

Village of Gowanda  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2022

The Village of Gowanda Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Mayor Smith at 6 PM.

Present: Mayor David Smith, Trustee Paul Zimmermann, Trustee Peter Sisti, Trustee Wanda Koch, Trustee Carol Sheibley

Employees: Clerk Danielle Wagner, Treasurer Traci Hopkins, Attorney Deb Chadsey, Water Supervisor Kirk Trumppore, WWTP Supervisor Andy Carrier, Highway Brent Bogardus, Code Enforcement Gary Brecker, Interim OIC Ben Shields

Public: Jack Broyles, David Yezek, Phil Palen, The Shaw Family

#### **Agenda and Minutes**

**Motion 5-227**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the agenda for the May 10, 2022 board meeting. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-228**-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2022 board meeting. Motion carried.

#### **Agenda Changes**

Lemonade Stand permit was moved up in the agenda as well as the Police section.

Seth Shaw, a Gowanda Central School student, is raising money to help the Gowanda Ambulance purchase some equipment, a Lucas Device and an EZ-IO machine. He will have a lemonade stand in front McCormack's Saturday June 11, June 27, August 13 and August 27. All proceeds will be donated to the Gowanda Ambulance. The Village Board donated some cups, napkins and lemonade mix to help.

**Motion 5-229**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the lemonade stand permit. Motion carried.

#### **Police**-Interim OIC Ben Shields

Mayor Smith swore in Brandon Newell, who was appointed at the March 8, 2022 Board meeting and Mark Ondus, new appointed Patrolmen.

**Motion 5-230**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to appoint Mike Cooper as part time patrol officer. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-231**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to reappoint Dennis Feldmann as part time patrol officer. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-232**-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Koch to appoint Mark Ondus as part time patrol officer. Motion carried.

#### **Public Participation**

Jack Broyles-Any action by the Village should be discussed and a good idea the Village is hiring retired troopers.

### **Mayor Updates**

- Tribute to local veteran at the Hollywood Theater on April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Community Clean up on April 23<sup>rd</sup>-Mayor Smith thanked everyone
- Trash Pick up on April 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>-39.7 tons was picked up by MRC.
- Arbor Day-Mayor Smith proclaimed April 29, 2022 as Arbor Day.
- Cattaraugus County Health Board meeting was on May 4<sup>th</sup>.
- WWTP Capital Project update-a meeting is planned for May 25<sup>th</sup>
- Mayor upcoming schedule-Mayor Smith will be having back surgery on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **Correspondence**

- Erie County Legislature John Mills-Erie County Storefront Revitalization Program
- Clean Water State Revolving Fund Water Infrastructure (WIIA) Grant Denial

### **Official Business**

#### **Mayor/Board of Trustees**

The Village received a termination of water service notice from the Town of Perrysburg.

**Motion 5-233**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to accept the Town of Perrysburg Water Service Termination Notice. Motion carried.

#### **Highway-Brent Bogardus**

**Motion 5-234**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to appoint Colton Clareus as the Highway Equipment Operator/Laborer Effective May 16, 2022. Motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Gary Denea has submitted his notice of retirement.

**Motion 5-235**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded with regrets by Trustee Sheibley to accept the retirement of Gary Denea effective August 12, 2022. Motion carried.

#### **Water-Kirk Trumpane**

A water hearing was held on April 27 for the leak forgiveness program. A recommendation was presented to the board for approval.

**Motion 5-236**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the water hearing recommendation. Motion carried.

#### **Clerk-Danielle Wagner**

**Motion 5-237**-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the Tribute to the Happening Bike Parade for the Hollywood Theater and Gowanda Harley on June 3, 2022. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-238**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the Yoga in the Park event application for the New Me Massage and Yoga studio for Sundays and Thursdays in June at Creekside or Gateway Park. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-239**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the Event application for Kinship Cares meet the lawyer night-a support group by Catholic Charites on May 24 at Gateway Park from 5:30-7:30. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-240**-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to appoint the Clerk as the tax collector for the 2022-2023 Village taxes. Motion carried.

**Motion 5-241**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the 2022-2023 Tax Collators Warrant. Motion carried.

**Treasurer-Traci Hopkins**

There was some damage done to Gateway Park when someone drove through it, a claim was filed through that person's insurance.

**Motion 5-242**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to accept the insurance proceeds of \$1500.00 and move to the General Repair Reserve account. Motion carried.

The Bond Resolution for the \$326,000.00 for the purchase of the new Fire Pumper Truck was presented to the board for approval.

**Motion 5-243**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to adopt the resolution to authorize Fire Pumper Truck Financing. Motion carried.

As discussed in the work session the board needs to official designate the funds from the Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

**Motion 5-244**-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to approve the authorization to apply \$60,000 of local fiscal recovery funds towards the Fire Truck purchase with the remaining balance to water/sewer infrastructure. Motion carried.

Per the PRP negotiations-a projected budget 2022-2023 was developed for the Peter Cooper operating and maintenance. Approval is needed to transfer \$309,374.59 from the trust to an interest-bearing account until the funds are moved back to the trust for reimbursement annually.

**Motion 5-245**-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded Trustee Sisti to approve the Peter Cooper Trust Fund Transfer Authorization. Motion carried.

A letter was drafted for the Town of Persia for the outstanding Fire protection contract payment.

**Motion 5-246**-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Koch to approve the letter for the Town of Persia outstanding fire protection payment. Motion carried.

A draft letter was prepared to send to the Town of Persia along with the draft water/sewer agreement that the Village has previously sent.

**Motion 5-247**-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the draft letter for the water/sewer agreement for the Town of Persia. Motion carried.

Budget Modification request #9 for the General, Water and Sewer Fund was provided to the board.

**Motion 5-248**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve Budget Modification request #9. Motion carried.

Abstract Bills to pay #12 was provided to the board for approval.

**Motion 2-249**-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the abstract bills to pay General Fund \$359,822.90, Water Fund \$56,152.68 and Sewer fund \$30,711.81. Motion carried.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be June 14, 2022 at 6 PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Danielle Wagner  
Clerk