

Board Present:

Chris Ivers, Mayor (5:06pm)
Keith Walters, Deputy Mayor
Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee
Eddie Lee, Trustee
Alex Livingston, Trustee

Other Village Representatives Present:

Shawn Forrester, Clerk/Treasurer
Dan Quinlan, Superintendent of Public Works

Others Present:

Michael Smith, Graham Johnsen, Karen Kelley, Mary Margaret Stallone, Colleen Venturino, Larry Kelley, Rick Bennett, Cynthia Sattora, Laura Neus, Kim Binaghi Lee, Mark Peace, Timothy Paul, Mike Lehmann, Marcia Podhorecki, Susan Richardson, Suzanne Johnsen, Parker Johnsen

Meeting Opened:

Deputy Mayor Walters opened the meeting at 5pm. It is noted the Mayor is on his way. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Traffic Calming – Crossett Road:

Graham Johnsen was present and submitted to the Board his research regarding traffic calming devices and measures to slow traffic in residential areas, as well as a petition for Crossett Road Traffic Calming.

Mike Smith expressed his concerns over speeding and the driveways close to the intersection.

Karen Kelley expressed concerns over safety, especially when mowing or getting mail.

Timothy Paul Spoke of pets being hit and inattentive drivers.

Mr. Johnsen spoke of the cars taking Crossett Road as a short cut to RT 63, as well as the number of people killed in traffic accidents every year.

The Board discussed the different measures presented. Conversation continued with what is good for the entire community. As well as asking the community to volunteer on the many Boards to help.

The Board agrees to add 30MPH speed limit signs on Crossett Road. They further note that changing the speed limit entering Crossett Road would be up to the Town and advised the group to make that request to the Town. The Board tabled the discussion to 10/28/2024.

Traffic Calming – North Street:

Mark Peace was present to request measures be taken on North Street to slow down traffic. There is discussion regarding the measures sought by the Crossett Road group that would be helpful for North Street as well. Mr. Peace expressed his frustration that North Street had been ignored. Discussion continues with speed limit signs and speed humps. *The Board tabled the discussion to 10/28/2024.*

Parking Request:

Mike Lehman presented the Board with his request to lease 10 permanent parking spaces in the municipal lot. He explained that he wanted the spots to make the property he was renovating at 5 Chestnut Street successful and help secure a tenant. There was much discussion regarding where the spots might be located, fair market value,

when they might be needed and how it might affect other Village businesses. Discussion continued with parking limitations, how the spots were sold, how the permanent spots might be marked and the consequences for unauthorized parking. Discussion continued with the possibility of signs and towing. *The Board requested more time to review. Mr. Lehman was asked to return on 10/28/2024.*

LaBella Review:

Rick Bennentt was present to update the Board on the Second and Oak Street project. Superintendent Quinlan was also present to request that the project move forward to the bid phase. There was much discussion regarding debt service for the project, and how to scale it down with DPW doing some of the work, as well as when it might begin. Discussion continued with the Board's frustration regarding the lack of grants, the cost of the project as well as how the Village was to pay for the project. Mr. Bennett explained that it was difficult to know how much the project would cost without requesting bids. Superintendent Quinlan expressed that the plans needed to be completed and bids secured to have a better idea of the cost. Discussion continued with the cost of the project and the engineering fees. Mr. Bennett stated that the engineering expense would not go over contact/budget to complete the plans. *Deputy Mayor Walters moved to authorize the completion of the Second & Oak Streets Plan, that the Village would own, and moving forward with the bid process. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. After much discussion and consideration, the motion passed with ayes from Mayor Ivers, Deputy Mayor Walters, Trustee Hamann-Whitmore, and Trustee Livingston. Trustee Lee voted nay.*

Board Updates/Information:

Fire Department: Trustee Livingston updated the Board that the ladder truck was under repair.

The Fire Department Roster was presented. *Trustee Livingston moved to accept the roster as presented. Deputy Mayor Walter seconded. With no further discussion the roster was accepted with ayes from all.*

Clerk/Treasurer: It is noted that tax collection had been completed and were to be sent to the County for collection. *Deputy Mayor Walters offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption: Whereas the Village of Geneseo hereby requests that the County of Livingston collect certain delinquent Villages taxes for the tax levy of June 2024, and*

Whereas the Village of Geneseo will take no action to recover said unpaid taxes pursuant to Section 1440 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York and no sale on account of said unpaid taxes will be held pursuant to law,

Now therefore it is resolved that the Village of Geneseo officially requests that the County of Livingston collect certain delinquent Village taxes for the tax levy of June 2024 as of October 1, 2024, pursuant to Section 1442 of the New York State Real Property Law.

And it is further resolved that a copy of this resolution, duly certified by the Treasurer of the Village of Geneseo, shall be transmitted forthwith to the Livingston County Treasurer and the Clerk of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded the motion, and it was carried by the following vote: Mayor Ivers – Yay, Deputy Mayor Walters -Yay, Trustee Hamann-Whitmore – Yay, Trustee Lee – Yay, Trustee Livingston – Yay.

Garbage Cans: Trustee Hamann-Whitmore updated the Board that the new garbage cans had arrived. *Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to use ARPA not to exceed \$15,000. to pay for the garbage cans. Deputy Mayor Walters seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed with ayes from all.*

Tree Survey: Trustee Hamann-Whitmore noted that the tree survey was moving forward.

Geneseo Community/Main Street: Trustee Lee reported that DPW had agreed to install the bistro lights.

Adjourn:

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to close the meeting at 7pm. Trustee Livingston seconded. With no further discussion the meeting was closed with ayes from all.

Shawn Forrester, Clerk/Treasurer