

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of New Berlin was held on June 11, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Members in Attendance:

Peter Lennon, Mayor
Dave Smith, Trustee
Maryellen Canuel, Trustee
Josh Burchill, Trustee Arrived 7:00 PM
James Crawford, Trustee Absent

Others Present: Jared Kline, DPW; Jared Hanslmaier, Fire Dept.; Lisa Saradilla, Village Resident

Minutes of the 6/5/24 meeting were approved on motion by Maryellen Canuel, seconded by David Smith

VOTE: Canuel yes
 Smith yes
 Lennon yes

Motion approved

Lisa Saradilla expressed her concern for the Village Clerk/Treas. position as Kelly is currently out of the office on a medically-related claim. She feels this claim was not handled appropriately.

FIRE DEPT

The Fire Dept monthly report was received. Mr. Jared Hanslmaier explained to the board the OSHA laws that may be changed and the effect this will have on our department members, particularly the leadership positions. Training requirement swill increase from the current 150 hours to 300 hours for certain positions. Public comment period on this proposed law ends 6/21 and the Dept asks the board to contact their legislators to not pass this law at this time.

Quotes for the estimates for body work to be done on 256 and 251 were explained.

256 Tanker \$5004.00

251 Engine \$16029.00

These repairs could extend the life of both vehicles between 5-10 years. The dept would like to use the funds not expended from the 23-24 budget to make these repairs instead of moving these monies into the fire department's capital reserve equipment fund.

The BBQ racks on the Fire Dept. pit were discussed. These racks have been returned to the owner and the Fire Dept. would like to purchase new racks at a cost to the Village not to exceed \$3000. This will be brought up in new business

The Board was informed that the old "259" Ambulance is to be listed on Auctions International and bidding for this vehicle should close before our July meeting.

DPW REPORT

Paving of the School Street Parking Lot was discussed. Additional paving is needed and the DPW has requested that the board approve the additional amount but not to exceed \$4500 total.

Mr. Kline explained that the Town of New Berlin has made a long-term transfer of the Village of New Berlin their old hot box that needs repair for \$600. Our DPW would like approval to repair this piece of equipment.

The possibility of a part time position for the Cemetery mowing was discussed. The Board will seek a part time person to assist with the upkeep of the Fairview Cemetery (and possibly Greenwood) as the interest from the Perpetual Care Principal is meant for this purpose.

CHIPS funding reimbursement has been submitted in the amount of more than \$35000. and has not been received as yet. Mr. Kline will check into this reimbursement.

Mr. Kline is also looking into additional funding for street/surface repair through the POP program and EWR program.

SuitKote has given us a quote for sealing of village streets. The total is \$61000.00 and is reimbursable through CHIPS funding. The DPW will prepare a prioritized strategy for this work for the next Board meeting.

Mr. Kline explained the process of using a cold mix that other villages have been using with good results. This process costs about \$70 per ton and could be used on the NB heights road. Mr. Kline will look into this process.

Training for the DPW and Water System was reported.

The Village of Afton has obtained a grant for the storage of salt. We will seek the information for this grant.

Harrington's Tree Removal has submitted a bid of \$5000 for the removal of dead trees in Fairview Cemetery.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

No report Received.

Mayor Lennon reported that another round of Mowing and Trash removal on village properties has been completed.

WATER GRANTS

Public Notices have been completed and we are waiting for the comment period to end. This should complete the documentation period for Dept of Ag (Rural Development's) final consideration of Funding.

SAMS GRANT - no report

EMS Crest Grant - Pending delivery of Funds Distribution Agreement (\$75K) from DASNY for the ambulance equipment.

CD LOANS - No applications have been received. Information has been distributed

PLANNING BOARD - a meeting is to be held mid-July

SPECTRUM SERVICE PROPOSAL - Waiting for an update from SPECTRUM

Resignation of Tanner Webb - Dave Smith made the motion to approve this resignation. Seconded by Josh Burchill

VOTE: Smith yes
 Burchill yes
 Canuel yes
 Lennon yes

Resignation Accepted

Update for Cameras in the Village was discussed. The Town has notified the Village that they will share the cost of village surveillance cameras.

The Village has received two proposals for Project Manager for the Design and Construction phase of our Water Project. These Proposals have been submitted by LaBella and Barton & Loguidice. Discussion was held on these two proposals. A final decision will be determined by the board following additional feedback from other municipalities that are cited as references.

Josh Burchill made the motion to contact the County Civil Service for a job description for part time summer help for the cemetery. Seconded by David Smith

VOTE: Burchill Yes
Smith Yes
Canuel Yes
Lennon Yes

Motion Approved

Proposal from Harrington's for tree removal in Fairview Cemetery for an amount of \$5000 was approved on motion by Maryellen Canuel, seconded by Dave Smith.

VOTE Canuel Yes
Smith Yes
Burchill Yes
Lennon Yes

APPROVED

The Board requests a bid from SuitKote for cold patch for NB Heights.

Josh Burchill made the motion to enter Executive Session to discussion legal matters.

Seconded by Dave Smith.

VOTE: Burchill yes
Smith yes
Canuel yes
Lennon yes