



## **TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF: 8/31/23**

### **GENERAL FUND**

Sales Tax revenue for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter was budgeted at \$17,173.60 for July. The payment was budgeted for July but received and deposited in August in the amount of \$27,652.22.

Cemetery plot sales are over budget for the year, while cemetery charges are below budget as it has been a slow summer for burials as compared to years past. Burials will continue as scheduled until December 1, or sooner depending on snow fall.

The Village had budgeted \$20,000 in donations to be received towards the upgrades to the basketball court. There has been no new movement, or receipt of the donation as of 8/31/23. The total project is budgeted at a cost of \$35,000 under line 7140.4 for the youth recreation area.

DPW Equipment sale of outdated equipment was budgeted for July in the amount of \$10,000 for the sale of the Kabota and has yet to occur. The sale of the backhoe was budgeted at \$12,000 in August and the sale of the sweeper is budgeted at \$3,000, slated later in the fiscal year. The backhoe is being repaired again and will remain in use until a new backhoe can be procured.

The claim against the insurance company for the \$38,400 that was sent to a fraudulent party posing as a vendor for the down payment towards a used backhoe was denied due to lack of coverage for that type of claim as the employees followed the direction of the board of Trustees and the instructions given for payment by the vendor, as directed by the Commissioner and Mayor. The down payment was approved without prior receipt of a W-9, proof of insurance, nor was it put out to bid. The Village of New Berlin can appeal the decision with the submission of additional evidence. At this time all evidence has been submitted to the insurance company and Fraud Investigation Unit.

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The paving of Academy Street is complete with a total spending of \$35,750. The purchase price will be offset by the re-imbursement through the CHIPS program. Jared Kline will submit the reimbursement request prior to the end of the current quarter.

Fire Department repairs are over budget this fiscal year to date by \$4,489.25 but include an invoice of \$8,691 for a pump rebuild.

DPW Equipment repairs are overbudget this fiscal year to date due to multiple breakdowns of the DPW backhoe.

DPW gas purchases are over budget due to the purchase of bulk fuel. Allocation of gas expense to the Fire Department and the EMS department will occur upon submission of usage forms from the departments. Mirabito bills should begin to decline with the usage of bulk diesel.

DPW Equipment purchases budgeted for the Fiscal Year include an articulating loader with sweeper head for \$40,000, this will replace the existing sweeper, a backhoe in the amount of \$65,000 (less the loss of \$38,400 from the failed purchase attempt in the spring), and \$3,000 was budgeted for the procurement of a new scag mower, for a total expenditure of \$108,000 with \$50,000 being covered by the reserve balance and \$25,000 to be offset by the revenue from the sale of equipment. The scag mower was purchased in August upon approval by the board for a total spend of \$7,967.17 in September.

An estimated invoice for the NYS Retirement System has been received. This year's budget included \$30,000 for the General Fund, \$16,500 for the EMS Fund, and \$12,507 for the Water Fund retirement costs. The estimated bill is \$43,896 for the Village with the discount for early payment included in the savings of \$15,111 across all three funds. This will be further analyzed to determine the breakdown of savings by fund based on salary allocations and retirement tier of the employees in the retirement system once the salary allocations of the departments have been reviewed in conjunction with the invoice that will be received in October/early November.

The sale of the Firehouse should be completed early this fiscal year. \$20,200 was budgeted to cover the roof replacement at the Village office, in addition to \$8,014 in expenses prior to legal and closing costs of the sale were expensed in 2022/2023 that would have been offset by the revenue from the sale. The anticipated sale less expenses was budgeted to increase the unappropriated fund balance in the estimated amount of \$47,786. This will be complete once the sale has been finalized.

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## **WATER FUND**

\$1,550 equipment expense paid for meters from Ti-Sales caused equipment line item to be over budget for the month of August, but YTD the Water Fund is \$450 under budget.

\$20,025.63 has been spent with Barton and Lougudice this fiscal year to date for financial assistance with the water improvement project. Three applications were submitted by the engineering firm in August for a GIG Grant for the Installation of Water meters, a \$5,000,000 grant application to WIIA, and an SRF funding application for \$10,212,000 in hardship loan-based funds through SRF.

Contractual expenses are over budget this fiscal year to date by \$1,685, stemming from purchases of chemicals and the electric bill. The Moss Street electric bill seems to be running higher than this time last year.

## **EMS FUND**

The Village has not received an invoice for the rental of Sidney's ambulance for June or July, or August. Sidney Ambulance is currently working on a rental agreement, the Village has paid \$100 per day for 25 days of rent on the ambulance for May and paid for repairs to the Sidney Ambulance's brakes and air conditioning to maintain the usability of the ambulance while the board investigates procurement options for a new ambulance for the Village to purchase.

Payment for services from patient billing is \$14,760 below budget year to date, or 37% below budgeted call volume and patient billings. The Village has paid 50% of funds budgeted from the General Fund in the amount of \$27,500 in July. This constitutes General Fund Contributions equivalent to \$4,583.33 per month and should last through November of 2023. The second half of the contribution will be made in March of 2024 but may need to be made sooner to offset shortfalls in patient charges.

When to Work scheduling software has been paid for the year, there was a cost increase of \$20 as compared to last years charge.

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\$20,000 was budgeted in grant income for August, this was to be used towards the purchase of a thumper for the ambulance, to date the EMS department has not submitted any grant applications for the funding source.

Procurement of an ambulance is budgeted for this fiscal year at the amount of \$65,000. A procurement team is reviewing options for the board.

Uniforms purchases were budgeted at a total expense for the fiscal year of \$500. Year to date uniform expenditures through September 12<sup>th</sup> are \$2,289.31 leaving the department over budget \$1,789.31 for the full fiscal year if no additional uniform bills are received by the Village.

This fiscal year to date the EMS service is \$22,798.24 under budget for the 2023/2024 Fiscal Year.

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