

**Village of Afton**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Jack D. Bolster Community Center, Afton, NY**  
**May 8, 2017**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held May 8, 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.

**Absent:** DPW Superintendent Joshua Sweeney

**Visitors:** Amy Cross and Jerry Harris

- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews authorizing Clerk/Treasurer to pay the following audited vouchers, Seconded by Trustee Simonds. All in favor, motion passed.  
**General Fund Vouchers # 284 - 404, Totaling \$11,214.27.**  
**Water Fund Vouchers # 79 – 84, Totaling \$431.14.**
- Motion to accept previous minutes with no additions or corrections was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Zablocki. All in favor, motion passed.

**Monthly Report:**

- **DPW/ Water:** Report distributed.
- **Police Department.** No report distributed.
- **Code Enforcement:** No representative.
- **Planning Board:** A meeting was held. Talked about guide lines for new commercial zone. There will be a Planning training session on May 25<sup>th</sup> at the County most of the board members will be attending
- **Finance/Insurance:** The Mayor informed the Board of the estimates for insurance coverage of the contents of the well house. The Board was asked to look them over for next month's meeting.
- **Christmas Parade Committee:** Remains the same.
- **Grant Committee:** The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees of the public meeting held on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, from 2 – 4 pm. At the Jack D. Bolster Community Center, 105 Main Street, Afton, This meeting was held to allow area residents an opportunity to ask questions about the economic & sustainable development grants. The Mayor as well as the project advisory committee members and GeoEco Design Owner, Professor Mr. Richard Shaker was on hand to answer any questions. The Board of Trustees was also advised that the Village submitted the third payment reimbursement request to The Department of State.
- **Parks Committee:** The Mayor informed the Village Board of Trustees that the Knights of Columbus will be selling chicken halves on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in front of the Rendezvous Lounge. Tickets are being sold at \$8 each, pick up time will start at 11 AM. All proceeds will go towards the Parks Committee Fund.

### **Old Business:**

- Weiss Cleanup - Remains the same. – Placed on hold until spring, ground needs to dry out.
- Sidewalk repair. – Strong property is on the list.
- Sidewalk laws. - A review of the NYCOM laws were distributed to the Trustees for review. The Mayor informed the Trustees that we are covered under the State Laws, but also expressed that if the Village receives a written request that there must be a follow up process.

### **New Business:**

- Visitor Amy Cross distributed her monthly report of calls and complaints within the Village and Town. She expressed to the Village Board of Trustees the ongoing complaints of area residents as well as business owners of dog feces throughout the Village.
- Visitor Jerry Harris expressed to the Village Board of Trustees that DPW Superintendent Joshua Sweeney is working hard and doing a good job. Mr. Harris stated that we still have a lot of pot holes in need of repair throughout the Village. Mr. Harris asked if the Village had all the required materials to fix the necessary pot holes as well as if there was a street schedule list for repairs. The Mayor expressed that we do what we can, that it's Josh's job to decide which streets are in need of repair. Mr. Harris asked if there was a street or a building committee. Mr. Harris stated that our streets are getting away from us.
- Trustee Simonds informed the Village Board of Trustees that Wagner's Lumber from Nineveh, NY. Are willing to donate their Nut Cracker displays from last year's Christmas Parade to the Village.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to accept the donation from Wagner Lumber. Seconded by Trustee Zablocki. All in favor. Motion passed. The Nut Crackers will be stored at the property located on Postal Ave, owned by the Village.
- The April 2017 report from the Village / Town Historian was distributed for the review of the Village Board of Trustees.
- The Afton Village Clerk requested to close the Village office on Thursday, June 15, 2017.
- A motion was made by Trustees Simonds to allow the Village Clerk to close the office on Thursday, June 15, 2017. Seconded by Trustees Matthews. All in favor, motion passed. A notice will be placed in the Tri- Town prior to the closing.
- The Organizational Meeting for the Village of Afton was held during the regular May meeting. Motion was made for the following: Planning Board Members are as follows – April Leggett, Ernest Cutting, Robert Humphrey Jr, Bruce Bosket and James Garland. Appeals Board Members are as follows – Richard Cuthbertson. The Attorney for the Village will be Coughlin & Gerhardt. The official depository for all monies will be The NBT Bank. The official newspaper will continue to be The Tri-Town News. Our mileage reimbursement will be \$.50. Our monthly board meeting will be held every second Monday of the Month at 7PM. in the Susquehanna Room at the Jack D Bolster Community Center 105 Main Street. The Planning Board monthly meeting will be held on the first Monday of the Month at 7PM,

as the same address. All Village committees will remain the same. Deputy Mayor will be Gloria Harvey, Motion for the preceding was made by Trustee Simonds and seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.

- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to close the Village Clerks Office on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day. Seconded by Trustee Simonds. All in favor, motion passed.
- Trustee Harvey reminded the Village Board that our guest speaker for Afton's Annual Memorial Day Parade will be Ray Copp, a Retired Navy Vet from Windsor. The parade will begin at 10 AM that morning. Flyers will be placed thru out the village business district.
- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to adjourn our regular meeting at 8:15 pm and Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Ann Palmatier

Clerk/Treasurer