# **February 2, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

# **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Harter will call the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mayor Harter, Trustee Fuller, Trustee Olejniczak, Trustee Werner Jahrling, Trustee Roach

Board Members Absent: none

Also Present: Clerk Wierzbicki, Treasurer Geller, Attorney Cassidy

Approximate Number in Audience:5

**II. MINUTES**

Motion made by **Trustee Fuller** seconded by **Trustee Werner-Jahrling** to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2022 Regular meeting.

##### **VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

Motion made by **Trustee Fuller** seconded by **Trustee Werner-Jahrling**  to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 Work Session and Special meeting.

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

##### **III. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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1. **Treasurer’s Report**

Motion made by **Trustee Werner Jahrling** seconded by **Trustee Olejniczak** to accept the January Treasurer’s report as submitted.

VOTE: YES 5 NO 0

**2. Payment of Vouchers**

Motion made by **Trustee Fuller** seconded **by Trustee Roach** to approve payment of the vouchers as audited.

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Transfers if needed**

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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Transfers for Fiscal Year 5/31/21- Feb. 2** |  |  | |  |  |  | | **General Fund Expenditures** |  |  | | **Account Description** | **From** | **To** | |  |  |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Election Contractual Services | 1,500.00 |  | | Building Department Supplies |  | 1,000.00 | | Building Department Computer Equip & Services |  | 500.00 | | (Ink & Edmunds Allocation) |  |  | |  |  |  | | Office Building Maintenance | 500.00 |  | | Office Supplies |  | 500.00 | | (Quill various) |  |  | |  |  |  | | Mapes & Seward Property Maintenance | 4,000.00 |  | | Parks Salaries |  | 3,000.00 | | Parks Equipment and Supplies |  | 1,000.00 | | (DPW Allocation and various) |  |  | |  |  |  | | Workmen’s Compensation Expenditures | 1,500.00 |  | | Employer MTA Tax Expenditures |  | 1,500.00 | | (Payroll increases including ARPA, Qtrly over $312k) | |  | |  |  |  | | **Water Fund Expenditures** |  |  | | **Account Description** | **From** | **To** | | Capital Plant Equipment | 100.00 |  | | Plant Operator Salaries |  | 100.00 | | (Glen Arnold 2 hours) |  |  | |  |  |  | | **Sewer Fund Expenditures** |  |  | | **Account Description** | **From** | **To** | | Sewer Line Repairs | 500.00 |  | | Sewer Line Inspections |  | 500.00 | | (Sewer Camera) |  |  | |  |  |  | | Sewer Plant Chemicals | 5,000.00 |  | | Sewer Plant Professional Fees |  | 5,000.00 | | (Engineering Fees H2M & P and D) |  |  | |  |  |

Motion made by **Trustee Werner Jahrling** seconded by **Trustee Olejniczak** to approve the transfers as presented.

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATIONS**

1. Stauber USA sent a notice of compliance regarding discharge.
2. NYSDOH sent notice regarding Watershed Rules Regulations.
3. NYSDOH sent an updated isolation & quarantine guidance notice.
4. H2M sent a letter outlining proposals from meter bids
5. NYSDEC sent a letter regarding continued eligibility in the National Flood Insurance program.
6. The Florida Chamber of Commerce submitted insurance for their ice-skating event.
7. Sterling Bank sent noticed regarding Webster Bank acquisition.
8. NYSDEC sent a letter regarding the WWTP disinfection.
9. Altice sent notice regarding pricing changes.
10. Teamsters Local 445 sent a notice regarding a personnel matter.
11. Orange County Department of Finance sent notice regarding sales tax revenue.
12. Florida Union Free School District sent a fully executed 2022 Sewer contract.
13. Tokio Marine HCC sent a no coverage letter for the damages from Hurricane Ida
14. Orange and Rockland sent a letter regarding road work projects in the area.
15. Orange County Legislative offices sent their 2022 calendar.
16. Schaefer sent information regarding 65-gallon containers.
17. Elias Muhlrad sent annual sprinkler payment for buildings.
18. Barbara Shatwella Association Manager of RJB Community Management sent notice regarding pavement assistance.
19. Altice sent notice of 4th quarter franchise fee in the amount of $13542.00.
20. SUNY Orange sent continuing education postcards for distribution.
21. NYS Department of Environmental Conservation sent a notice regarding Glenmere Lake permit for withdrawal.

**VI. REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES**

**1. Thomas Fuller – Police, Justice, Emergency Management**

**2. Craig Olejniczak – Recreation & Parks, Animal Control, Buildings/Grounds**

**3. Alyssa Jahrling – DPW, Sewer/ Water, Chamber of Commerce**

**4. Matthew Roach – Building & Planning, Historical**

**There was a brief discussion from all Trustees and their status on each department**

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

This opportunity is provided for members of the audience to comment on **any item listed** on the agenda. Please address the Board and limit your comments to five minutes.

