

**Budget Meeting & Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
Of the Village of Bergen at
6:00pm on April 9th 2014**

The budget meeting began at 6:00pm to discuss the tentative General and Sewer budgets.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Barclay at 7:00pm with the following present:

Deputy Mayor Cooper
Trustee Donovan
Trustee Morgante
Trustee VanEenwyk

Also present were: Village Administrator Cortney Gale, DPW Supervisor Ken Steinmetz, Grace Gallivan and Edward Adams

To begin her first meeting as Mayor, Mayor Barclay welcomed Emily VanEenwyk and Kevin Donovan to their new positions and stated that together with herself, Paul Cooper and Scott Morgante they will make a great team. She wants to make sure there is open communication and that decisions are made in the best interest of the community.

Approval of Bills

A motion to approve the bills was made by Deputy Mayor Cooper and seconded by Trustee Morgante. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote:

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the meeting minutes for March 19th & March 25th was made by Trustee Morgante and seconded by Deputy Mayor Cooper. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Mayor Barclay - Aye
Deputy Mayor Cooper - Aye
Trustee Donovan - Abstain
Trustee Morgante – Aye
Trustee VanEenwyk - Abstain

Mayor's Report

Welcome

- Welcome to Emily VanEenwyk and Kevin Donovan to the board!

Comprehensive Plan Committee (CPC)

- The CPC met on April 7; the agenda covered the possibility of working with the towns Byron and Elba as they begin the process of developing their comprehensive plans, the possibility of sharing resources and a consultant.
- Survey questions are being worked on
- Cindy Favata has resigned from the committee; we need a replacement from the village to take her place.

Bergen Community Garage Sale

- Cortney and I met with Heather Piper to plan a village-wide garage sale scheduled for June 28 and 29.
- Residents, businesses, and organizations will be invited to participate in various ways.

Meetings

- Cortney, Ken, and I have set up a weekly meeting for Tuesdays, 9am. Topics discussed and reviewed this week: Munger Street Drainage Project, park plans, budget, Liberty Pumps electric line, electric committee, reorganization meeting, trash bag stickers, etc.

Art Presentations

- Art students, along with Justine Langiewicz, High School Art Teacher, will be presenting three pieces to the village on May 28th at the board meeting.

High Speed Rail DEIS

- The Public comment deadline has been extended to April 30th; the comment page is on the website.

BBCS Budget

- Superintendent Kosiorek will present the budget at our May 14th Board Meeting.

Oath of Office Ceremony

- Thank you to everyone who participated and helped with the event. There were many favorable comments to continuing to plan events for community involvement.

Administrator's

Electric/Sewer

- Electric bills are due April 14th. Out of 43 shutoff letters that were sent out on March 18th only three homes had their power disconnected. Those customers came in the same day to pay to reconnect their service.
- The electric rate has come back down to a more normal level. Assemblyman Hawley is investigating areas where rates are still high, if you are aware of a location with rates that continue to be higher than average he asks that you contact Eileen Banker.
- Joe Chimino and I are attending the MEUA semi-annual meeting in Syracuse April 16 & 17th.
- A reminder that residents have until April 30th to pay sewer arrears before they are sent to the county to be added to Village taxes.

Tulley Building Apartment

- Apartment two has been rented to Toni Ezzell, she signed the lease, and paid the deposit and first month's rent. The advertisement was on Craigslist for one day. All apartments and business spaces in the Tulley Building are rented, bringing in \$2,375 per month.

Garbage Tags

- The owner of the Bergen C-Store has agreed to sell garbage tags. He asked if he could sell them for more than \$2.25. Currently reseller's buy the stickers for \$2.15. Ann Peters also asked that she be able to make more on sales, she stated that most people make purchases with debit/credit cards which costs her a 2% fee per transaction.

Miscellaneous

- The application to New York Power Authority for a minor increase in Hydro Electric power for the Liberty Pumps expansion is being reviewed. Mr. Chimino and I will be discussing the application with NYPA officials at the MEUA meeting.
- The majority of our bond payments are due in April and May; payments from all three funds total \$124,542.

