

# Minutes

## Village Board of Trustees

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

A meeting of the Village of Horseheads Board of Trustees was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Those present were:

<u>Village Board and Staff</u>	
Mayor Rob Maloney Trustee Pat Gross Trustee Bill Goodwin Trustee Mike Skroskznik Trustee Mark Cronin Village Manager Nate Nagle	Village Atty. John Groff Clerk-Treasurer Donna Dawson Manager's Assistant Rachel Baer
<u>Others Present</u>	
Wayne Brubaker, Gardner Rd. Dave Padgett, W. Franklin St. Rick Milazzo, S. Main St. Donald Kraft, Elmira Kelley Maloney, Westlake St.	Marilyn Mullaney, Gardner Rd. Dawn Bush, Thorne St. Michelle Jones, Latta Brook Rd. Marge Butler, Grand Central Ave.

Resolution by Trustee Gross, seconded by Trustee Goodwin

BE IT RESOLVED, that the reading of the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meetings of February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be dispensed with and the same stand approved as entered by the Clerk.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Maloney	Aye
Trustee Gross	Aye
Trustee Goodwin	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye
Trustee Cronin	Aye

Discussion: NYSDOT Shared Services Agreement Renewal

Atty. Groff - we have had an agreement with NYSDOT for years. It is an agreement that makes their resources available to us in time of need, and vice versa. Former value cap was 10k. Proposed cap is 25k. Helps both of us without a lot of formalities, and without the governor declaring a state of emergency. In the event of snow storms, salt not available, no blacktop, etc. If equipment we use is damaged then we are responsible, and vice versa. One issue is the indemnity. Their language is not balanced. So I have sent a letter to NYSDOT regarding this matter. Should be neutral. According to matt Mustico this agreement has never been utilized in the past. Haven't had a need. But if the

need arises we should be prepared. Resolution for action on this will be on the 3/28 agenda.

### Manager's Report

Manager Nagle - hiring new police officer - William Keefe - will start on Monday. He joins police academy April 8 for four months. No cost to us because we provide instructors. He would be replacing a recently retired officer. Financial piece is in place

MEGA presentation. Spoke with several municipalities. We did join the mega CCA for the renewable rate. Now we start planning the public education portion. Residents can opt out during any time during the 24 mos. with no termination fee.

Sister city visit is 3/19-3/26.

St. Patrick's parade is this Saturday

Water main break today by Center St. school. Repair was done by 8:30am.

No update on Empire Cable yet.

Hotel by Friendly's came in and paid another building permit fee of 34k. This goes for another year.

Chief Stickler reports that planning for Woodstock 50 is underway. State troopers bringing in 600-800 more officers. Will affect the Village. We will have several officers on around the clock for this .

Monday we are meeting with funeral directors to discuss funeral trends. So that on the 28<sup>th</sup> we can talk about cemeteries.

Wednesday we are invited to meet with County Exec regarding shared services. Town of Hhds is also invited. Next week I will have more info.

### Audience Participation

Deb Lynch - with Don Craft who ran in the last election. He's President of Southern Tier Trade Union. Want to talk about the pool. Don is here to make an offer.

Don Craft - One of our initiatives is to get into our communities and give back. If the Thorne St. pool needs repair we are volunteering to make sure the pool gets opened. We worked on the playground for Finn Academy. We offer our services to the Village.

Michele Jones, Lattabrook - I would like to see a dog park. Are there any further discussions on this. Also the traffic on S. Main St. is not stopping for students crossing. Every morning at Mill St., Steuben St., Orchard St. I see students standing at the crosswalks prepared to cross and cars are supposed to stop but don't.

Dawn Bush, Thorne St. - on the budget, none of the discussion was on keeping tax rates down. That concerns me. You talk about purchasing a bucket truck, etc. to change out lights, etc. How often does this happen. Police Budget overtime for bike patrols. Does it have to be done as an overtime expense. Can't it be part of the regular shifts. Also Trustees raises. How many hours do you put in. Used to have discussions on part time manager. Now the budget proposes a full time manager and an assistant manager.

Discussion: Budget Transfers

List of transfers in your packets. Review these. They will be on the agenda on 3/28.

BOT, Department Head Updates

Nate Nagle - parks dept working on parade and transitions to summer activities.

Trustee Goodwin - attended MEGA webinar.

Trustee Gross - attended MEGA webinar, and Hazard Mitigation meeting.

Trustee Skroskznik - Great job by DPW fixing water main break today. Great job on the budget.

Trustee Cronin - attended MEGA webinar, and youth advisory board dinner.

Continued Budget Review

The board continued its review of budget matters.

As there was nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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