

Village Board Meeting Minutes – January 17, 2022 at 6:00 PM – Rosendale Municipal Building

Kurt Caramanidis, Village President

Trustees: Larry Crook, Chuck Feldner, Barb Hoch, Tammy Pflum, Julie Stigler & Tricia Yeager

AGENDA ITEM 1 – Call Village Board meeting to order – January 17, 2022 meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Kurt Caramanidis and the following were present at this meeting:

Trustees: Larry Crook, Chuck Feldner, Barb Hoch, Tammy Pflum, Julie Stigler & Tricia Yeager

Staff: Emily Wirkus, Clerk-Treasurer

Citizens: Jerry Fairbank, Liam O’Laire and Mr. O’Laire

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Approve minutes of 12-20-21, as circulated – Motion was made by Trustees Crook/Hoch to approve the 12-20-2021 minutes as circulated. Motion and carried by a 6-0-1 roll call. Trustee Yeager abstained as she was not present at the 12-20-21 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Presentation from Liam O’Laire for a possible Eagle Scout Project at Taylor Park – President Caramanidis introduced and welcomed Liam O’Laire to our meeting. Village President Caramanidis stated he is excited for what he is presenting to the Village. Liam is an Eagle Scout, been in the Scouts for 10 years, and has a project idea that would benefit Taylor Park and his Eagle Scout Project. Liam handed out a pamphlet to everyone and explained his idea for his potential project around the pond at Taylor Park. Liam stated he is a sophomore at Laconia High School and that Taylor Park Pond and the basketball court is an area students hang out after finals. He stated he has noticed there is not place around the pond to sit or set things down. He stated he has an interest in the Taylor Park Pond areas as he has fished with his cousins there in the past. Liam continued his presentation and gave his proposal: installation of two benches bolted into concrete slabs, level off area to pour a 20’ x 15’ concrete slab for a handicap accessible fishing spot, and installation of ADA compliant picnic table next to fishing slab. He mentioned that the projected cost for project would be approximately \$4500, but he would be asking local businesses if they would like to donate to the project. He mentioned that he has a contractor who has an excavator to help dig the area. His handout has his projected timeline of the project. Trustee Stigler is all in favor. Trustee Yeager stated it is a lot of work and timeline is tight. She also mentioned other businesses to ask for donations. Trustee Yeager also asked if the school has funds to donate since the kids use the park/pond area too. Trustee Pflum said wonderful project and hope it would be complete before the Fisheree in June. President Caramanidis stated major accomplishment at a young age and fully supports project. Trustee Hoch said excellent projects and it falls in line with what we have been doing with upgrading Taylor Park. Trustee Feldner asked if the benches would be nailed down. It was mentioned yes, they would be bolted down. Trustee Feldner stated there have been issues in the past with benches getting tossed in the pond so wanted to make sure they would be bolted down. Trustee Crook stated he fully supports project and made motion to approve Liam O’Laire to move forward with his plans. President Caramanidis stated we want to make sure project gets done and fully supports. He also said the timing is great. Liam O’Laire stated that his Scout leader has to approve and will send back to the Board to approve. It was also mentioned that our community is really responsive with community improvement ideas/projects.

Motion was made by Trustees Crook/Pflum to have Liam O’Laire move forward with the project timeline. Motion was carried by a 7-0-0 roll call.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Adopt a Tree Program Update – Trustee Yeager is the Chairperson for the Tree Committee and she mentioned that the Village has their acceptance for Tree City USA. The Board members were given a packet for the Village Cost Share Program for trees. Trustee Yeager explained the packet. She mentioned that the Village can use the same buying guide that FDL County uses, same company, same pricing. It was mentioned that the company will bring the tree to the location and plant it. They will also call diggers hotline prior as well. It was mentioned that the trees in this program have a guarantee of two years. There will be a limit of two trees per resident. It was suggested that the Village will cover 1/3 of the cost – the reason why it is referred to a Cost Share Program. It was mentioned that the deadline to place the order for the trees is March 1, 2022. It was mentioned that if the Village needs to add to order for trees for park to include with this order. It was mentioned that there are grants out there, but projects need to be started first. It was mentioned about a GIS feature to document the trees in the Village. It could be an added “layer” to a GIS program the Public Works Department already has. We would need to find out what the cost would be first before adding that “layer”. It was mentioned that the projects don’t have to be done in 2022 due to budget, but could be potential projects for next year. Trustee Yeager asked Trustee Crook, as he is a member of the Rosendale Lions Club, about the process of using/renting the Lions Brat Wagon for future brat fries for fundraiser opportunity. Trustee Crook said to just ask him and he can mention it at the Lions meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6– Approve checks dated December 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 – Motion was made by Trustees Yeager/Pflum to approve checks dated December 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Motion was carried by a 7-0-0 roll call.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, February 21, 2022 – 211 N. Grant St. at 6:00 pm

AGENDA ITEM 8– Correspondence – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 9– President’s Report – President Caramanidis brought up the 2022 Kids Fisheree. The date we would like for the Fisheree is Saturday, June 4, 2022. We would like to possibly do 2 shifts for fishing and also include something for the adults to do as well ex: bags tournament, human foosball, basketball tournament. It was mentioned to send out a Village email with a survey to see if there would be any interest. It was mentioned to ask the LYBC if they would be interested in running a tournament if that was chosen to do that day. President Caramanidis mentioned he could talk to Enie Halfman regarding details of the human foosball and President Caramanidis mentioned he will talk to Nathan Wiese regarding running a bags tournament if that was chosen as an activity that day.

Trustee Yeager mentioned the “Blessing Box” at the Blind Beautician. Just wondering the status for the walking path. The status on the sign for Taylor Park off of S. Main St (Hwy 26) and Taylor Park Street was also mentioned. Village Clerk Emily Wirkus mentioned she can get some more info and prices.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Adjourn the meeting – Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.