**Patty Rotella- What is the Glenmere Preserve purchase**

**Mayor Harter- This is the Rosenberg property. We will explain later tonight.**

**online comment by unknown:**

**Are we going to get a different truck so that the workers don’t have to move the cans?**

**MH As of right now, no.**

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**1. Water Meter Installation Bids**

**Motion to** *reject* **the bid award for water meter installation from in the amount of .**

**Bids received**

**Jorrey Excavating Inc Saks Utility Solutions LLC**

**Middletown NY 10940 Congers, NY**

**$429,925.00 $442,850.00**

**Mayor Harter made a quest for a motion to reject bids. Motion by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

**Trustee Olejniczak requested an explanation regarding the rejection. Wanted a better bid**

1. **UV Disinfection Sewer Plant**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF FLORIDA TO FUND THE UV DISINFECTION PROJECT PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NYS ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION**

**VILLAGE OF FLORIDA VILLAGE BOARD**

**WHEREAS, the Village of Florida submitted a Water Quality Improvement Program (WQIP) funding application on July 29, 2021 requesting grant funding in the amount of $581,760 for the installation of a new UV disinfection system at the Village of Florida Wastewater Treatment Plant; and**

**WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Village of Florida participate in the aforesaid WQIP funding program; and**

**WHEREAS, the WQIP program funds 75% of net eligible project costs for clean water projects such as the installation of a UV disinfection system; and**

**WHEREAS, the Village Mayor is the Chief Fiscal Officer for the Village of Florida and has the authority to make expenditures on behalf of the Village;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:**

**RESOLVED that the Village of Florida authorizes the Village Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and appropriates a minimum 25% of the construction-related costs for the installation of a new UV disinfection system at the Village of Florida Wastewater Treatment Plant. The source of these funds shall be the Village Sewer District Fund and/or bonds should additional financing be necessary. The maximum local contribution shall not exceed $145,440 based upon a total estimated construction cost of $727,200.**

**Type 2 action under SQR**

**Motion by: Trustee Roach**

**Second by: Trustee Olejniczak**

**Ayes: 5**

**Noes: 0**

**3. Labor Relations Retainer**

**Motion to approve the retainment of Goldberger and Kremer at the rate of $235.00 per hour for Personnel legal matters. Motion by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Olejniczak**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Tax Cap Override**

VILLAGE OF FLORIDA

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE INTROductory LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2022,

A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established

in GENERAL, Municipal Law § 3-C

whereas, the Village Board of Trustees wishes to have the ability to override the tax cap in order to meet the financial needs of the Village.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that an introductory Local Law entitled A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C is hereby introduced.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED those copies of the aforesaid introductory local law be laid upon the desk of each member of the Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby declares lead agency and further declares that this action is a “Type II” action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and no further environmental review is required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing shall be held on March 2, 2022 or as soon thereafter as may be heard in the Village of Florida, 33 South Main Street, Florida, New York 10921.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer shall cause to be published public notice in the official newspaper as is required by law.

Motion by: Trustee Werner-Jahrling

Second by: Trustee Roach

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

1. **Budget Public Hearing**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach to hold Budget Public Hearing on April 20, 2022 between the hours of 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM**.

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Mileage Allowance**

**The 2022 mileage allowance has increased one cent to 58.5 cents per mile.**

**Motion made by Trustee Werner Jahrling seconded by Trustee Fuller to approve the mileage allowance to 58.5(prior had clerical error) cents per mile in accordance with the 2022 IRS rate.**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Temporary DPW Employee**

**Motion made by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Fuller to hire Jason Harty as Temporary DPW employee at the rate of $17.14/hour per union contract.**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Chemical Bids**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach to reject all Chemical bids for the water plant scheduled for February 7, 2022. Resubmit for bid. Return bids unopened.**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Glenmere Preserve Acquisition**

**In conjuction with the Town of Warwick for watershed protection**

**Motion by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Fuller to approve proceeding forward with the Town of Warwick to purchase the Glenmere Preserve Property.**

Also approves Attorney Cassidy to negotiate on Village’s behalf

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Reorganizational Meeting**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach to hold Reorganizational Meeting on April 4, 2022 at 7:00 PM.**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Ice Fishing Tournament**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Werner Jahrling to waive the park permit requirement for the Ice Fishing Tournament scheduled for February 5th, 2022 and February 12, 2022. Rain date March 5, 2022**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Meeting Schedule**

February 15, 2022 4:00 – 8:00 PM Grievance and work session

March 2, 2022 9:30 AM Work Session 7:30 PM Regular Meeting

March 16, 2022 9:30 AM Work Session

April 4, 2022 7:00 PM Reorganizational Meeting

April 6, 2022 9:30 AM Work Session 7:30 PM Regular Meeting

April 20, 2022 7:00 PM Budget Public Hearing

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Greg Kimiecik why did we reject bids?**

**MH looking for more options**

**CO a lot of infrastructure work will be required. We wanted more options of experienced workers.**

**PR We are getting another meter**

**MH These are for unmetered homes**

**PR You likely will have no changes in your bill.**

**CO want to make sure when work is complete everyone is happy.**

**Trustee Olejniczak thankful ice rink is getting used, want to remind residents to make sure weather is good. Please remove all personal items and equipment from area. Same goes for Glenmere Park, please beware of the conditions.**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach to adjourn the meeting at \_8:30 \_\_\_ PM.

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**