

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon was held at the Avon Village Hall, 74 Genesee Street, Avon, New York on Monday, April 27, 2015.

Present: Thomas Freeman, Mayor
Mark McKeown, Trustee
Timmy Batzel, Trustee
Robert Hayes, Trustee
William Zhe, Trustee

Staff: Christine Quinlan
Chief Gary Benedict, Jr.
John Barrett
Brian Glise

Visitors: Andrea Bailey, Lifting Up Livingston

PARADE UPDATE:

Andrea Bailey from Lifting Up Livingston gave an update on the first annual Livingston County St. Patrick's Day parade. A diverse group of thirty seven units participated in the forty-five minute parade representing each community in Livingston County. Fourteen group's set-up in the Avon Fire Hall from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Local businesses saw an increase in sales. There was no fee to enter the parade and Lifting Up Livingston is still receiving donations. Avon was a great venue particularly as no State roads were involved for the parade route.

Chief Benedict commented that all of his officers are needed to close the intersections, as well as help from the State Troopers and the Sheriff's Department. No incidents were reported.

Andrea Bailey explained that Lifting Up Livingston is a volunteer group who helps the families of children and young adults affected by cancer. The organization is finalizing their 501c(3) tax-exempt status and are looking to hold two fundraisers each year, a golf tournament and a beer/wine tasting.

Trustee McKeown asked how the message can get out that this parade is Lifting Up Livingston's, not just an Avon parade, it's County wide. Andrea believes that advertising is key. Lifting Up Livingston's representation is stronger in some communities than others. Reaching out to clubs such as Lions, Rotary, Kiwanis, schools and municipalities will help, and they will have more time to prepare for 2016's parade.

Mayor Freeman stated that Andrea should work with Chief Benedict if they would like to change the parade route.

The Board heard positive feedback for both the parade and the activities in the Fire Hall. Possibly in future years, Lifting Up Livingston may move the parade to other communities for more visibility and appeal.

The Board agreed unanimously that Lifting Up Livingston can have their 2016 County parade in the Village next year on March 12th.

POLICE UPDATE:

Chief Benedict updated the Board on recent police activities including an underage party and an overdose in the Village.

Chief Benedict will coordinate with the State Troopers and the Sheriff's Department for the 2016 parade.

DPW UPDATE

John Barrett stated that MRB has sent the wastewater treatment plant's project schedule with target dates to NYS DEC.

John Barrett reported that the EPA and NYS DEC pulled split samples at Kraft Foods and our wastewater treatment plant last week. Our sample's results are within parameters.

Phosphorus removal began over the weekend. Testing will be done in-house every day and sent out for testing twice per month.

MRB is still vetting the influent screen bids, and will present their recommendation at our next Village Board meeting on May 4, 2015.

John, Tom Crye and Kurt Rappazo, MRB, walked the east side of Polebridge Road, behind the houses, on the north end. About two-thirds of the fields can be diverted to the north side of Routes 5 & 20. There is an existing 24" box culvert, but another box culvert would be required. John received a preliminary estimate for a 30" casing bore under Routes 5&20 with an estimate of \$350/lf. John estimates the entire project would be approximately \$40,000.

The DPW is picking up brush, hot patching roads and mowing/rolling parks. The Board commented that the Driving Park looks beautiful and the Little League parade went well. The lights at the Water Treatment plant have been upgraded through a National Grid program. The surplus fuel tanks brought \$1800 at the Teitsworth auction. In early May, the skidsteer and the sewer cleaning machine will go to the Palmyra auction. Letters will be delivered to the High St. residents for the upcoming paving and drainage project, as well as to the Wadsworth Ave. residents for the upcoming water extension project.

Part-time summer help returning are Julia Warwick, Sam Cotton, Brandon Teta and TJ Crye.

Trustee Hayes requested the yield to pedestrian signs be put out.

FIRE MARSHALL UPDATE:

Fire Marshall Glise reported that Code Enforcement Officer Cappello, Planning Board Chairman Paul Drozdiel, and himself met with Kurt Rappazo, MRB, and Richard Giraulo, LaDieu Associates to discuss the Avon Commons project. Mayor Freeman suggested the Planning Board review the site plan revisions with recommendations provided to the Village Board.

MINUTES:

Upon a motion made by TrusteeMcKeown, the minutes from the April 13, 2015 Village Board meeting are hereby approved as submitted. Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and it is carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Abstain	
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes

VOUCHERS AND MANUAL CHECKS:

Upon a motion by Trustee McKeownthe following vouchers are approved for payment:

#1	\$44,743.66
#4	\$ 6,151.80
#5	\$ 3,527.11
#6	\$ 11,588.30
#11	\$191,466.28
#17	\$ 2,767.37
#50	\$ 325.00
#57	\$ 4,668.00
#58	\$ 11,447.72
#64	\$ 2,374.81
#76	\$ 22.87
#77	\$ 24,864.35
#93	\$ 1,324.21
TOTAL	\$305,271.48

Manual Checks:

Avon Police Local	Police Union Dues	\$ 660.20
NYS Child Support	Ferrara Child Support	\$ 660.00
Nationwide Retirement Sol.	Deferred Comp.	\$ 1,030.00
	TOTAL:	\$ 2,350.20

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Mayor Thomas Freeman	Voting	Yes
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Trustee Mark McKeown	Voting	Yes
Trustee William Zhe	Voting	Yes
Trustee Robert Hayes	Voting	Yes
Trustee Timmy Batzel	Voting	Yes

TAX WARRANT:

Mayor Freeman read the legal notice for the tax warrant. Upon a motion by Trustee McKeown, the Board approved the tax warrant. Trustee Zhe seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote.

Mayor Thomas Freeman	Voting	Yes
Trustee Mark McKeown	Voting	Yes
Trustee William Zhe	Voting	Yes
Trustee Robert Hayes	Voting	Yes
Trustee Timmy Batzel	Voting	Yes

TRUSTEE'S UPDATE:

Trustee McKeown inquired about the letter received from Marcea and Larry Tetamore seeking permission to tap into the waterline at 5094 Papermill Rd. Treasurer Quinlan will forward this letter to the Town of Avon.

The Board briefly discussed the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer position. The Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. on May 4th to review the applicant's resumes together.

Upon a motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Quinlan, Treasurer