

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**June 9, 2020**  
**6:05 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Homer Board of Trustees was held at Town Hall, 31 North Main St., Homer, New York with Mayor McCabe presiding.

Members present:

Mayor, Hal McCabe  
Trustee, Patrick Clune  
Trustee, Edward Finkbeiner  
Trustee, Kevin Slack  
Trustee, Tim Daley

Also, present were: Village Clerk Dan Egnor; Village Treasurer Tanya DiGennaro, Homer Police Chief Robert Pittman; Homer Fire Chief Mahlon Irish Jr.; Newton Waterworks Superintendent Buzz Barber; Village Attorney Dante Armideo; Homer News Reporter Don Ferris; Cortland Voice Reporter Tim Bennett, Chris Burnell, DPW Superintendent Mike Harter, Vince Bellardini, Taylor Bottar, Steven Hayes, Donna Kotas, and Jay Riley

Mayor McCabe called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

On **Motion** by Trustee Clune, Seconded by Slack, the Board approved the Village of Homer Board of Trustees Minutes as written May 12, 2020 – **all ayes**.

On **Motion** by Trustee Finkbeiner, Seconded Trustee Slack to pay the following bills for June 2020 – **all ayes**.

- **F & G Funds – Vouchers 182-99 \$7,562.06**
- **A Fund – Vouchers 235-280 \$90,669.68**

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Animal Control-** Report was received as submitted. Mayor reads the report. On **Motion** by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Slack motioned to accept the report as submitted - **all ayes**

**CEMETERY** – Report was received as submitted. Mayor reads the report. On motion by Trustee Clune, Seconded Slack motioned to accept the report as submitted - **all ayes**.

**CODES** – Report was received as submitted. Mayor reads the report. Trustee Clune noted a lot of projects in quarantine. On motion by Trustee Finkbeiner, Seconded Clune motioned to accept the report as submitted - **all ayes**.

**DPW-** Report was received as submitted. Mayor reads the report. Mayor McCabe noted DPW has done a great job with less than half staff. **Motion** to accept the report as submitted by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Clune - **all ayes**.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** - Report was received as submitted. Trustee Finkbeiner noted the Fire Department put out two fires this month. Mahlon noted the proposed policy for opening the Fire Department to Hal and Pat to review. Chief Mahlon thanked Sinfully Sweet for the fundraiser for the Fire Department as the field days were cancelled. **Motion** to accept the report as submitted by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Slack– **all ayes**.

**POLICE** – Report was received as submitted. Mayor McCabe thanked Chief Pittman for all his help during the protest. **Motion** to accept the report as submitted by Trustee Finkbeiner, Seconded by Clune – **all ayes**.

**WATER & SEWER** – Report was received as submitted. Mayor McCabe noted the meter at Super Cream was fixed. **Motion** to accept the report as submitted. by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner - **all ayes**.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor McCabe discussed the proposed amendment from Barton & Loguidice. **Motion** to Approve Amendment #2 from Barton & Loguidice for a Field Inspection and Review of Newton Water Works Pump Stations by Trustee Finkbeiner, Seconded by Trustee Daley- **all ayes.**

Village Clerk discussed the need for Barton & Loguidice to have an office on site at Newton Water Works for a \$6,000 credit. Motion to establish an office on site for the water and sewer project and put the \$6,000 back into the project by Trustee Clune, Seconded by Trustee Daley- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to approve appointment of Tanya DiGennaro to the Joint Committee on Plan Structure and Design at the Greater Tompkins County Health Consortium by Trustee Finkbeiner, Seconded by Trustee Slack- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to approve appointment of Dan Egnor to Greater Tompkins Health Board as an alternate by Trustee Clune, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to approve appointment of Dan Egnor to the Joint Committee on Plan Structure and Design for the Greater Tompkins Health Board as an alternate by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to approve liability insurance renewal with Baileys Place by Trustee Clune, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to approve EISEP Insurance renewal by Trustee Clune, Seconded by Trustee Slack- **all ayes.**

Mayor McCabe discussed the proposed “Reopen Cortland County Campaign” and the proposed \$1,500 to be sent by the Village of Homer. **Motion** by Trustee Slack to contribute \$1,500 to the “Reopen Cortland County Campaign,” Seconded by Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to Approve rollover funds for Bobcat and auction items by Trustee Finkbeiner, Seconded by Trustee Clune- **all ayes.**

Village Treasurer Digennaro explained the proposed budget adjustments. **Motion** by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Slack- **all ayes.**

Village Treasurer explained the need to open 2 accounts at First National Bank. **Motion** to approve transferring \$300 to Newton Water and Sewer Account and \$300 to Real Property Account at First National Bank of Dryden by Trustee Clune, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

A discussion occurred on whether duplexes should have two garbage cans. **Motion** by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner to provide duplexes with two garbage cans if requested and one recycling bin- **all ayes.**

Discussion ensued on Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) presented by Trustee Finkbeiner. Chapter has been turned in for review. Surveys will be mailed with water/sewer bills.

**Motion** to approve Heather Lellig as Part-Time Cleaner at \$20.40 per hour by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Slack- **all ayes.**

**Motion** to approve Michael Winchell as part-time police officer at \$18.68 per hour by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Clune- **all ayes.**

Motion to approve roads to pave with Chips Funding as presented, except Cherry Street replaces Central Park by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner- **all ayes.**

## **Attorney:**

Title work is back for all Route 11 properties.

## **Comments from Board Members:**

Trustee Finkbeiner noted wanting to hire someone to use a drone to video the river front property.

Trustee Clune thanked residents, employees, volunteers, Mayor McCabe, and everyone else for their help on the protest and stepping up to make it a great event.

On **Motion** by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board entered Executive session at 7:39 P.M.

On **Motion** by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Slack, the Board exited Executive session at 8:26 P.M.

On **Motion** by Trustee Daley, Seconded by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:30 pm– **all ayes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya DiGennaro, Village Treasurer