

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon was held in the Whitney Room of the Village Hall, 74 Genesee Street, Avon, New York on Monday, April 18, 2016.

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

Staff: Tony Cappello
Brian Glise
John Barrett
Chris Quinlan
Chief Benedict

Visitors: Conrad Baker- Genesee Sun
Bill Davis-MRB

Mayor Freeman called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., and began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

DPW UPDATE:

Superintendent Barrett was in attendance to update the Board on the following:

- The weather has been good. The crew is taking advantage and have been grinding stumps, restoring topsoil, mowing, and has started collecting brush.
- Superintendent Barrett had a meeting with DOT in 4/14/2016. There was discussion about the closure of Route 39 from July 6, 2016 through August 3, 2016 for the DOT project.
- Superintendent Barrett noted that there is a problem with the sewer line by Woodruff's on Doer Ave. The line keeps collapsing. It can be fixed by running a push machine through the line with polyurethane. He is getting a quote from Steve Morsch for the repair.
- Superintendent Barrett discussed projects for the upcoming year. He wants to work on High Street drainage and getting it paved. He also wants to look at Ross Lane in regards to drainage as well. Mayor Freeman thought it would be a good idea to reach out to the residents on Ross Lane to help come up with ideas. Trustee McKeown asked about the Nursing Home "Pond". There is a lot of standing water up there. Superintendent Barrett thinks he would put in a catch basin to help alleviate the problem. There was also discussion about sidewalks on River Street. It was brought to the Board's attention that the school may be consolidating 4 bus stops on that street to 2. The sidewalks would be needed as a safety precaution for the children who would be walking to these stops.
- Superintendent Barrett said he will make a list of the projects that need to have permissive referendums for the next meeting.
- The Board asked for an update on the acquisition of the dump truck. Superintendent Barrett said that we are just waiting for the thirty day expiration of the permissive referendum.

- WWTP- things are going well. The phosphorous numbers are running between .1 and .2. He also said that the in-house testing and the lab testing were running very close in the numbers.

MRB UPDATE:

Bill Davis was in attendance and gave the Board the following update:

- WWTP- The DEC has approved the plans for improvements! Bill gave the Board a schedule for the bidding process as follows
 1. 5/3/16- advertise for bidding
 2. 5/17/16- Pre-bid meeting to be held at the DPW garage at 9:00am, followed by a tour of the plant.
 3. 5/24/16- Bid opening at 2:00pm to be held at the Village Hall.
 4. 6/6/16- Award of contracts at the Village Board Meeting.

We are looking at a potential start date of July with the completion being sometime in the spring next year. This time frame could change. Bill also made a note that during the bid process, the bidders will need access to the digesters in order to take samples of the sludge.

- We are waiting for comments from the DEC regarding the Sewer Use Laws, which should be coming soon. After the comments are received, they can be finalized.
- The SIU permits were discussed in reference to the allocations for Kraft and Barilla. It was decided that the allocations would remain the same as they were in the draft permit.
- The next priority project is the Lake Road crossing and along Oak Hill. Trustee Batzel recommended that we remember to alert Frank Csapo that there will be work happening on the east side of Oak Openings before he puts in a new driveway for the house that is being built. We don't want to dig up what he paid to have installed. Mayor Freeman responded that Mr. Csapo is ok with the plan.

POLICE UPDATE:

Chief Benedict updated the Board on the following:

- The Chief discussed the speed sign. It is being put together and will be out soon. The Mayor explained that the sign will not only track speed, it will also collect data including traffic patterns, and count cars in order to get a more accurate determination of the traffic in the Village.
- The Chief discussed the training taking place on the force. Officer McFadden has recently completed field training. He is now able to help train new officers on the force. Sergeant Geer has completed an Advanced DWI Detection training.
- The Mayor asked about Officer Bruckel's availability to the Village. The Chief said that the hours will vary. He must stay under 20 hours.
- The Chief says that the department will be heading to the range to get in some spring shooting.
- The Chief asked about ordering new tires for the cars.

