

Regular Village of Norwood Board Meeting  
December 19, th 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Norwood was called to order December 19th, 2017 at 6:00 PM by Mayor Timothy Levison.

Also Present: Trustees: Kristin Nezezon  
Mike Zagrobelny  
Clerk Nancy Berger  
DPW Dan McGregor  
Police Ptlm Ghostlaw  
Fire Dept Rep. Bill McIntire

Trustee: Mike diVencenzo  
Zoning Officer: Halpern  
Recreation Dir.  
Absent:  
Trustee: Boprey  
Attorney: V. Gettmann excused

Motion: diVencenzo/ Nezezon to approve minutes of the last regular meeting Ayes 3.

Motion: Nezezon /diVencenzo to approve to approve payment of the abstract of audited bills. Ayes 3.  
General Fund \$94,900.769 Water Fund \$6070.18 Sewer Fund \$12711.57.

**REPORTS:**

**TREASURER:** The report was presented corrections have been made and all accounts are up to December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Water & Sewer also show correct balances.

**ATTORNEY:** None Property Maintenance and Firesafety General Provisions Chapter 136 Provided for review.

**DPW:** Report Presented. The new truck is on its way, it will then be fitted with the plow and sander, the old pick up will go up for sale. Patching was done in from on Perry's store and the plowing season has started, all is going well.

**WATER/SEWER:** A bid for the patching of the lagoon liners has been received.

**POLICE:** Report presented. The Mayor wanted the department to be aware that there have been problems with the rail road crossing in that the lights are on, the arms are down, but there doesn't seem to be any train, this has happened several times lately causing a traffic back up. The number for Vermont Rail was given to Officer Ghostlaw.

**FIRE DEPT:** Report presented. Bill McIntire wanted to thank everyone who helped with the recent fire on Elm Street. The Board wanted to know what kind of work the volunteers were able to do to personal vehicles in the bays of the firehouse. It should be limited going forward.

**ZONING:** Presented, detailing building permits issued. Questions regarding the trailer park were asked recently. The park doesn't have a permit on file and there have been few violations, mostly debris around vacant trailers. The Village should look at annual operating permits which would be granted by the Zoning board and approved by the Village Board.

**YOUTH:** Michelle Garrow is looking to put together a trip to Titus as part of our youth program. It would be nice to have Michelle attend the next meeting, to discuss how she thought the season went as well as ideas for the upcoming season.

**MAYOR:** The Planning Board should work on annual operating permits the next it convenes. Sheehan has a large driveway from the cemetery towards Brasher we want to keep an eye on the traffic to make sure that oversized trucks are not accessing Morgan St. The Village is hosting a blood drive on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, if anyone is interested contact Shelly at the Clerk's office to sign up. The Mayor was approached by a resident about a potential community garden some of the food could be used for the local food banks or churches. We have received a reprieve from the state DEC on the repairs for the liners they will need to be done by June 1<sup>st</sup> and we will still need to provide a plan for the replacement of the liners by February.

**TRUSTEES:** Trustee diVencenzo wanted to say how nice the winter festival was. Mayor said there were only a few comments one being that maybe it could be a little bigger next year.

Trustee Zagrobelny attended the Mayors conference, the formula that the county uses to establish the amount of sales tax that each municipality receives is expiring in 2018. The Board should keep an eye on this we don't want to not be represented and cause the Village a loss of revenue. The next meeting will be in Ogdensburg, more to come.

**VISITORS:** Alice Kim with Charter Communications – Alice gave an overview of the Franchise Agreement, the minimum is a 10 year contract, and the maximum amount to collect would be 5%. We currently collect 3%. The Village may be interested in not collecting the Franchise fee.

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**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. Notice of Adoption:** Bond Resolution Estoppels Notice. Motion by Zagrobelny/Nezezon. Ayes 3.
- 2. Charter Communications Franchise Agreement:** Alice Kim answered all board questions. The Clerk will need to do further research to see how much the Village receives in revenue; we may want to decline the franchise agreement to be able to pass on the savings to the community.
- 3. Pat Jay Planning Board:** Pat Jay has been recommended to join the Planning Board. Motion by: Zagrobelny/diVincenzo Ayes 3.
- 4. Smoke Test:** On Hold

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Funding for Fountain/Community Garden: Recommended diVincenzo to chair a committee for the project
2. Accessibility Contract: Recent bill was reviewed as well as contract. We will revisit at budget time.
3. We will need to start working on the Budget

Motion to adjourn diVincenzo/ Nezezon Ayes 3.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM.