

**Village of Afton**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Jack D. Bolster Community Center, Afton, NY**  
**December, 11 2017**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held December 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Susquehanna Room, 105 Main Street, Afton, NY

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

**Present:** Mayor Muller, Trustee Harvey, Trustee Simonds, Trustee Matthews and Trustee Zablocki and David Bird

**Visitors:** Madison Riley, Tracy Hatton, Matthew Livermore and Sherry Johnson

- A motion was made by Trustee Simonds authorizing Clerk/Treasurer to pay the following audited vouchers, Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.  
**General Fund Vouchers # 142-169, Totaling \$17,374.01.**  
**Water Fund Vouchers # 42 – 49, Totaling \$1,202.18.**
- Motion to accept previous minutes with no additions or corrections was made by Trustee Simonds, seconded by Trustee Matthews. All in favor, motion passed.

**Monthly Report:**

- DPW/ Water: Report distributed.
- Police Department. No Report. Office in Charge has been in training this week. Report will be handed in this week.
- Code Enforcement: Report distributed.
- Planning Board: Trustee Matthews informed the Village Board of Trustees that Planning Board is still working on the rezoning of the property located next to Afton Equipment.
- Finance/Insurance: Up to date. Insurance has been added to the well house contents for equipment replacement if needed.
- Christmas Parade Committee: Once again there was a lovely parade held within the community. Brand James & Friends did a wonderful job.
- Grant Committee: The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that we are working on the last part of the grant with ESD. We are 2/3 of the way through the grant process, the competition should take place in March.
- Parks Committee: The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that the committee had done well at raising funds at the senior's sale on December 2, 2017.
- Historian Report: Report distributed.

**Old Business:**

- Weiss Cleanup – Remains the same. The Mayor stated that she would speak with Mr. David Bird at some point about the progress of this project.
- Sidewalk- Strong- David Bird stated that they are still working on this. He stated that DOT will be looking into this issue, there appears to be an issue with the drainage.

## **New Business:**

- The Mayor asked visitors Madison Riley & Tracy Hatton to introduce themselves to the Village Board of Trustees. Madison was here to receive credit towards their Government class.
- Visitor Matthew Livermore addressed the Village Board of Trustees of his concerns with the time frame for the rezoning in the area of the Village where his property is located.
- Trustee Matthews informed Mr. Livermore that the Planning Board is reviewing all the necessary steps. Currently they are waiting on DOT with the 239 process.
- Visitor Sherry Johnson informed the Village Board of Trustees that she and her husband have purchased the property located at 138 Winding Way. This property is located just outside of the Village limits. She had previously spoken with the Mayor about the possible hook up to the Villages water system. She stated that she attended the Planning Board meeting last week, only to be told that she needed to speak with the Village Board. The Mayor suggested that she write a letter addressing the Village Board of Trustees about her request.
- A motion was made by Trustee Simonds to approving the Village to obtaining a credit card to be kept here at the office for purchases that require such a card. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
- A letter of received by Gary's U- Pull it. They are asking that the Village allow for them to electronically transfer payments into our account.
- A motion was made by Trustee Simonds to give Gary's U-pull it the general fund checking account number for electric payment to the Village by them. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that we have found one election inspector for our upcoming Village Election by held on Tuesday , March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. If anyone has any ideas of someone who may be interested, to let her know before the next meeting.
- An email of Thanks was distributed to the Trustees from Mr. Feehan. He sent Thanks for the support of the proposed Broome, Chenango, Delaware Family ATV, Dirt Bike Park.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that we are in need of Zoning Board of Appeals Members. Everyone should be thinking about who could serve on this committee.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that now that the water tank has been inspected. It's now suggested by the County that the Village have an engineer look at the water tank to help decide if the tank should be relined or replaced.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to allow for the Mayor to contact Delaware Engineering to help determine what is needed. Seconded by Trustee Harvey, All in favor, motion passed.

- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that Bailey DeBetta had quit.
- The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees she ran an advertisement in the paper. She also stated that she has since hired a new employee. Donald Lockwood Jr. whom had previously worked for the Village.
- Trustee Harvey asked about voting on the approval of the new hire, the Mayor stated that that's not necessary, she can do all the hiring and firing without board approval.
- A motion was made by Trustee Simonds to close the office for Christmas Day, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017, as well as New Year's Day, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
- DPW David Bird informed the Village Board of Trustees that he feels as though East Main Street along with Pleasant Ave are in need of repair this spring.
- DPW David Bird informed the Village Board of Trustees that starting in January, he'll be attending the Superintendent of Highways meetings.
- DPW David Bird informed the Village Board of Trustees that all the request made by the County Health Department for our water have been addressed.
- Trustee Simonds asked about allocating enough money in next year's budget to address the sidewalks that need fixing.
- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to adjourn our regular meeting at 7:50 pm and Seconded by Trustee Simonds. All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted  
Ann Palmatier  
Clerk/Treasurer