

**Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
Of the Village of Bergen at
7:00pm on May 14th 2014**

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

Trustee Cooper
Trustee Donovan
Trustee Morgante
Trustee VanEenwyk

Also present were: Village Administrator Cortney Gale, DPW Supervisor Ken Steinmetz, Rosalie Maguire, and Grace Gallivan.

Approval of Bills

A motion to approve the bills was made by Trustee Morgante and seconded by Trustee Donovan. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the meeting minutes for April 23rd 2014 was made by Trustee VanEenwyk and seconded by Trustee Morgante. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Trustee Cooper - abstain
Trustee Donovan - aye
Trustee Morgante - aye
Trustee VanEenwyk - aye

Mayor's Report

Grants

- I have been working on the writing of the grant application (CFA) for proposed Hickory Park improvements that corresponds with the Parks Master Plan; the request will be for approximately \$150,000. The application is due June 16th.

Bergen Community Garage Sale

- The committee (Heather Piper, Cortney, and me) met on April 24 to continue plans for the June 28, 29 event. We have received 10 applications at this point, businesses, organizations have been contacted, and community calendars will post the event.
- Deadline for application submission is June 13th.

Village Insurance

- Cortney and I met with Churchville Agency Inc who gave us a quote through the Trident Insurance Brokerage. NYMIR representative Karen Buckley and Rosalie Maguire met with us and will be reviewing a quote. We are waiting on a quote from Tompkins.

Comprehensive Plan Committee (CPC)

- The meeting on May 5th focused on the goals, objectives of the current plan, updating them, and matching them to survey questions. The survey sub-committee met Monday.

- I would like to appoint Tom Williamson as an active member of the CPC.

Electric Committee Meeting

- Joe Chimino, Nick Booher, Cortney Gale, Scott Morgante and I met with Kevin Drozynski (engineer) and Sarah Steitz (Lead account manager) from National Grid to discuss the steps necessary to construct the future substation (Tues., 5/13).

Park Committee/Tree Board

- The Park Committee and Tree Board met together to discuss plans for CAD and the Park Festival, tree plantings, bike path, park projects (new signs), possible summer recreation program for Hickory Park.
- Colleen Schwartzmeyer will be secretary of Park Committee taking minutes and keeping minutes book updated.

Tulley Mural

- Chip Miller, mural artist, met with Cortney, Ken, and myself to discuss Tulley mural; restoration vs replacement project. Chip's work can be seen in the murals along the Erie Canal, Syracuse, Newark, etc. He is currently putting a proposal and design together to present to the board.
- The Historical Society has agreed to help support the project.

Union Contract

- At a meeting on May 12; Kevin and I met with the union members to discuss the contract, an agreement was reached. The contract begins June 1, 2014.

Administrator's

Electric

- Electric bills were due May 13th. Of the 58 shutoff letters that were sent only one residence had service disconnected. The property is currently uninhabited.
- Mayor Barclay, Nick Booher, Joe Chimino and I will be attending the Annual New York Municipal Power Authority meeting in Syracuse on May 21st.
- We should know within the next few days if our application with Liberty Pumps for additional Hydro Electric power was approved.
- Electric rates have declined to normal levels and are anticipated to remain steady throughout the summer months.

Property Tax

- Sewer Arrears have been sent to Genesee County to be added to our property taxes in the amount of \$37,456.48.
- Tax bills are in the process of being printed by the County. They should be ready for us to mail on Friday May 30th.
- The Village received \$15,552.31 from the county for unpaid property tax. The county pays us the amount that is owed then seeks repayment from the property owner.

Accounting

- We continue to prepare for the end of the fiscal year. Bob Fox has reviewed our books and feels that there is little to clean up.
- EFP Rottenberg has submitted a quote for accounting services and the audit required by Moody's in the amount of \$14,500. We budgeted \$22,500. The reduced price is due to Moody's relaxing its requirements and our books being in good shape.

Sheriff Patrols

- The contract with the Genesee County Sherriff's Department has been renewed for another year. We will be assigned a different officer than the past few years to patrol the village.

Miscellaneous

- The New York Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) Fall Training School is September 15th-18th.

DPW Supervisor’s Report

- Munger Street project will begin May 27th
- Community Action Day is Saturday May 10th
- Park improvements have begun. The quarter mile track will be installed after Park Days
- The Ford F-150 went to auction and was sold for \$14,000, which is \$3,500 more than expected.

CEO/ZEO

Number of Inspections	14
Number of Building Permits Issued	1
Number of Building C.0 / C.0 Issued	1
Number of Zoning Complaints Filed	0
Number of Zoning Complaints Resolved	0
Number of Appearance Tickets Issued	0
Number of Fire Inspections	3

All Area of Public Assemblies (with an occupant load of 50 or more) Fire Safety and Property Maintenance Inspections have been completed and are in compliance.

Privilege of the Floor

None

Trustee Concerns

None

New Business

School Budget Presentation – Superintendent Kosiorek

Mr. Kosiorek presented the 2014-2015 Byron-Bergen Central School District Budget.

NYMPA Delegate Resolution

A motion was made by Trustee Cooper and seconded by Trustee Morgante to appoint Joseph Chimino as the Village’s delegate to the 17th Annual New York Municipal Power Agency meeting. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bergen, New York, is a municipal member of the New York Municipal Power Agency, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the bylaws of New York Municipal Power Agency, each municipal member may cast one vote on each transaction properly brought before this meeting,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Joseph Chimino be and is hereby designated as the accredited delegate of the Village of Bergen, New York.

Comprehensive Plan Member Appointment

Mayor Barclay appointed Thomas Williamson as a permanent member of the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

Insurance Provider Selection

Mr. Gale presented the Board with insurance quotes he obtained from Churchville Agency, Lawley Genesee, and Tompkins Insurance. The Board will review the quotes and vote at the May 28th meeting.

Union Contract Agreement

Mayor Barclay discussed the progress in union negotiations and presented them with a tentative agreement. The key pieces of the three year agreement are a 2.5% raise per year, and employees paying 28% of health insurance premiums.

A motion was made by Trustee Morgante and seconded by Trustee Donovan to accept the agreement. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Trustee Cooper - nay
Trustee Donovan - aye
Trustee Morgante - aye
Trustee VanEenwyk - aye

Electric Budget Discussion

Mr. Gale presented the tentative 2014-2015 Electric Budget and discussed the changes. The vote on the budget is scheduled for the May 28th meeting.

Energy Efficiency Budget Discussion

Mr. Gale reviewed the Bergen Energy Efficiency Budget and outlined the programs and how they have been used.

Old Business

None

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cortney W. Gale
Village Administrator