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE:

Tony Cappello gave an update on the following:

- The Board discussed with Tony the house on the corner of Prospect Street. Tony said that the resident has been given several chances to take care and clean up the property. He has decided to issue a notice of violation which will result in a court appearance.
- Brian Glise discussed the the possibility of implementing a better records keeping system for building permits. It was discussed that Accela, which is the owner of Springbrook, has a very good program for that, and has spoken to Gerry Paganin about it. Gerry will be in touch with the company to find out information.
- There was a discussion held regarding the sale of sparkling devices in the Village. The Board decided they would table the discussion until such time that we receive an actual request.

MINUTES:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Zhe, the minutes from the April 4th Village Board meeting are hereby approved as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee McKeown, and was carried by the following vote:

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

VOUCHERS AND MANUAL CHECKS:

Upon a motion by Trustee Zhe, the following vouchers and manual checks are approved for payment:

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| #1-GENERAL FUND | \$37823.80 |
| #4-SCHEDULE C | \$5447.81 |
| #5-WATER | \$238.47 |
| #6-SEWER | \$31361.97 |
| #17-TA | \$524.46 |
| #57-CAPITAL | \$ |
| #64-CAPITAL | \$ 81.95 |
| #72-CAPITAL | \$1210.00 |
| #73-CAPITAL | \$3500.00 |
| #76-CAPITAL | \$48246.71 |
| #77-CAPITAL | \$10266.90 |
| #93-CAPITAL | \$ |
| #9-DEBT SERVICE FUND | \$193282.04 |
| TOTAL | \$331984.11 |

Manual Checks:

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| NYS Child Support Proc. Ctr. | Child Support-Ferrara | \$ 660.00 |
| Nationwide Retirement | Deferred Comp. | \$1200.00 |
| Law Enfor. Off. Union | Police Dues- April | \$ 384.88 |
| SEIU 200 United | DPW Dues- April | \$ 301.10 |
| TOTAL: | | \$2545.98 |

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

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

TREASURER’S UPDATE:

Treasurer Quinlan was in attendance and discussed the following:

Annual Budget- The Village Board met in a special budget hearing to discuss the annual budget on April 14th 2016. Proposed monies for all departments were discussed, along with the tax cap, tax levy some contractual accounts and proposed/open capital projects. Revisions were made including the corrected taxable Village assessed value, and the decrease of the Mayor’s salary. The tax cap calculation for the Village defines the tax levy limit at \$1,029,047. The final general budget will remain at the tax rate of \$6.14/1000 still using a projection of \$20,000 from fund balance. The tax levy will decrease by .05% from \$1,028,956 to \$1,028,069.

Upon a motion made by Trustee McKeown and seconded by Trustee Zhe, the budget hearing was closed. The motion was carried by the following vote:

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

Upon a motion made by Trustee McKeown and seconded by Trustee Zhe, the Annual Budget was approved. The motion was carried by the following vote:

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

TRUSTEE’S UPDATE:

- The Board discussed having a neighborhood meeting at one of the board meetings in June. Trustee Zhe will reach out to Kevin Keenan to find out which date he has available in order to include him as a guest speaker.
- The Village Board discussed the date of the public hearing for the proposed moratorium on zoning changes in the Village. The hearing has been set for May 2nd, 2016.
- The Board discussed the GIS Conference which Superintendent Barrett and Lead Water Operator Kirk Vanderbilt requested to attend. The conference cost is \$85.00 per person.

Upon a motion by Trustee Zhe and seconded by Trustee Hayes, the Board approved the GIS Conference attendance request for John and Kirk. The motion was carried by the following vote:

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

- Livingston County revised the map for the Revitalization of Downtown Avon to include the Post Office and the Frontier building located on Prospect Street for future funding projects.

Upon a motion from Trustee Hayes, the Board approved the revised map. The motion was seconded by Trustee McKeown, and was carried by the following vote:

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

Upon a motion made by Trustee Batzel and seconded by Trustee Zhe, the Board entered executive session at 7:35pm, and exited at 8:05pm to discuss personnel issues. The motion was carried by the following vote:

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

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather R. Randall
 Village Clerk

