

Village of Youngstown Agenda Minutes – May 25, 2017

Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:59 p.m. Also present were Trustee Adamson, Zastrow, Comerford, Deputy Mayor Lockhart, Attorney Caserta, Police Chief Schuey, Code Enforcement Officer Stevens and DPW Superintendent Muller and a few interested residents and students.

Before opening the meeting to the public, Mayor Reynolds introduced Ms. Sonora Miller who now is the Librarian of the Youngstown Free Library after Jan Gilgore retired. She then stood and stated that she is very happy to be here. She stated that there will be some changes and some things will remain the same. She addressed the students in the crowd and stated that she is open to any suggestions/comments that can make the library more user friendly towards them. Mayor Reynolds thanked Ms. Miller and stated that we are happy to have her here.

Mayor Reynolds then opened the meeting to the public. A resident from Church Street stated that from May 12th – May 19th there were thirty seven buses that went down Second Street. He did call the Police Office and he stated that the police officer that came to his house was very nice and explained that they are trying to do the best they could but only have one patrol on duty during the day. Chief Schuey stated that they have issued four tickets so far and in order to issue a ticket the officer must see the bus disobeying the laws – they cannot take a residents word on it.

The same resident then stated that the owners of the property at the corner of Second Street and Church Street must be remodeling and put all their garbage in that lot and it looks terrible. Mayor Reynolds stated that he talked to the owners and they had to remove the flooring of their business due to the River flooding the business. Since Niagara County is in the state of emergency Mayor Reynolds stated that it will be cleaned up as soon as possible.

With no other public comments Mayor Reynolds went on to department reports:

Chief Schuey had nothing else to report.

DPW Superintendent Muller handed in his April report and he came in late due to trouble with the sewer lines on Main Street.

Code Enforcement Officer Stevens handed in his April report and he stated that he sent out notifications to property owners who haven't cut their grass yet.

Engineer Lannon was absent but Deputy Mayor Lockhart stated that the geo-tech that was done on Water Street was done and they are just waiting for the results now. He also stated the results from the geo-tech sidewalk going down Water Street would cost the Village around a quarter million dollars. The Board decided to wait to hear about the Water Street results before deciding what the next step would be.

Grant Writer Rotella was absent. Mayor Reynolds stated the Senator Ortt suggested that the grant for the Cold Storage and the Waterline Project be used totally for the waterline project since the New York State Parks deemed the Cold

Storage a Historical Landmark, he stated that at least this would save the grant money.

Attorney Caserta stated that he spoke to the Chretien's who reside at 703 Main Street and found out that they are not the owners of the property and therefore Attorney Caserta stated that the annual agreement to use the property adjacent to the 703 property would not apply to them since the owner of the property should be the one living there. The Board agreed with Attorney Caserta and they decided to discuss this further at a later time.

Minutes from the May 11, 2017 Meeting were approved by motion from Trustee Zastrow and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.

Correspondence

1. Gross receipt tax received for the month of April 2017 in the amount of \$95.41.
Sales Tax Received for the month of April 2017 in the amount of \$30,305.48 down \$1,028.46 from same period last year. So noted
2. Just a reminder of the Memorial Day Celebration on Monday, May 29, 2017 at Fort Niagara – 1812 Cemetery - from 11:00 a.m. – Noon. So noted

Agenda

1. Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period May 12, 2017 – May 25, 2017: General - \$19,930.55, Water - \$111.78, Sewer - \$295.24 and Trust Agency - \$1,233.88. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Adamson and seconded by Trustee Zastrow and carried.
2. Approval of a Resolution to authorize the collection of taxes:
Take notice that the Clerk Treasurer of the Village of Youngstown, New York has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the 2017-2018 fiscal year and that taxes will be collected as follows: at the Village Office, 240 Lockport Street, Youngstown, New York on each Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from June 1st thru June 30th, 2017. During the period of June 1st thru June 30th taxes may be paid without additional charges. Take further notice that on all taxes remaining unpaid after June 30, 2017 five percent (5%) will be added through July 31, 2017 and one percent (1%) will be added thereafter. Any unpaid taxes as of the close of business on October 31, 2017 will be turned over to Niagara County for collection. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Zastrow and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.
3. Motion for Mayor Reynolds to sign the Fire Protection Contract for the term of twelve (12) months from and after June 1, 2017 and the Village hereby agrees to pay to the Fire company thereafter the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Two Dollars (\$106,932.00). Motion to table this until Attorney Caserta could re-write the part about insurance coverage was made by Trustee Adamson and seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried.

