

VILLAGE OF RICHMONDVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING

October 28, 2024

Board Members in Attendance –Trustee Hyatt; Trustee Davis, Trustee Miller, Trustee Jackson, Mayor Warner Jr

Departments in Attendance – Clerk-Treasurer Hope Bayes, Building Code Enforcement Officer Jesse Wilcox, RPL Superintendent Tim Smith, Fire Floyd Seals

Absent – DPW Superintendent Eric Jones

Others in Attendance – Becky Turk, Phil Butler, Chris English

Call to Order – Mayor Warner Jr. opened the regular Board meeting at 5:00 pm with a Pledge of Allegiance.

Privilege of the Floor – None

Adoption of Minutes –

A motion was made by Trustee Hyatt to approve the minutes of August 20, September 16, September 19, and October 18,2024, seconded by Trustee Davis; motion carried unanimously

Resolutions - None

Department Reports

Fire Chief Floyd Seales – reviewed his written report, with no further discussion, this report was acknowledged.

Hope Bayes reviewed her written report, A motion was offered by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee Miller; Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Bayes asked for a budget modification to cover expenses

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DPW Superintendent Jones reviewed his written report, a motion was offered by Trustee Miller and seconded by Trustee Hyatt; Motion carried unanimously.

RPL Superintendent Smith reviewed his written report, a motion was offered by Trustee Hyatt and seconded by Trustee Jackson. Motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement Officer Wilcox – reviewed his written report. With no further discussion, this report was acknowledged.

Committee Reports - Planning Board report was acknowledged

Mayor's Report - Mayor Warner Jr. discussed how he made the fire contracts for the district. After discussion of how the budget was made and the amounts for the towns of Richmondville and Seward, a motion was made by Trustee Hyatt for the approval of the contracts and seconded by Trustee Davis, Motion carried unanimously

New Business the request for a new backhoe for the DPW department has been tabled. The plans for the water/sewer estimated billing are being worked on with a plan to replace meters. Superintendent Smith will be reaching out to PLM to discuss our options on the substation upgrade. The board has asked how a DPA works and if we have a process in place, Clerk Bayes has stated that yes there is a process in place with rules that we follow by the PSC. There was a power issue on Ploss road with a resident, the board has advised superintendent Smith to call the customer, and they should file a claim with their homeowner's insurance for any property damage caused by the power outage.

Old Business The board has asked for a copy of the AUD and MUEA report that was filled this year, Clerk Bayes stated it would be in their mailbox the following morning. The board has asked Clerk Bayes to start the process of using NYCLASS for our investments in monies. The lead pipe submittal is on track and looks good. The valve at the pond is broken and superintendent Jones is working on replacing the valve and getting estimates on to buy new or to repair. The board has tabled the discussion on raising our water/sewer rates. Mayor Warner Jr stated that he has not contacted attorney Crums office to get a update on the land that was surveyed and he will do so. The PSC rate case has been tabled until the mayor can reach out and get us in the queue. Clerk Bayes has given the names of interested candidates to fill the vacant attorney position to the mayor and he will call them to work out the details of employment. Superintendent Smith stated that he has been busy with summer work and will resume the electric meter testing and will give the board an update. A motion was made by Trustee Miller to use the ARPA money to fund the following projects; purchase USA software, purchase a camera for the substation, then use remaining funds on the purchase of water meters upgrades seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Motion carried unanimously.

Audit of Bills On the motion of Trustee Miller seconded by Trustee Jackson, it was unanimously resolved to authorize payment of the audited bills.

With no further discussion, a motion was offered by Trustee Hyatt and seconded by Trustee Miller; it was unanimously resolved to close the Regular Board meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Executive Session

At 6:49 p.m., Visitors were excused, and the Board members entered the executive session to discuss personal issues.

On the motion of Trustee Davis. and seconded by Trustee Miller, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the Executive session at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hope Bayes
Clerk-Treasurer