Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting July 5, 2016

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Suits at 6:00 PM. Present were Trustees Patrick Clune, Eugene Smith and Ed Finkbeiner, Deputy Clerk Karen Gaebler and Attorney Casullo. Also present Don Ferris, Craig Umbehauer, Police Chief Robert Pitman, Charles Bernheim, Eric Mulvihill, Steve Berry, Bev Berry and Margaret Little-Phillips Free Library

Minutes from June 7, 2016 were approved upon one minor change under Public Comment Period that the village reserved the right for tree replacement, **motion** by Trustee Clune-all aye.

Motion Trustee Smith, - All ayes to pay the following bills:

| General Fund | 310-409 | \$130,248.99 |
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| Water Fund | 100-126 | \$11,524.77 |
| Sewer Fund | 100-126 | \$8,038.50 |
| Capital Projects Fund | | |
| Comm. Dev. Fund | | |

ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:

CEMETERY – report was received as submitted, **motion** to accept by Trustee Clune- **all ayes.** The Mayor mentioned that they have taken a few more trees down. Also, that the lawn is very dry. They will be hiring it out for removing the trees.

CODES – report was received as submitted, **motion** to accept by Trustee Clune - **all ayes.** Mayor Suits did say they are working on the owner of the property on South West Street regarding the lawn. Mayor Suits wants people to remember not to park their vehicles on front lawns of properties.

POLICE – report was received as submitted, **motion** by Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.** Trustee Clune asked about the final cost for the new vehicle. Chief said it will be around \$29,000. Chief did mention that the Army will be arriving on July 10^{th} .

DOGS – report was received as submitted, motion by Trustee Finkbeiner- all ayes

RECREATION – no report was received as submitted.

WATER/SEWER/STREETS– report was received as submitted, **motion** Trustee Smith- **all ayes.** Mayor Suits wanted to mention that the Village of Homer won the water taste test. The streets are still getting patched and paved.

FIRE CHIEF'S – no report was received as submitted,

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Eric Mulvihill wanted to remind the Trustees that there is a VIP for Healthy of Cortland on July 20th. He also asked about the compost hours. The Mayor will speak with Larry Barber regarding the hours and days of the compost site and get those posted on our website.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Trustees have met with Larry Barber and went over the bids that we had received for the Clinton Street Pump Station. They feel that Grant Street Construction is the right one for the job. Trustee Clune feels the \$186,000 is a good price with a local company. Mayor Suits will look at the sewer budget to see what we have in that account, **motion** Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

Mayor Suits did say the job openings are still posted. They will be going over the applications this week.

Trustee Finkbeiner did mention a date for the employee picnic. He is looking at September 10th from Noon-4pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

Phillips Free Library spoke about the summer programs they offer and all of the new things that are happening there.

The new date for meeting with Micro-Enterprise Program is July 20th at 6:00 pm.

We received an application for the Emergency Repair Program for up to \$5,000, **motion** Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

Trustee Finkbeiner said they are getting some comments on the comprehensive plan. He did mention they are not looking to make changes. Just wants to see what has and has not been done on it in the last 3 years.

Trustee Finkbeiner said he is still having some conversation with the Town of Homer regarding merging the DPW.

Mayor Suits said she spoke with someone regarding the wires in front of the fire station. She was told to not touch them.

On motion move into executive session for personnel issues at 6:37 pm by Trustee Smith - all ayes

On motion adjourn executive session at 7:00 pm by Trustee Finkbeiner- all ayes

On motion by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:06 pm – all ayes.

Mayor Genevieve A. Suits Karen A. Gaebler, Village Clerk-Treasurer