

PRESENT: Greg Reuter, Supervisor, Patty Bikowsky, Deputy Supervisor, Brad Dixon, Steve Johnson, and Jim Lundrigan Councilpersons; Roy Kirley, Highway Superintendent; Tina Livermore, Town Clerk and 11 guests.

Supervisor Reuter opened the meeting at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Jim Lundrigan made the motion seconded by Brad Dixon to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Minutes from the April 14 regular meeting were read by Town Clerk, Tina Livermore. One change was made stating that the radiator repair of the grader was \$700, not \$4,000. Patty Bikowsky made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Lake Park Director, Highway Supt. Report, Ambulance & Historian

Amy Coleman, Park Director, gave a report stating that the park is looking good. So far, 8 family reunions, 1 graduation party, 1 celebration of life, and other parties have booked the pavilion. Memorial Day weekend has one birthday party and 1 celebration of life party booked, but the parties have been informed that there will be no lifeguards on duty. Amy said that she will be cleaning next weekend to get the park ready for parties.

Roy Kirley stated that the waterline is broke and needs fixing, he will try and get it fixed for the Memorial Day celebrations.

Amy stated that swimming lessons will take place during July into the first week in August. Seven returning lifeguards in addition to new and younger lifeguards will be on duty this summer. Lifeguards have to be 15 years old. The park will open on June 13. Grades 2, 4, and 5 from MCS will be holding end of the year parties at the lake. The park will be closing on Labor Day. Lifeguards are students from Waterville, Hamilton, and Madison schools.

Greg Reuter asked Amy to submit a list of needed items to him. Amy said that the lake could use some new sand this year.

Roy Kirley, Highway Superintendent, said that the town is still cleaning up trees that are still falling from the storm. He said that 140 feet and 2 culverts have been completed and paving will take place on May 23. He also stated that he has completed work on 5 culverts on other roads. The new Gradeall is getting lots of work. He said that a lack of employees due to various reason is a slight problem at this time.

Greg Reuter, Town Supervisor, reported that sales tax for the county is 16 percent higher this year, thus resulting in increased revenue for the county and towns. He also reported that Delphi Falls State Park is a great place to visit. An amphitheater is under consideration, but that it may conflict with other businesses in the area. He reported that the Town of Eaton is planning a new park next to the elementary school and is hoping to secure grants to pay for the new park.

Diane VanSlyke, Town Historian, gave a report on the research she is conducting, including researching deeds to see if Coolidge owned said property at one time who established the hop kiln on Brandy Rutkowsky property that produced the first commercial hops in NYC in 1817. She also reported that General Erastus Cleveland's house on South Street at one time had a historical marker that is missing. She also told of a plaque donated by Captain Aaron Bliss, Company D Tenth NY Cavalry in the Civil War commission a plaque with Tiffany and gave it to the Bouckville Methodist Church naming 24 men mustered out in 1861 and another 11 men were later added. The plaque is still with the church.

Diane also stated that 30 people picked up 26 bags of trash and other items which the Canal Corp picked up. Several trees have fallen and have been picked up. She said that ATVs have been on the towpath causing damage and is working to try to catch the culprits. The police have said that "no Motorized Vehicle" signs need to be put up for them to do anything and pictures of the offenders need to be taken. Gates have been put up by the Snowmobile Club which can be walked around on the path.

Diane also reported on upcoming events and handed out a written report to the board members.

Darren Ball, Ambulance Director, reported that ambulance calls have been down this month. The county Investigating Committee is changing the dispatch policy from a 3-minute time marker for alerts to 5 minutes. He stated that physicals which test pulmonary functions needed for certification are taking place. The department is using Bassett Health Care in conjunction with Eaton and Georgetown.

Darren reported that the village approved to get rid of the secondary ambulance as a cost benefit. He also reported that AD and heart monitors will be pulled, tested, and returned for annual inspection.

He stated that the secondary ambulance will be used as a toolbox at the July 10 Boil maker. The department will provide coverage at the June 3-5 Antique Show. He stated that 2 EMTs completed class and are waiting to take the state test. The village just hired a part time employee. He also said the policy on transfer's states that town or village residents will be transferred with SOMAC providing coverage when the ambulance is making the transfers and that transfers after hours will be done if staff is available.

Steve Johnson asked if the ambulance can go down to the lake during busy hours when there are many people at the lake to make sure safety protocols are in place.

Unfinished Business: Roy Kirley said all paperwork has been presented to FEMA for the Spillway and Abbert Road projects and is still waiting for reimbursements for the completed projects.

