

**Village of Tannersville**

**Date**

**January 09, 2023**

**Time**

6:00 PM

**Location**

Tannersville Village Hall

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**Present:** Lee McGunnigle, Mayor  
Gregory Landers, Trustee  
David Kashman, Trustee  
John Gallagher, Trustee  
Kimberly Thompson, Trustee

**Type of meeting:** Regular Board Meeting

Robin Dumont, Village Clerk-  
Treasurer

Absent:

**Also Present:** Stephanie Streich, George Bain, Mary  
Sue Timpson, John Michele, Carolyn  
Riggs

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***Minutes:***

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The Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The mayor opened privilege of the floor.

John Michele asked about a short term rental law. He was concerned about the AirBnB's around his house on Spruce Street. The Mayor replied that this was one of the items on the agenda this evening.

Mr. Michele also stated that he was concerned about the speeding on Spruce Street. Asked if we could get more speed limit signs or ask the police to enforce more. The board stated they would look into it and speak with Steve about signage.

Mary Sue Timpson asked if we could get the parking at the pickleball courts plowed. Many people are using the bike path. Trustee Kashman stated he would speak with Steve about this. Ms. Timpson stated it should be plowed.

Ms. Timpson also asked about when they would be getting a new water main on Spruce Street. The Mayor stated when we had the last break just outside of the village line, a section of pipe was removed and is available at the shop for inspection. The engineers did not feel we needed a new main on Spruce despite the age.

Mr. Michele also stated that he felt the PH was too high with the water. The Mayor stated that he will refer this to Joe Myers as he is our chief operator and does all of the testing. Mr. Michele also stated that the water has been brown a lot and wanted to know why. The Mayor asked when he was referencing as we have not received complaints in a few months. Mr. Michele clarified that it was about 5 years ago. The Mayor stated to please let the office know at any time or contact Joe directly.

## **Vouchers/Abstracts/Reports**

Trustee Kashman made a motion to approve the vouchers from December and January. Trustee Gallagher seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

## **Reports:**

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Taxes sent to County for Collection: \$62,695.26 Interest \$5,015.63 Approximately \$36,000 of which is delinquent water on Village Taxes

Town Water Bills sent to County For Collection: \$35,565.83 Interest \$3,107.36

Grants Update: C1000972 Proceeding with closeout and final reimbursement from DOS.

C1001671 – final bid documents under review with DOS, and will going out to bid soon for park work at upperside of the lake.

Water Grant – working on closeout with Jason, finalizing list of items to be completed – Sunview tower, 4 hydrants on transmission line.

### **Water Department Non Grant**

Continuing to update inventory for new parts received

Located curb boxes for 4 homes on Park Lane and Spring Street

Shut off water at Helmreich House and repaired curb box

Shut off water at 106 Park Lane

Shut off water at 148 Park Lane

Working on piping for Sunview Tower, cleaning out tower and distribution line in preparation for start up next week.

Turn on water at Former Hoagland House

4 Dig Safe markouts

Service Call at Par 4 Drive for Fromer new house. Contractor did not have line properly connected and came loose. After Curb box. Billable labor and needed parts their plumber did not have.

Service Call 2 days to Millenium Building – Tapped new line for Radcliffes, low pressure internal or on old service line. Billable time and materials. Found 2 former foundations owner not aware of.

Winterized boathouse and pavilion.

### **Highway Report (Via email)**

Here is just some of stuff to pass on the board please.

\* Winter has been nasty with us so far by giving nuisance snow, ice and even rain. This been a challenge with clearing and and removing especially the sidewalks. We have made repairs to the equipment and believe to be ready for the next storm.

\* We continue to do preventive maintenance on our equipment as well as our roads and drainage. Part of this has been preparing for future projects, especially the Railroad Ave stream work and what we will need to do after they are done.

I apologize for a short report, if you need more please call me at anytime.

Mr. Michele asked about the potholes and bridge on Spruce Street. Stated it felt like it was sinking more.

The Mayor stated that we are looking into grants for that project, as far as the potholes he will refer to Steve for cold patching until the spring.

#### **Draft Short Term Rental Laws for Review**

The Mayor stated that in everyone's packets there are sample short term laws from other communities. The draft Village Law is based on a combination of Jewett and Lexington's. We have also included the Town of Hunter's most recent draft law.

Trustee Gallagher stated that he likes the towns, but would like to look into the insurance amounts they proposed. We should have that in our draft.

Trustee Kashman stated that he spoke with Carl and Jewett tweaked theirs recently and he was available to answer any questions if we needed.

The Mayor stated that whatever the Village creates it should be equitable between each entities laws. We are getting constant complaints regarding the quality of life from neighbors who live near the short term rentals. Trustee Thompson stated she was in agreement.

Mr. Michele suggested that the Village reach out to the Shokan regarding their AirBnB law. A coworker at the Sewer Plant is on the board and helped write their law. The Mayor asked the clerk to get a copy of their law and circulate to the board to review.

The Board stated that they would like to work on this law further in a workshop. A workshop meeting was set for January 23 at 3pm.

The Mayor asked if there were any further comments from the board or public.

Village Justice George Bain Jr. Stated he would like to address the board regarding the court. He stated that he understands that their may be a consideration to dissolve the court although there is no formal movement on the agenda this evening. He stated that the Village Court is an essential part of civil life in

the Village and they uphold the laws for the Village of Tannersville. The Village Court addresses matters including traffic infractions, criminal/domestic matters, village laws/zoning violations, civil small claims matters, evictions etc. The Village court is a service of the Village and its more important than dollars and cents. The Village court is the closest thing for the people with regard to home rule. He asked the board to consider all departments in dollars and cents and asked if code enforcement paid for itself. The court is getting back to pre-covid numbers.

The Mayor and board thanked Justice Bain regarding his comments regarding the court.

Being there was no further business, Trustee Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Gallagher seconded. All in favor, motion carried.