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VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON

Regular Board Meeting

# May 12, 2021

At 6:00 pm, Mayor Lashua called the meeting to order. Mayor Lashua opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Trustees in presence were Trustee E. Wood and A. Guardino. Trustee C. Basford arrived at 6:18pm. Trustee W. Knowlton was absent. Also, in attendance was T. Murray, DPW Superintendent; and K. Feuka, C2AE. J. Lightfoot, SLC Legislator arrived at 6:02.

Public Forum Mr. Lightfoot updated the board on county matters. He left at 7:05pm.

Carol Basford from United Helpers discussed the plans to reopen the ICF building and stated they needed a municipality to sponsor their application for a grant. She asked if they were open to exploring this possibility which they agreed to discuss once they received more information on what would be involved.

HVFD Report Trustee Wood advised the Board that the walls and floor at the fire hall have been painted. They will be washing the streets this week. They are holding a Chicken BBQ on June 6th. They are starting to fill pools and it was discussed about the amount of water they could use per day for this.

They currently have 46 members.

Sewer/Water Mr. McConnell stated that there was a sewer plant violation. A fecal sample failed and he had to resample. He spoke to the DEC. The waste lagoon will be emptied soon when the land spreading occurs. He has been doing routine maintenance and working with the construction people on the water project. They Mayor asked Mr. McConnell to check with Brian Nutting on the cost for DANC to flush the hydrants as part of their duties. Mr. McConnell left at 6:30pm.

Mr. Feuka updated the board on the water project. He explained the change order and schedule as well as the substantial completion date. He also presented the Mayor the SHPO award for the Village’s handling of the archaeological remains found during construction of the water tower. Mr. Feuka left at 7:10pm

**RESOLUTION 21-037 WATER PROJECT CHANGE ORDER 3-4** Offered by Mayor Lashua, seconded by Tr. Basford. Tr. Wood and Tr. Guardino-Yes **Resolution to accept change order 3-4 to approve the substantial completion date of 5/21/2021.**

The Mayor talked about resuming the late fees for water/sewer beginning on the next billing cycle which the board agreed to.

Mayor’s Report Mayor Lashua advised the board that the plans for the youth program for this year are still uncertain. There will be soccer program and are still trying to find a place to have swimming lessons. They discussed other options and activities that could be offered.

She talked about the need for another Planning Board member and asked for suggestions.

Progress on the Pavilion construction was discussed and Tr. Wood will look into ordering materials.

The Mayor talked about purchasing two portable speed signs to be used in the Village. The board agreed that Mr. Murray could purchase them.

The LWRP was discussed and the Mayor asked if the board was interested in exploring a walking or biking trail in the old railroad bed which they were in agreement that they wanted to find out more about it.

The Mayor stated the Village is still working with the Attorney to keep the Village property tax exempt. The Board agrees to allow the Mayor to sign any agreements to keep exemption status as per attorney’s advice.

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The Mayor explained the change to re-levies for water, sewer and trash this year. The Governor passed a law stating that water fees could not be re-levied due to COVID so they will not be re-levied this year.

She reviewed the 2nd notice fee, the 2021-2022 pay rates and the anti-terrorist insurance coverage.

Approval of the end of year vouchers will be on May 26th.

RESOLUTION 21-038 RE-LEVY TO VILLAGE TAXES

Offered by Mayor Lashua, seconded by Tr. Guardino. Tr. Basford and Tr. Wood - Aye.

Resolution authorizing the Village Clerk to re-levy unpaid sewer charges plus penalties of $2,400.30 and unpaid trash charges plus penalties of $181.80 totaling $2,582.10 to the June 2021 Village Tax Roll.

RESOLUTION 21-039 SECOND NOTICE FEE

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Basford. Tr. Guardino and Mayor Lashua - Aye.

Resolution to assess a second notice fee of $2.00 for taxes due.

RESOLUTION 21-040 2021-22 PAY RATES

Offered by Tr. Guardino, seconded by Tr. Basford. Tr. Wood and Mayor Lashua - Aye.

**Resolution to approve the following pay rates for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:**

DPW Superintendent $ 25.75

MEO #1 $ 20.86

MEO #1 $ 18.80

**Clerk/Treasurer $ 18.00**

**Deputy Clerk $ 18.00**

**Bus Drivers $ 18.00**

Recreation Attendants $ 12.50

Recreation Leader $ 1700.00

RESOLUTION 21-041 ANTI-TERRORIST COVERAGE

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Guardino. Tr. Basford and Mayor Lashua - Aye.

Resolution to opt out of the terrorism portion of the Village’s liability insurance at a savings of $ 522.00.

Streets Mr. Murray said that brush pick up is moving along. They will work on the fencing at the municipal parking lot in June. The Mayor asked him to order a sign stating it is a municipal parking lot so people will know they can park there.

**RESOLUTION 21-042 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Basford. Tr. Guardino and Mayor Lashua - Aye.

**Resolution to accept the minutes of the 4/14/19 meeting.**

RESOLUTION 21-043 VOUCHER APPROVALS

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Guardino. Tr. Basford and Mayor Lashua - Aye.

\*Approval of Vouchers 0521-1-0521-33

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| General | $ 23,544.47 |
| Sewer | $ 5,031.11 |
| Water | $ 1,356.31 |
| Water Tower | $228,059.29 |
| Sewer Cons. | $ 449.50 |
| Total | $258,440.68 |

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**Other Disbursements: $ 52,586.89**

**RESOLUTION 21-044 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Guardino. Tr. Basford and Mayor Lashua - Aye.

**Resolution to approve the following budget modifications:**

**General**:

**Increase: Decrease:**

**19204.1 Assoc. Dues $ 156.44 12104.1 Mayor CE $ 156.44**

**34104.1 Fire Dept CE $10,307.74 39892.1 Fire Reserve EQ $ 10,307.74**

**51824.1 Street Lighting CE $1,542.13 54101.1 Sidewalks PS $ 2,151.15**

**81604.1 Refuse/Garbage CE $2,151.15 97306.1 BAN Principal $ 3,666.67**

**85604.1 Shade Trees $ 100.00 97307.1 BAN Interest $ 300.14**

**19904.1 Contingency $2,324.68 $ 16,582.14**

**$16,582.14**

**Water:**

**Increase: Decrease:**

**83204.3 Source Pump CE $ 823.71 83404.3 Transmission CE $5,115.24**

**83401.3 Transmission PS $ 1,076.09**

**90308.3 Social Security $ 163.76**

**90608.3 Medical Insurance $ 3,051.68**

**$ 5,115.24**

At 8:20 with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Tr. Wood. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Smithers

Deputy Village Clerk