Greg Reuter reported that he has talked to Attorney Getman about a noise ordinance. It is difficult to enforce the ordinance as it is written. He did state that unreasonable noise can be considered disorderly conduct. The Sherriff's department is the only one who can enforce the law. He will continue to look into it.

Pat Kitchen, track owner, said that no one has come to him to complain personally about the noise. He asked that people call him directly and he will work with anyone. He has been working with the codes enforcer and he will work with the Town Board on any complaints so as to satisfy anyone who has complaints.

NBT requested that a motion to make Tina Livermore, Town Clerk eligible to sign checks for the town be made. A motion was made by Jim Lundrigan and seconded by Brad Dixon to do so. Motion carried.

Greg Reuter stated that Jim Taylor, the new Town Justice, has been continuing with his training and that all is going well. However, the county told him that Jim Taylor and Steve Johnson have to run for election in November to fulfill their elected positions they are doing so on the Madison Matters Party.

New Business: Greg Reuter reported that the Memorial Day parade will be held on May 30 at 11 am followed by the Madison Fire Department's chicken barbeque. He is hoping that the Town Board members will participate in the parade.

The new bridge in Solsville will cost \$2.75 million. Work will begin in the spring of 2023. He is asking that one lane be kept open for traffic, but that it is up to the engineering firm. Advanced notice will be published in the area newspapers.

The new permit fees were submitted by the Town Codes Officer. A motion was made by Patty Bikowsky and seconded by Steve Johnson to accept the new fees. Motion carried.

The Lake Moraine Stewardship Program uses volunteers to check boats for invasive species that go in and out of the lake. There is no cost to the taxpayers. A motion to assist was made by Steve Johnson and seconded by Brad Dixon. Motion carried.

Public Presentation: Susan Anderson announced upcoming speakers at the historical society and asked that more people support the programs. Local students will be presenting history on people buried in the Madison Village Cemetery at the May program and Gary Ford will be presenting history of local veterans at the June meeting. The September program will provide an interesting cemetery tour and the October program will feature Matt Urtz, Madison County Historian.

He stated that a policy has to be set up as to how the staff may respond to fire calls based on current certification, training, and capabilities of each person.

He said that the permit for the Memorial Day parade has been filed with the DOT. He also said that equipment will be fit tested and physicals obtained for safety.

He said that his staff has been maximizing reimbursement by follow ups with the hospital for information that is needed to complete reports to submit to insurance companies for reimbursement. He also said the County has a low resource policy that was established and incorporated 2 months ago. The county gives guidance and recommendations with which the department can make its own policy. Darren stated that the department will not refuse any call in which anyone needs assistance and help. The department will take all calls and not refuse a call.

New Business—Patty Bikowsky stated that the town has to adopt a fee schedule. A schedule for solar fees is covered. An application for Green Energy Projects is \$1,000; \$5 per \$1,000 to the total cost of the project. The Codes Enforcer has the list of all fees. Jim Lundrigan made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to accept. Motion carried.

Public—John Thorna from Bouckville asked about a noise ordinance. When the field in Bouckville has shown, the noise goes from 8 pm to 2:30 am. He also stated that heavy equipment runs throughout the night when they are plowing. He said between the races and traffic during the races, all he is asking for is common courtesy. Patty Bikowsky said they will look into what other communities do for noise ordinances. There was also discussion as to mass gather permits being different for motorized events.

He also asked about the Marty Kimball property that was sold to Ray Kirley. The trailer was removed on the property that was less than an acre. He thought there was a time limit as to replacing such a building within 90 days which expired last month. There is septic/power/water on the property.

Susan Anderson asked if the town could help financially with a problem incurred on the Historical Society Building when a side door was replaced. Not only was the wood rotted out on the exterior of the building and the trusses under the sill, but it was discovered there was no supporting beam under the front corner of the kitchen. Patty Bikowsky said she will take it to Greg Reuter and get back to the Society.

Brad Dixon made the motion seconded by Steve Johnson to go into executive session at 7:58. Motion carried. Jim Lundrigan made the motion seconded by Brad Dixon to end executive session at 8:06. Motion carried.

Brad Dixon made the motion seconded by Jim Lundrigan to pay the bills amounting to \$46,825.30 from the general account, \$28,563.99 from the highway account, with a total of \$75,389.29. Motion carried.

Brad Dixon made a motion seconded by Steve Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:27.

Respectfully Submitted
Tina Livermore
Town Clerk