Village of Nelsonville, NY Minutes of the July 20th, 2020 Board Meeting

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag at 7:30 pm.

<u>Approval of minutes from June</u> - Minutes from June were corrected and approved – Trustee Pedlosky makes motion, Trustee Mechaley 2nd – all in favor- approved.

<u>Approval of Vouchers for July</u> – Vouchers have been reviewed – Trustee Winward made motion, Trustee Moroney 2nd all in favor – approved.

<u>Approval of G/L Line Item Transfers for 2019/20 year end AUD</u> – Clerk reviews the budget planning process and line item set up. Clerk reviews all of the line item transfers one by one. Trustee Winward motion to approve, Trustee Moroney 2nd – all in favor - approved.

Correspondence:

From Frank Recivuto – Sent letter regarding trees in front of Village Meeting Hall and his home. The Village will check with Kingsley about what might be wrong. Mayor Bowman notes Dave McCarthy has reported some of the pear trees on Pearl St. also in distress.

Robert and Carol Sternau – 45 Bank St. – Sent letter regarding safety concerns on Bank Street from commercial traffic. The Village can look into potential weight limits for commercial traffic, however, Downey Oil has business at end of Bank Street.

Dave McCarthy – Submitted an email in support of the agreement to expand the Nelsonville Woods OSI conservation easement to the Secor Parcel.

Joseph Plummer – Submitted an email in support of the agreement to expand the Nelsonville Woods OSI conservation easement to the Secor Parcel.

Dave Limburg – Submitted an email in support of the agreement to expand the Nelsonville Woods OSI conservation easement to the Secor Parcel.

Tom Campanile – Submitted a letter on behalf of the Boy Scouts to use the Nelsonville Woods for an orienteering course. Trustee Moroney makes motion and Trustee Pedlosky seconds – all in favor. Scouts will use the Trail for their course. Mayor Bowman will let OSI know.

Expansion of OSI Conservation Easement/Secor Parcel - Mayor Bowman reviews the 4 acre property status and the draft agreement that was modified to allow for a public drinking water well to be included in the suggested types of allowable non-commercial community structures that may be built to benefit the Village residents.

Trustee Winward makes motion to allow Mayor Bowman to sign the OSI Agreement, and Trustee Pedlosky seconds the motion. Mayor Bowman takes a roll call. Trustee Moroney votes NO. Trustees Mechaley, Pedlosky, and Winward as well as Mayor Bowman vote YES – Motion passes Four AYE to One NAY. We will contact OSI and sign the agreement.

<u>Community Choice Aggregation</u> – The resolution was discussed to enact and appoint Joule as administrator as the next step in the process to contract for lower cost renewal energy that residents will have the ability to opt out of if they prefer the traditional energy sources. Motion to appoint Joule – Trustee Winward makes motion and Trustee Pedlosky seconds – all in favor – Joule will serve as the Administrator to collect data and present contract options.

<u>5G/Small Cell Local Law</u> - Public hearing to enact the changes in Code – Review of proposed law to regulate the development of small cell infrastructure in the Village. Trustee Pedlosky makes motion accept the SEQRA declaration. Trustee Winward 2nds. Roll Call - all voted AYE – approved.

Motion to adopt the Local Law – Trustee Pedlosky makes motion, Trustee Mechaley seconds – all in favor - approved.

<u>Paving of Bank and Division Streets</u> - Mayor Bowman reviewed of the quotes and meeting with Polhemus to pave Bank and Division Streets. The Clerk spoke to the Engineers at NYS and will have guidance from them with the CHIPS reimbursement process. Two streets will be done this year and them we will move on to other Roads as needed next year.

<u>Update on Village Election</u> – The election will be held in person on September 8, 2020. The Board discussed the possibility of setting up voting outside. The Clerk will confirm with NYCOM if there are any updates. The Village will do everything in its power to make it safe.

Reminder of Leaf Lawn Debris Pick Up – Wednesday August 5, 2020 will be the second pick up day - please have everything ready.

New Business

Mayor Bowman notes that Trustee Moroney did an awesome job managing the improvements on the Village Green park and kiosk with contractor Ken Conley.

Trustee Moroney asks for an update on tree with large limbs down in front of 324 Main St. – NYS Engineer supposed to look at it. Clerk will push for an update.

Mayor Bowman opens meeting to the floor:

Gloria VanTassel –

- Comments about the Secor parcel asks how long the Village has owned the property. She says that three of the Board members should have recused themselves from this vote because they live too closely to the parcel, and that this is just her opinion, and everyone is entitled to their opinion. Discussion ensues about the parcel.
- Also mentions that Greta Graham called about some potholes on Healy Road.
- Sheriffs cars running outside the substation for hours on end. Two hours and 42 minutes. This is bad for our environment. Village will address with the Sheriffs Department.

Alan Potts – Agrees with Gloria Van Tassel

Tom Campanile - Speaks again to thank the Board for staying the Course on the Secor property. His family enjoys the Woods everyday as well as the Scouts. Appreciates the work the Board has done to see this through.

Dave McCarthy – Asks questions regarding 5G/small cell placement.

Heidi Wendel – Speaks about continued work on invasive plant species in the Nelsonville Woods.

Respectfully Submitted August 14, 2020 Mindy Jesek – Village Clerk