

Village of Geneseo Board of Trustees - July 29, 2024

Board Present:

Chris Ivers, Mayor
Keith Walters, Deputy Mayor
Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee
Eddie Lee, Trustee
Alex Livingston, Trustee

Other Village Representatives Present:

Shawn Forrester, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Others Present:

Louise Wadsworth, Jules Hoepting, David A Parish, and Sandy Scneible

Meeting Opened:

Mayor Ivers opened the meeting at 5pm. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Livingston County First Impressions Program:

Louise Wadsworth presented the Board with the Banners that had been created for Main Street. As well as the discussion on the banners there was discussion regarding the loss of the Livingston County Welcome Center and the possibility of installing a kiosk.

Letchworth Gateway Villages:

Sandy Schneible and Jules Hoepting presented the Board with the local brochures that had been created to promote tourism. There was discussion about awards intended for the Greenway for resurfacing and the monthly newsletter.

Approval of Minutes:

The July 15, 2024, minutes were presented. Trustee Livingston moved to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. The minutes were reviewed and discussed. With one adjustment the minutes were accepted with ayes from all.

New Fire Truck:

Chief Chandler brought the new truck for the Board to view. Trustee Livingston noted that it should be placed in service soon.

Scarecrow Festival:

Lynn Horn was unable to be present. Will be on next month's agenda.

Public Hearing for Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters & Ambulance Workers:

Trustee Livingston moved to close the public hearing. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. There was discussion regarding the language of the proposed law, the possibility of redrafting it or to proceed with the current draft. It is decided that there is time to redraft. With no further discussion the public hearing was closed at 5:37pm with ayes from all.

Possible Parking Moratorium:

Trustee Livingston presented his findings regarding parking revenue for the months of June, July, and August. There is discussion of how to replace the revenue, alternatives to tickets for customers to local businesses. It is decided that this would be revisited before the end of the year.

Approval of Abstract #2 of Fiscal Year 2024-2025:

Following review Trustee Livingston moved to approve payment for The General Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$302,825.93. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. After discussion the motion passed with ayes from all. Trustee Livingston moved approve payment of The Water Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$90,960.24. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed with ayes from all. Trustee Livingston moved approve payment of The Sewer Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$122,244.45. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed with ayes from all.

Mayor Items:

The Village receive notice of the Press Release regarding the NY Forward Grant, hopefully, more information will be forthcoming.

Local Government Support Services would be on board soon.

The contract with ProNexus was now completed.

Mayor Ivers appointed Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Forrester to Clerk/Treasurer for the remainder of his term.

ARPA Deadlines:

There is discussion regarding the ARPA funding and the new role LGSS will play in the designation of the funds. It was decided to revisit at the September 30, 2024, Meeting

Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Committee Update:

Trustee Lee updated the Board that the State denied the request to adjust the speed limits on Rte. 39 near Geneseo Central School, as well as flashing beacons at the intersection of Rte. 20A and Crossett Road.

Historian Update:

David A Parish was in attendance and inquired about the use of his father's bequest. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore updated the Board that the interviews for the Historian position would be August 12th or 19th.

Village Tree Inventory Update:

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore updated the Board that a mapping program for the trees was being explored. The program would include location, condition, species, and diameter.

Website Update:

There is discussion on having relevant notices of work being performed by the Village as an alert on the home page. As well as adding a NY Forward section.

Meeting Closed:

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to close the meeting. Trustee Livingston seconded. With no further discussion the meeting closed at 6:55pm with ayes from all.