets re-levied onto the January 2020 Town/County tax bills and the County forwards payment to the village. Surrendered taxes encompass 54 properties, the same number as last year (although not all the same properties), who paid the first installment or nothing at all. The account of unpaid taxes, including interest, has been so compared and found to be correct.

Trustee Kristiansen moved, Trustee Crane seconded, to authorize the said certificate of village tax surrender. Motion carried 5/0.

Each board member to sign the certificate.

OLD or NEW BUSINESS:

- The travel restrictions laid out by Governor Cuomo for interstate and out-of-country travel due to Covid-19 have changed. In August, the Village Board passed a travel policy in-sync with the guidelines of New York State. There is every possibility the guidelines will continue to change due to the pandemic. Manager Linden recommended updating the travel policy to state the Village of Brockport travel policy will automatically update with any changes in the New York State travel guidance.

Trustee Kristansen moved, Trustee Crane seconded, to automatically update the Village of Brockport travel policy for employees, contractors, and volunteers to match New York State policy/guidance as it evolves. Motion carried 5/0.

VILLAGE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Village of Brockport is participating, along with numerous community groups including The College at Brockport and the Brockport Central School District, in the United Way of Rochester's Equity Challenge. The Challenge is open to anyone, just visit the United Way's website and sign up for 21 days of emails that provide thought provoking questions and links to articles and videos to learn more about racism and inherent bias. All employees and volunteers were invited to join in these exercises and discussions.
- A "Peaceful Presence" is planned by area clergy and others around Election Day. Rev. Lori Staubiz is leading the effort to provide a calming presence throughout our area. Some clergy plan on dressing in clerical garb and standing a distance from polling areas to provide a peaceful presence. Those interested are asked to consider hanging signs of unity and encouraged to show support by socially distancing with signs out in public areas as well.
- Election Day is tomorrow, village residents have two polling locations at either 18 State St., Sweden Town Hall, or at the Technology and Training Center on Brockport Central School District's campus. If anyone has questions about voting, please call Village Hall and we'll help you.

At 7:18 pm Deputy Mayor John LaPierre moved to adjourn, Trustee Kristansen seconded. Motion carried 5/0.