Meeting Minutes March 22, 2021

At a scheduled public hearing of the board of Trustees of the Village of Port Byron held in the municipal building at 7:02PM, the following people were present:

Mayor: Ronald Wilson Trustee: Jeff Emerson

 Trustee: Mary Jump

 Trustee: Jeff Girvin

 Trustee: Pat Fenton

Village Clerk: Sandy Hall

Mayor Wilson communicated that there will be a funeral held on Wednesday, March 24 for Grennell, a veteran who died. The village street will be blocked off while they come through on Tuesday March 23rd to bring Grennell to the funeral home.

Mayor Wilson communicated that OIC Kalet did an outstanding job on the police reform. Mayor Wilson asked with the board’s approval to sign the appendix B to certify and adapt the police reform. Mayor Wilson stated that it was advertised and put out there if any resident wanted to comment on it.

First motion to certify and adapt the police reform made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Jump.

Trustee Girvin asked if any changes need to be made with the police reform, would it be brought back to the board. Trustee Emerson stated that yes, if OIC Kalet gets any changes back, she will let the board know. Trustee Fenton stated that he is opposed to having a police reform in a small community that it is unnecessary. Trustee Fenton communicated that he would vote yes to pass it, but he is opposed to having one, we did not have a choice to do this.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson moved onto the Williamson Law Book Contract for the water/sewer software. This needs to be signed to renew the $1088.00 contract that will be effective 4/1/2021 to 3/31/2022.

Motion to accept and sign the 4/1/2021 to 3/31/2022 contract with Williamson Law Book Company for the Annual Software Support Contract made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Jump.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson moved onto Koester contract. Mayor Wilson stated that another company bought them. Mayor Wilson communicated that the Koester deal has been sorted out and they took off $1000 from previous bills.

First motion to sign Koester contract made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Emerson.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson communicated that another Koester contract is for the annual contract for $2285.19. Mayor Wilson communicated that this contract, they do everything, and the amount has not changed from last year.

First motion to sign the annual Koester contract made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Jump.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson moved onto the clock maintenance. Mayor Wilson stated that the clock has been worked on. Mayor Wilson communicated that a guy called saying that the clock does not work and that he used to work for Verdin. Mayor Wilson said that this guy works for himself and he would be cheaper than Verdin. Mayor Wilson stated that if we went with the 2 calls, it would be $650, and this would cover parts/laborer and you would also get 10% discount, which would mean we would get another call in the fall. Mayor Wilson communicated that if we only went with the 1 call, this would not cover parts.

First motion to sign the contract for 2 calls on clock maintenance made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Emerson.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson moved onto the agreement between Transportation project for Cayuga County INC. Mayor Wilson communicated that we usually do the same every year for about $700.

First motion to sign contract with Transportation project for Cayuga County INC for $700 made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Emerson.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson communicated that Shane Bunce came in and wants to be hired for garbage truck. Mayor Wilson said that they needed someone to fill in while 2 of the guys are out and to also fill in when needed. Mayor Wilson said that we would hire him at 16/hr.

First motion to hire Shane Bunce for garbage truck made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Emerson.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson communicated that CEO Tanner will be done April 1st. Mayor Wilson stated that we had an application come in, but it just said his Kentucky work, and nothing said that he had any certification for codes. Mayor Wilson said that he was very skeptical about calling him with no certification. Mayor Wilson communicated that a guy came in asked about the job but would not leave his name or any information. Mayor Wilson said that he spoke with Foster and that Foster turned down Weedsport. Foster said that he will do both fire & codes. Mayor Wilson communicated that if the building goes in, we will need to work with him, we cannot give him a salary and then cut back after building goes in. Mayor Wilson stated that we need a code Enforcer by April 1st, if we can or have someone ready to go. Trustee Emerson asked if we could hire someone on a one-year contractual agreement. Mayor Wilson communicated that it is only a one-year appointment.

First motion to hire Kevin Foster as code enforcer made by Trustee Emerson.

Second motion made by Trustee Jump.

All in favor: 4-1

Trustee Girvin voted no

Mayor Wilson communicated that we received the $17200 check for the fire truck from the auction. Trustee Girvin wanted to know where we put it. Mayor Wilson stated that it went into the general equipment account.

First motion to have public hearing on the budget on April 12th made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Emerson.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson communicated that some additional changes were made on the salary. Mayor Wilson said that Ashley was hired for 20 hours, not 40 hours. Mayor Wilson stated that Sims’s salary has changed.

Mayor Wilson asked if Orchard should be raised to $17 or leave at $16. Trustee Emerson stated that we should leave him at 16 an hr. because he has not been with us for a year. Mayor Wilson stated that Randy Applebee should be raised to $17, he is more valuable. Mayor Wilson said that for the police, the shift differential would have been a headache for Ashley to do for payroll. OIC Kalet would be raised to $25 and the officers would be $22.50. Mayor Wilson said that Stephen Applebee has been here for over 20 years, we should raise him from 19 to $20.55. Mayor Wilson also stated that Adam should get $1 an hour raise; he is doing a job good. Mayor Wilson communicated that himself and the Trustee’s would be left the same. Mayor Wilson stated that the clerk & treasurer would go by the budget schedule. Mayor Wilson communicated that the cut back on chips hurt, did not get what we were supposed to.

Mayor Wilson communicated that we need to have a public hearing on a preliminary budget. Trustee Emerson stated that he thinks that we are spending taxpayer’s money wisely. Trustee Emerson stated that it helps that we got the bob cat and the lawn mower.

First motion to adapt this budget as a preliminary and salary made by Trustee Girvin.

Second motion made by Trustee Fenton.

All in favor: 5-0

Mayor Wilson asked if there is anything else to add. Trustee Fenton asked when the street sweeping week will be. Mayor Wilson communicated that it will be in the newsletter that will be going out with the water bills.

First motion to adjourn the scheduled board meeting on March 22, 2021 made by Trustee Emerson.

Second motion made by Trustee Fenton.

All in favor: 5-0

Adjourned at 8:15 PM

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