DPW Supervisor's Report

- The plant is running well and the new level transmitters are working as planned.
- We are looking into treatment options for our phosphorus levels and should have a design plan before the requirements are mandated.
- Septic tank pumping will start at the end of this month.
- New poles have been set on Hunter Street and we are getting our tree trimming plan together. We will be doing a presentation at the annual re-leaf conference on April 23. We have also completed our stray voltage testing.
- Now that the weather has broken we are beginning pothole repairs and will be doing some restoration work as well. We will be removing 5 dead and dangerous trees in Hickory Park this Friday. On Monday 4/21 we will begin our brush pick up. A review of a policy change would be good at this time so we can implement any changes by 7/1. Early May is planned for catch basin cleaning with assistance from the Village of Churchville.
- Planning is progressing for the first phase of the Munger Street project with a projected start around 5/12/14.
- We received a few new pieces of equipment for the playground and will be installing them soon. Also work on the rest rooms and substation roof as weather permits.

CEO/ZEO

Number of Inspections	17
Number of Building Permits Issued	2
Number of Building C.0 / C.0 Issued	2
Number of Zoning Complaints Filed	0
Number of Zoning Complaints Resolved	0
Number of Appearance Tickets Issued	0
Number of Fire Inspections	2

- Temporary Certificate of Occupancy for Bergen C Store was issued, will need to finish final grade, exterior paint and parking areas when the weather breaks.
- Attending and completed compliance recertification training in Henrietta the week of March 17th

Privilege of the Floor

Grace Gallivan asked about the Bergen C-Store selling garbage tags, and stated that local businesses should sell the tags for community service rather than profit.

Trustee Concerns

None

New Business

Tax Cap Override Local Law - Scheduling Public Hearing

A public hearing for Local Law #2 of 2014 to override the New York State 2% tax cap was scheduled for April 23rd 2014 at 6:30pm

Awarding of Bid – Squirt Boom

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Cooper and seconded by Trustee Morgante to award the bid for a Squirt Boom to ALTEC in the amount of \$113,060. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Reorganizational Meeting - Discussion

Mayor Barclay reviewed the 2013-2014 Reorganizational Meeting information with the Board and asked if there were changes they would like to see that they would let her know. The Reorganizational meeting was scheduled for April 23rd.

Resolution 3 of 2014– Support of Yogurt as NYS Official Snack

Resolution of Support for the Byron-Bergen Class of 2020, 2021, 2022's Goal of Pursuing Yogurt as the Official Snack of New York State

Whereas, The State of New York does not have a “State Snack”

Whereas, yogurt is a healthy snack with good bacteria, protein, calcium, vitamins, and minerals, that are essential for children,

Whereas, the yogurt industry creates New York State jobs, grows New York State economies, and supports our New York State dairy farmers,

Whereas, the twenty-nine and growing yogurt plants in New York State produce more yogurt than any other state in the United States,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Village of Bergen supports the Byron-Bergen Elementary School Student Council, representing the student body of the Byron-Bergen Elementary School, grades kindergarten through sixth grade,

Be it Further Resolved, that the Village of Bergen encourages others to support yogurt as the official snack of New York State,

Be it Further Resolved, that the Village of Bergen supports the Byron-Bergen Elementary School Student Council goal of pursuing yogurt as the official New York State Snack.

A motion was made by Trustee Donovan and seconded by Trustee Morgante to pass resolution 3 of 2014. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Old Business

2014-2015 Budget – Scheduling of Public Hearing

A public hearing for the 2014-2015 tentative General and Sewer Budget was scheduled for April 23rd 2014 at 6:45pm

Electric Committee Update

Trustee Morgante and Mr. Gale updated the Board on the activities of the Electric Committee which included meeting with Genesee County Economic Development Corporation, Bonduelle, and planning for

the Liberty Pump expansion. The committee discussed the budgeting benefits of periodically replacing transformers and suggested the purchase of 51 transformers for \$45,000 in the 2014-2015 budget year. The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for April 11th at 9:30

Transformer Purchase

A motion was made by Trustee Morgante and seconded by Trustee Donovan to purchase 51 transformers for \$45,000 in the 2014-2015 budget year. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Trustee VanEenwyk and seconded by Trustee Morgante to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote:

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cortney W. Gale
Village Administrator