4. Board approval for Appropriation Transfers in the amount of: General - \$120,415.39, Water - \$26, 232.48 and Sewer - \$37,605.26. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Zastrow and seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.

5. Letter from Terry Collesano, Mayor of the Village of Lewiston requesting a donation towards the July 4th fireworks display to be held on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 at dark, with a rain date of Wednesday, July 5, 2017. Motion to approve \$500.00 was made by Trustee Comerford and seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried.

6. Approval of the language so the Mayor may sign the agreement with Mobiletech to use our water tower for their antennas. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Adamson and seconded by Trustee Zastrow and carried.

7. A request from St. John's Episcopal Church to borrow 10 tables and 40 chairs for their annual Strawberry Festival which is being held on June 16th, 2017. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Comerford and seconded by Trustee Zastrow and carried.

8. The next Village Board Meeting will be June 15th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. due to the fact during the summer months of June, July and August there is only one board meeting.

Following the regular Village Board Meeting the Village Board will be holding a work session.

Following the Work Session the Board will be going into Executive Session for Personnel Matters and Litigation.

Old Business

1. Tabled from the April 27, 2017 meeting: Motion to approve "Youngstown Niagara End of Summer Fair" to be sponsored by PYRBA and the VFW Lake Ontario Post 313. Remain tabled.

New Business

Deputy Mayor Lockhart stated that the Lion's Club Picnic will be held on July 29th, 2017, and the Lion's Club would like the Board's permission to have beer and wine and use of the park. The Board will consider this and it will be on the next board meeting agenda.

Motion to approve the sale of millings to the public at \$3.00 per yard was made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.

Deputy Mayor Lockhart also suggested that since the water levels are so high that barriers be put up in the parking lot down on Water Street so people don't go walking down there and not realize where the River actually begins and fall into the water. The Board agreed and Superintendent Muller will take care of that.

With no other new business Mayor Reynolds moved onto reports:

Reports

Trustee Adamson stated that he has been talking to Duffy Johnson from Town of Porter and the grant money for a new Senior Van looks good.

He also stated that Rite Aid was sponsoring green light bulbs for residents to put in their outside lights to support our Veterans.

He also stated as soon as the weather breaks the light polls will be painted.

And on June 9th, 2017 the Diner will be selling 50 tickets to raise funding for the Care and Share Food Pantry in Ransomville.

Trustee Zastrow asked Code Enforcement Officer how much longer the job that is blocking Main Street sidewalk will take? Code Enforcement Officer stated that it is just about done.

Trustee Comerford stated that the Youngstown Nancy Price Memorial Run was a success and Trustee Adamson and himself helped out with it.

He just wanted to remind everyone of the following dates:

June 3rd at 1:00 p.m. will be the re-dedication of Lion's Park

June 17th at St. John's Episcopal Church from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. they will be holding their annual Strawberry Festival

June 22nd Beginning of Summer Street Dance from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

With no other reports the Mayor opened the meeting to the public again:

No public comments

Trustee Adamson then motioned to adjourn the board meeting and enter into the work session, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried. 7:51 p.m.

The Work Session adjourned at 8:52 p.m. by motion of Trustee Adamson and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.

The Executive Session adjourned at 9:33 p.m. by motion of Trustee Adamson and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.

Motion to close the Board Meeting was made by Trustee Adamson and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried. 9:35 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Cynthia J Tripoli

Deputy Clerk Treasurer