

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on July 15, 2019 at Halstead Hall, Civic Center, 39 Lake Street scheduled to commence at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Thomas D. Batha, Mayor
Thomas M. Dart, Trustee
Jamie L. Gadway, Trustee
Dale Menard, Trustee

ABSENT: Benjamin Arno, Trustee

OTHERS PRESENT: Becky Pelkey, Deputy Treasurer
Brian Pelkey, Public Works Supervisor

RECORDING SECRETARY: Donna J. Boumil, Village Clerk/Administrator

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Thomas Batha called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

REGULAR SESSION:

I. OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

No comments from the public

II. BIDS

- 1) Engineering Services for Parks & Rec Grant – no bids received
A letter was received from AES stating they are willing to provide a bid, however they could not meet the deadline.

Motion by Trustee Menard to award AES to provide the engineering for the Parks & Rec Grant as long as within the scope and funding of the grant; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; Discussion; Trustee Dart asked for clarification of the scope of the bid. Mayor Batha clarified that AES will provide engineering for the fields, tennis and pickleball courts, dugouts, etc. **AYE CARRIED**

- 2) Pad Mounted Switch

This was tabled from the July 1, 2019 meeting.

Discussion ensued: PWS Pelkey explained that he had a conversation with the Village Engineer regarding the bids that were received. It was determined that a different controller needs to be spec'd.

Motion by Trustee Menard to reject the bids received and redo the specification sheet with input from the Village Engineer; Seconded by Trustee Dart; **AYE CARRIED.**

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Trustee Gadway made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 1, 2019 meeting; Seconded by Trustee Menard; **AYE CARRIED**

III. BILLS: CHECK # 25572 – 25621 \$ 262,521.02

No additions or deletions.

Motion by Trustee Menard to accept and pay the bills; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; **AYE CARRIED**

IV. CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) A letter received from Mr. Donald Gaudette asking to waive surcharges on a recent bill due to him being in the hospital for several weeks and was unable to pay his bill.

Motion by Trustee Gadway to waive the surcharge; Seconded by Trustee Menard; Discussion: Mr. Gaudette has never asked for a waiver. Vote: 3 AYES; 1 NAY (Trustee Dart)

V. REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES:

a. MAYOR THOMAS D. BATHA:

- 1) Mayor Batha requests an Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular employee(s); Motion by Trustee Menard to approve the executive session; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED
- 2) Mayor Batha requests and Executive Session to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law; Motion by Trustee Menard to approve the executive session; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED
- 3) Mayor Batha discussed the breaks in the force main sewer line – 2 breaks in 2019. Mayor Batha asked the PWS what the scope of the work is:
 - 800' of line
 - the sewer line is on rock and ledge
 - main line to sewer plant

Mayor Batha explained that Elevate518 notified him that there is a grant available.

PWS Pelkey stated that the line replacement was going to be in next years budget and the Village Crew would do the work.

Mayor Batha inquired with Elevate518 for a quote to write the grant.

Motion by Trustee Menard to approach Elevate518 to apply for a grant to replace the main sewer Line (not to exceed \$500); Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED

b. TRUSTEE ARNO:

Absent

c. TRUSTEE THOMAS M. DART:

- 1) Trustee Dart requests an Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular employee; Seconded by Trustee Menard; AYE CARRIED
- 2) Trustee Dart inquired about the land transaction with Pfizer. Mayor Batha explained that this is tied in with the \$500,000 infrastructure grant.
- 3) Trustee Dart asked when the first meeting with Barton & Loguidice is. Mayor Batha explained that the contract was signed last week. A meeting is being scheduled.

d. TRUSTEE DALE M. MENARD:

Nothing to report

e. TRUSTEE JAMIE L. GADWAY:

- 1) Trustee Gadway mentioned that the Rec Center placed a trash can at the “beach” located near Sportsman’s. The Rec Center will make this as part of their daily rounds.

VI. OTHER REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR:

Clerk/Administrator Donna Boumil reported singer/storyteller Nan Hoffman will be performing at the Dodge Memorial Library on July 18th at 10:30am.

TREASURER:

Nothing to report

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:

1) Updates:

- TSI is conducting work on the substation which is under budget. The Village will receive a full report from them.
- PWS Pelkey is anticipating a scheduled power outage for maintenance on the substation on either July 27th or August 3rd. He is coordinating with Champlain Plastics. He will notify the residents once it is confirmed.
- there are 2 anticipated scheduled power outages for the south end in mid-late August.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR:

Absent

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

absent

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No comments from the public

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Menard to recess at 7:18PM; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Menard to enter into executive session at 7:21PM; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED

No action taken in executive session

Motion by Mayor Batha to exit executive session at 8:12PM; Seconded by Trustee Menard

Motion by Mayor Batha to enter into regular session at 8:12PM; Seconded by Trustee Menard

IX. REGULAR SESSION:

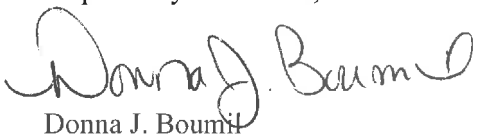
Trustee Gadway made a motion to keep a particular employee in his current status until the July 29th meeting; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Menard to schedule a Special Meeting on July 29, 2019 at 4PM at the Village Office to discuss personnel matters; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Menard to adjourn at 8:13PM; Seconded by Trustee Gadway; AYE CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,



Donna J. Bourn
Village Clerk/Administrator