

Regular monthly meeting of January 25, 2023

Present: Mayor Mark Falsone, Trustees: Gail Harrington, Marco Falsone, Mike Didas (entered late) Excused: David Poole. Others present: Clerk/Treasurer: Donna Wollschleger DPW Supervisor: Brian Rayburn, CEO: Kim Rayburn, Community member: Ann Borgstrom

The meeting was opened at 5:30 with the pledge to the flag.

Privilege of the floor:

1. Ann Borgstrom came to the board asking if dog waste bag receptacles could be put up in Pickle Park and other locations throughout the Village. She walks 1.5-2 miles per day with her dogs and would like to not have to carry the waste bag along the entire trip. She stated there used to be a garbage can on Main Street and that is gone. The Mayor explained that was taken for repair and would be back out in the Spring. Ann stated that there are a lot of individuals in the Village that walk their dogs daily and would rather not wait till Spring. The Mayor said Brian would investigate them. The discussion was held that they would need to be emptied regularly.

5:35 Ann Borgstrom left the meeting.

2. Kim Rayburn reported that she has been very busy since taking over as CEO. She has completed all her courses and now just needs to do the on-going education that is required. She has been working to clean up all the old outstanding permits and violations. The Mayor asked her to find time this Spring to do a drive around and look for violations. The Lucas house was discussed, and she will make sure the safety fence is still up. Mr. Lucas's daughter Judy is working to get the property cleaned up. There is a timeline that needs to be followed. Kim stated the house was in the Historical District and needs to investigate what can be done if the property is not cleaned up. The Elms property was discussed. Kim said she put a call into JP from MRB to have him check the SWPT to see if that is in compliance. Bennett Ave was discussed. Kim stated it is cleaned up for now. She will work to stay on top of it to keep it that way.

5:57 Kim Rayburn left the meeting.

Minutes: The minutes from the December 28, 2022 meeting were approved as amended.

Mayor's report:

1. The board was given a list of items that the DPW needs in their safety cabinet. The list was approved. Carey is working on the list and updating the cabinets.
2. The Mayor reminded those running for another term that the election petitions must be turned in between February 7-14th.
3. The RFQ for the I & I Study of problems and actions has been put in the paper, on our website and published on the Contractor website. It has a deadline of February 17th.
4. St. Peter's update: The lawyer has received a sign off from all descendants that could be found, and he is writing a motion to send to New York State to request to have the restriction

lifted on the deed, that states it must be used for church purposes. He stated it could take 6-8 weeks to hear back.

Trustee Didas entered the meeting.

5. The Mayor asked Trustee Falsone to speak about the meeting he went to at the Town of East Bloomfield. Trustee Falsone said Bloomfield CSD was there to explain the idea of where they would like to put up a new transportation center. They are looking at the land they own at the Elementary School on Maple Ave and having a driveway come out onto Oakmount Ave.
6. There was a major water leak at the end of Elm Street where the Rte. 444 residents are hooked up. This is Town property, with a private water system, and we can't service it. The Village is losing 60-80K gallons of water a day due to this leak. Brian advised the homeowners that if the leak gets worse before it gets fixed on Monday that we will have to shut the water down. This is one of two illegal out of district water user areas. The other issue is the one on CR#40. The Board discussed the fact that the Town of East Bloomfield needs to address these issues. If the DOH comes in and says we have to shut off the water, we will. The residents won't be happy, but it will fall back on the Town as they are not Village residents. The Mayor will be meeting with our Village attorney about these issues. We may have to send homeowners a letter.

Clerk/Treasurer report: by Donna Wollschleger

1. The treasurer reports for December were submitted for review and discussion.
2. Abstract #8 (vouchers 215-250, TA 25) was audited and approved in the following amounts: general fund \$20,580.05; water fund \$23,847.86; sewer fund \$86,562.99; and TA \$99.00. The clerk and DPW supervisor declared that all services have been rendered and all goods have been received. Trustee Didas motioned, seconded by Trustee Falsone, and it was unanimously carried to pay the bills as presented.
3. The permissive referendum was put in the paper and that money will be transferred in early February to the Water fund.
4. Sales tax has been received from the 4th quarter of 2022. It was more than projected.
5. Calendar year end has been completed.

