

MINUTES
Village of Nelsonville, NY
Regular Board Meeting
January 19, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM with the pledge of allegiance. Mayor Bowman hopes that vaccines will allow us to meet in person again soon.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS Abstract #8 Trustee Moroney makes motion and Trustee Winward seconds - all in favor.

Mayor Bowman mentions that Trustee Mechaley is not present for this meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - - Clerk says that Trustee Pedlosky had given some edits so the corrections have been made and these should be fine now. Trustee Pedlosky makes motion Trustee Moroney seconds. All in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Clerk - December Balance was \$ 235,855.27 I deposited 8,123.13 abstract #8=13,784.08 Payroll #1=4653.16 total expenses \$ 18437.24 total checking = 225,541.16 and savings = 132,001.44 total balance for January \$ 357,542.60

Trustee Winward asked how the current budget is doing compared to the approved budget forecast. Mayor Bowman instructs the clerk to report on the budget in more detail for the upcoming meetings because the budget process will be starting.

CORRESPONDENCE -

Mayor Bowman - got a call from OSI about the lean-to structure that was built in the Nelsonville woods. The report came from resident Ethan Timm. Mayor Bowman presented pictures and explained that it has since been broken down. He asks everyone to keep their eyes open for other man-made structures in the woods.. He has alerted the Sheriff's department.

ELECTION DAY RESOLUTION - Appoint election inspectors.... Need motion to appoint Greta Graham, Judy Meyer, and Gloria VanTassel as Election Inspectors.

WHEREAS, the intent of the Election Law and of this Board is to enable all qualified persons to vote in the general election of the Village of Nelsonville, which will be held at the Municipal Building, 258 Main Street, Pearl Street entrance, on **Tuesday March 16th**, between the hours of Noon and 9pm; and,

WHEREAS, a Registration Day is required to accomplish this action; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Registration Day will be held for the

Village of Nelsonville's General Election as follows; **Saturday March 6th**, Noon to 5pm, at the Municipal Building, 258 Main Street, Pearl Street entrance.

I, **Mindy Jeseck**, the duly qualified and acting Village Clerk of the Village of Nelsonville, Putnam County, New York do hereby certify that the above hereto is a true and correct copy of an extract from the minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Nelsonville held on Tuesday January 19, 2021 and that the resolution set forth herein is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Village Board of said Village adopted at said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that pursuant to section 103 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Town, 20 day of January, 2021

Trustee Moroney makes motion to accept the election day resolution. Trustee Winward seconds. All in favor. Mayor Bowman makes a motion to appoint Gloria VanTassel, Judy Meyer and Greta Graham as election inspectors, if they would like to undertake the duty again. Trustee Winward seconds and all in favor.

Mayor Bowman thanks Trustees Pedlosky and Mechaley who will not be running for reelection this cycle.

NEW BUSINESS - Mayor Bowman reports on the meeting with the Putnam County Sheriff's department that he and Trustee Winward had regarding the lease renewal.

Trustee Pedlosky asked if a clause can be added to require notification of any remodeling work they commence on the building. Mayor Bowman says that this clause exists in the contract now, but they just don't keep the Village informed. They've made lots of building improvements already. Trustee Winward noted that she asked the Sheriff's Representative about the idling of the patrol vehicles which has disturbed nearby residents. They explained that the fleet has an automatic shut off of its emissions, even while idling. It's on their radar to pay attention to this.

OLD BUSINESS - **Jeff Domanski** - Community Choice Aggregation update - The good news is that Nelsonville should be able to join the program this Summer. They will host another Public meeting on February 11th to answer any questions and concerns that residents may have.

Village Green discussion - Mary Rice, discussed lighting and possibilities for the Village green. Mayor Bowman will contact Central Hudson to have a site meeting at the park arranged.

Short term Rental Law - Trustee Winward and Mayor Bowman review some of the points in the Short term Rental legislation that is being worked on. Hoped to have the draft done for the

meeting, but there have been delays working with Village counsel. Trustee Winward is trying to move the draft process forward as quickly as possible .

Open to the floor.....

Heidi Wendel - discusses the tubes in the Nature preserve. New ideas for protecting the plants from the deer. Trying to have a plant nursery to raise trees near a natural water source so we can raise the saplings safely. Heidi Wendel expresses her dismay with the Village is unwilling to use tubes for the remainder of the Witch Hazel plants. There these new tubes aren't unappealing. Trustee Winward thanks Heidi for all the good work she's done in the preserve and suggested signage on the trail to explain why the tubes are needed to protect the new tree saplings. Trustee Pedlosky expresses the opinion that the mesh tubes are much preferable to the blue plastic ones being used. Resident Gloria VanTassel says she likes the mesh tubes - they are fine. This discussion will continue.