

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Delhi was held **Monday, March 21, 2022** at 5:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

The meeting started at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor: Sridhar Samudrala
Trustees: Jeremy Fitch and Barbara Jones
Via Zoom: Ian Lamont
Absent: Christopher Maney

Visitors: Dan Ayres, Peg Baldwin, Bill Brown and Cindi Cobbe

Privilege of the floor was granted to Dan Ayres of 16 High Street, who will be continuing as Chair of the Beautification committee. Dan wanted to thank the Village of Delhi for their continued support of the Beautification committee. The Beautification committee should be removing the trees this weekend. Dan mentioned that someone was in last month about the large trucks on High Street. Dan was more concerned with the issue of vehicles speeding on High Street, cutting through to Meredith Street.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2022 regular meeting, Motion was seconded by Trustee Jones and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones to approve Abstract #010 dated March 21, 2022 in the amount of \$108,249.47 plus 2 additional vouchers for General in the amount of \$164.68, plus 3 additional vouchers for Water in the amount of \$8,356.01 and 6 additional vouchers for Sewer in the amount of \$18,966.18 = \$135,736.34 total abstract (General fund \$19,142.23, Water fund \$47,832.78, Sewer fund \$45,454.19, and Trust & Agency fund \$23,307.14). Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to accept Police Report for February, Street Report dated March 2022, Water Report dated 3/15/2022, Sewer Report dated March 14, 2022, Code Enforcement Officer's Report dated February 23 – March 15, 2022, Village Clerk's Report dated March 21, 2022 and Historian Report dated March 14, 2022. Motion was seconded by Trustee Jones and passed unanimously.

Bill Brown from Delaware Engineering was present and indicated he didn't need anything this evening from the Village board. The funding applications have been submitted and we are still waiting to hear back on the applications. Bill reported that Catskill Watershed Corp. (CWC) has approved the design for the Buena Vista WWTP plan on Andes Road. This should be moving forward within a couple weeks.

Trustee Fitch reported for the Police Committee. Trustee Fitch indicated that the final draft of the updated PBA contract is ready to be signed by the Mayor.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to authorize Mayor to sign the updated PBA contract for the period 6/1/2022 – 5/31/2025. Motion was seconded by Trustee Jones and passed unanimously.

Trustee Fitch also address the issue of 5 lights on the outside of Village Hall need to be fixed or replaced to make sure there is adequate lighting to provide for safety of everyone. Trustee Fitch indicated he would like to finalize lights – he will get quote for lights from Home Depot and quote from

Jim Warren to do the installation of these 5 lights so that the Village Board can approve this to move forward.

Trustee Fitch also inquired where we stand with the "Village Hall Doors" with Ben Decker quote. The Mayor indicated that this was for the police committee to handle. Trustee Fitch indicated police already met and gave their recommendations for the quote. At this point, Village of Delhi should be getting a quote from Ben Decker so that the Village can authorize moving forward with Decker's quote.

Chief Mills asked the Village Board to approve the appointment of Tiffany Croizer to the position of Police Officer (Competitive-Fulltime).

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to appoint Tiffany Croizer to the position of Police Officer (Competitive-Fulltime) effective 4/1/2022 at step 2 at a rate of \$23.62 per hour with a 1 year probation period. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Chief Mills asked the Village Board to approve the appointment of Matthew Vogel to the position of Police Officer (Competitive-Fulltime).

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to appoint Matthew Vogel to the position of Police Officer (Competitive-Fulltime) effective 4/22/2022 at step 2 at a rate of \$23.62 per hour with a 1 year probation period. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Trustee Lamont reported for the DPW Committee. Trustee Lamont indicated that the Street Department had intended to purchase a welder but if the Sewer unit is portable, there is no reason for the Village of Delhi to own two welders.

Trustee Lamont spoke of an email dated 3/18/2022 with a proposal from Upstate Generator & Power LLC in the amount of \$1,936 per year for both of the generator.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to authorize moving ahead with the Upstate Generator & Power LLC quote dated 3/18/2022 in the amount of \$1,936 for both of the generators. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

Trustee Fitch indicated to the Village Board that the Police Department also would like to build 3 new desks in the office space of the PD.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to authorize the Police Department to build 3 new desks at a cost not to exceed \$1,900. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to approve Water to move forward with the 3/9/2022 quote from Sewer Specialties for 2022 Sanitary Sewer Infiltration Remediation Clean, Telvise, Test & Seal per the quote (Day Rate @ \$4,000.00 per day, Mobilization @ \$500, Chemical Sealant @ \$12.00 Gal, Pipe Patch 8" x24" @ \$1,000 ea and Pipe Patch 8" x 48" @ \$1,250). Motion was seconded by Trustee Jones and passed unanimously.

Dave Hornbeck made a request in his report to purchase a welder.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to authorize Sewer to purchase the welder as quoted through Miller at a cost of \$3,849. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

A discussion was had about the Sewer budget. The O & M portion of the budget needs to be accepted so that Stacey Eggers from Red Door can submit the Village of Delhi Sewer budget to New York City DEP for their approval.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to accept the Sewer O & M budget of \$1,367,675.41 and allow Stacey Eggers to submit this portion of the Sewer budget to New York City for their approval. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

Trustee Jones reported for the Joint Services, Recreation Committee. There will be a meeting at SUNY Delhi (Centennial Center in Sanford Hall) on 3/28/2022 for the purpose of hearing the student presentations to the Village Board for their proposed projects.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones to authorize the Mayor to sign The A. Lindsay and Olive B. O'Connor Foundation, Inc. paperwork accepting \$1,000 grant for Youth Basketball and \$1,000 for Youth Volleyball. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

Trustee Jones also reported for Codes, Building & Planning Committee. Code Enforcement Officer Tom Little reported to the committee that he is waiting for the engineering report for the Bishop building. He also has a violation he is working on for 201 Main Street.

Trustee Lamont has spoken to Chris Bodo regarding Animal Control for the Village of Delhi but he indicated we need to table this matter. Trustee Lamont needs to follow up again with Chris Bodo to see if he is truly interested in doing this for the Village of Delhi.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to accept a donation of \$5,000 from the O'Connor Foundation for the charging station and \$6,500 from Delaware National Bank for fireworks. Motion was seconded by Trustee Jones and passed unanimously.

Trustee Fitch wanted to thank Trustee Maney for his 12 years of service to the Village of Delhi as a Trustee. He went on to thank Trustee Jones for her years of service to the Village of Delhi as a Trustee.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Jones and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Cairns
Village Clerk