CEO report: by Kim Rayburn

1. December report was submitted for review.
2. Annual report was submitted for review.

Public works report: By Brian Rayburn

Water:

1. We are waiting for Fineline Construction to get their submittals ready for our review for the water project. Brian expects that will happen in the next few weeks. There will be a pre-construction meeting scheduled for the end of February.
2. The Village is dealing with a couple of out of district water users on 444 just past the Village line on the north side of the village. On Sunday one resident called with low water pressure

and Brian gave him some things to look for and explained that they have a private water line, and the Village could not legally assist them. On Monday a second resident from that area called with no water. At that point Brian went down to see if he could give them some guidance and he located a significant water leak in the driveway of yet another neighbor. Brian helped them line up a contractor for early next week and told them that if the leak became worse between now and then, the Village would need to shut their water supply down.

3. We still have not received the inspection report from the DOH for our water system. The watershed inspection report for 2022 has been submitted, the annual DEC water withdrawal report is complete and will be submitted this week. We are waiting for the blank wastewater treatment facility flow management report to arrive. Once it's received it will be completed and submitted. The annual water quality report will be completed closer to spring.

Sewer and WWTP:

1. Interior painting is being completed on one of the plant buildings.
2. Extensive annual maintenance is being completed at the WWTP.
3. One leaking roof has been repaired at the WWTP, and another building needed a completely new roof. The tear off is complete and new roofing should be installed next week. Proctor Enterprises is completing this work.

Streets and Equipment:

1. Brian was notified this month that Ford has cancelled our order for our replacement van after 21 months, due to computer chips and semi-conductors not being available. Brian is currently writing specs for either a Dodge or Chevy van and will submit them for bidding in the next week or so. If he can find an existing van in dealer inventory that would suit our needs, he will see if the dealer can provide NYS OGS pricing for an existing vehicle.

Miscellaneous:

1. Brian is waiting on quotes for oil and stone for this summer and ballpark pricing on repaving East Main street. Once he receives those his budget will be complete.
2. Brian was told to buy a new metal garbage can for Main Street.
3. Brian stated that Dan is ready to take his grade 3 Sewer exam.
4. Brian stated that Corey is ready to take his CDL permit exam.

Village Engineer: none

Standing committees: none

Special Committees: none

Unfinished Business:

1. The Project list was further discussed, and we will be budgeting for purchase of property, blacktopping East Main St., decorative sidewalk repairs, and crosswalk signs on Maple Ave.

New business:

1. Kathleen Conradt and Cheryl Hall have agreed to be the election inspectors this year if approved by the board. **Mayor Falsone motioned, seconded by Trustee Falsone to appoint Kathleen Conradt and Cheryl Hall as the Election Inspectors for the March 21st vote. Motion carried.**
2. The EPG grant was discussed, and the following motion made:

RESOLUTION 2023-001
Village of Bloomfield
Engineering Planning Grant-(EPG)
Authorization and Project Costs for Award Allocations

WHEREAS, the Village of Bloomfield submitted and was awarded an Engineering Planning Grant (EPG) under the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process on behalf of the Village, for an Inflow & Infiltration Study; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation offer a competitive statewide reimbursement grant programs for local governments, administered through the New York Clean Water State Revolving Fund; and

WHEREAS, that the Village of Bloomfield Board Trustees, accepts the EPG program grant award on behalf of the Village for an Inflow & Infiltration Study; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Village Mayor is authorized to execute a Grant Agreement with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the project and to fulfill the Village of Bloomfield's obligations under the Grant Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Bloomfield authorizes and appropriates a minimum 20% local match as required by the Engineering Planning Grant Program for the Inflow & Infiltration Study. Under the EPG program, this local match must be at least 20% of the EPG grant award of up to \$30,000. The source of the local match, and any amount in excess of the required match, shall be provided through the Sewer fund. The maximum local match shall not exceed \$6,000 based upon a total estimated maximum project cost of \$36,000. The Mayor may increase this local match through the use of in-kind services without further approval from the Village of Bloomfield's Board.

Motion made by Trustee Harrington, seconded by Trustee Falsone. All in favor

Adjournment: The February meeting will be Wednesday, February 22, 2023. Mayor Falsone motioned, Trustee Falsone seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Wollschleger,
Clerk/Treasurer