

Regular Village of Norwood Board Meeting

November 19, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Norwood was called to order November 19th, 2019 by Mayor Timothy Levison. Called to order 5:57pm

Also, Present: Trustees:

Kriston Nezezon

OIC Shawn Wells

David Fenton

Fire Chief Harold Loomis Jr. & Jim Grant

Glenn Webster

Bill MacIntire Code Officer

Dan McGregor

Absent: Mike DiVincenzo

Clerk Nancy Berger

Attorney: V. Gettmann Excused

Visitors: John Perretta & Greg Fiacco

Nick Orologio Excused

Motion: Fenton/Nezezon motion to approve October minutes. Ayes 3

Motion: Fenton/Webster motion to approve payment of abstract of audited bills. Ayes 3; General A fund \$36,811.97, Water F fund \$2,421.08, Sewer G fund \$2,946.58.

VISITORS:

- Both Mr. Perretta and Mr. Fiacco were present at the meeting to discuss the flooding in their homes from the sewer system. They placed a call to the DPW to have them check the system the following day they suffered from several feet of water in the basements again. The problem is the drains in the basement which allow the sewer to flow into the building. Mr. Fiacco thinks that the system is full of roots. Mr. Fiacco believes that there is a broken pipe, the DPW will borrow the camera from Norfolk to scan the lines to be sure there is no broken pipe and make sure that it is not plugged. Mr. Perretta stated that one of the occasions that the DPW was down there they pulled out a large amount of roots from the system. This happens due to the pipe fittings joints approx. every two feet. The blockage showed that there was only about 1 inch that the flow could go through in a 6 in pipe. Mr. Peretta called his insurance company and they said that this is the Village's problem as it came from an outside source that it was not his responsibility especially as the problem was reported the day before and was not corrected they feel he has a good prospect for legal action against the Village to cover the cost of the 3 furnaces. Mr. Perretta noted that he has never had this issue in the past. Dan will follow up and keep all parties posted. Mr. Perretta questioned if there was any compensation, there is nothing the Village can do.

REPORTS:

Treasurer: A report was presented but did not show any increases or decreases the report will need to be corrected and re submitted.

Attorney: None.

DPW: The DPW has completed grinding about 120 stumps. The Village borrowed the stump grinder from the County, in exchange of the DPW doing road work on Morgan. Children At Play signs removed from Lang St. & Prospect St. The Village was advised by NYMIR that they should be removed as this could open up the Village liability, as the Village doesn't enforce the signs. TTE Fenton stated that these were advisory signs that didn't require the Village to enforce. The Village is ready for the winter season equipment is ready and we have received the salt and sand we will need for now.

Police: A report was presented. Sign on S Main is almost unreadable depicting the parking ban for the Village. The department has issued 2 warnings regarding parking in a no parking spot. There is one vehicle that repeatedly in parking in a 1 hour parking area, they have been given notice that the vehicle will be towed. Car 190 will be getting new tires.

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Regular Village Board Meeting

October 15th, 2019

Water/Sewer: Update on the Lagoons, we received a letter from the DEC requesting our plans for the maintenance and repairs that the Village will do to continue to patch the liners. The Village will need to provide the DEC with our plans by December 16th. A discussion on the sewer system including manhole covers being replaced and drains in several of the basements of the homes in the village, have been partially to blame for the excessive levels at the WWTP

Fire Department: Jim submitted the bills for the department for this month. The FD tested the air packs 2 failed completely the department will put out for bid to see what they can get the cost is about \$1250/ea. They will need to replace 10 by the end of the year. A report was also presented on the calls that were received from the department. Rescue 12 is out of service indefinitely. The department also wanted to make sure that people using the hall don't park in the parking lot as if a call comes in, they will need to be able to get the trucks out. The Mayor asked if the department was going to be in the winter festival parade on Dec 7th. They will look into it.

Zoning: Report presented. Bill has been in training over the last several months. Bill has started some rental inspections. Mayor questioned issues at the trailer park. 3-5 S Main St Parham, the plans look better TTE Nezezon questioned how we will speed up the progress for the project. The project will most likely not start until summer.

Youth: None.

Mayor: Sexual Harassment training needs to be completed. We will need to increase our fund balance in order to be ready for the upgrades that the treatment liners will need. St Lawrence Gas has been sold it is now called Liberty Utilities. LED lighting Glenn explained that we were asked to complete paperwork that was sent in several months ago, the paperwork was completed again and sent in again. The Mayor mentioned that Marty Miller won the town election. There will be a mock evacuation drill that the school will have some of the children come to the Village Hall on the 26th of November. The Holiday festival will be December 7th the Village usually donates \$100 Motion made by TTE Webster/Nezezon Ayes 3

Trustees: TTE Webster is working on bids for a generator, TTE Nezezon estimates that it will cost approx. 50K to upgrade the electrical system for the building. We will need to get estimates from an electrical contractor.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Resolution designating Wednesday, March 18th 2020 as the village election day.
Resolution 11-19-19
Changing the date of the Village election to March 18th 2020.
WHEREAS the Village of Norwood will change the election date to March 18th 2020
WHEREAS the third Tuesday of March falls on the seventeenth day of March PER Election Law 15-104(1)(b)),
therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that the Village of Norwood will change the date of the Village election to March 18th, 2020 with the polling place shall be the Norwood municipal building located 11 S Main St, from 6am to 9pm Motion made by TTE Fenton/TTE Webster Ayes 3
2. Fire contract with the town of Stockholm Motion made by TTE Nezezon/TTE Fenton Ayes 3

For Discussion:

1. Water/sewer increase - Nancy will follow up with Renee Hotte USDA

2. DEC letter – the villages rating was marginal and a follow up letter with details of repairs and improvements will need to be submitted by December 16th 2019.
3. Generator – TTE Webster has a proposal from BGR Power he presented, he will reach out to another company to compare the quotes.
4. Sexual harassment training needs to be completed, the Mayor completed his today, TTE Nezezon and Fenton have completed their training with their employers.
5. Kiosk money – the Mayor stated that we have not received the funds back from Potsdam as of yet but a letter was sent inquiring when we will receive the money this is a project from over 2 years ago.
6. Parham situation – this was discussed previously with the Code Officer
7. LED lighting – TTE Webster has been following up on the progress with NYPA we are not the only municipality that is having a problem with the project moving forward.
8. Overnight parking – discussed above
9. DANC – The Mayor was notified that DANC doesn't have the funding for the mapping program that the board approved at the last meeting.
10. NYSDEC Wetlands – Flood mapping, the board doesn't feel there should be any changes at this time

Exe Session: Motion to enter Executive session at 7:38 pm Fenton/Webster Ayes 3.

Personnel issues

Motion to exit Executive session at 8:08 Nezezon/Fenton.

Motion to adjourn Nezezon/Fenton Ayes 3. Meeting adjourned 8:10pm.