# VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA MINUTES December 1, 2014

Deputy Mayor Rapasadi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Scott Rapasadi; Trustees Bill Haddad and Jeffrey Carpenter; Village

Administrator Larry Carpenter; Lenox Supervisor John Pinard (7:06 p.m.)

ABSENT: Mayor Carla DeShaw, Trustee Rosanne Warner

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$40,090.03. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$144.82. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the following budget modification: Increase 90108.01 (Employees Retirement) by \$2,039.00; increase 90158.01 (Police and Fire Retirement) by \$12,161.00. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to authorize payment to the NYS and Local Retirement System from the General Fund as follows: \$211,264.38 from the General Fund as follows: \$96,264.38 from 90108.01 (Employees Retirement) and \$115,000.00 from 90158.01 (Police and Fire Retirement). Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to authorize payment to the NYS and Local Retirement System from the Sewer Fund as follows: \$20,683.62 from 90108.02 (Employees Retirement). Passed 3 to 0.

## **Delegations.**

None.

**Discussion regarding technology recommendation from Trustee Haddad to move forward with a better service.** Trustee Haddad would like to make a recommendation to move forward and convert our email, website and email archiving to Digital Towpath. The annual price is \$1,020.00 and there are no set up fees. It will cost between \$50 - \$70 to convert our domain.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to convert our email and records management to Digital Towpath for an annual fee of \$1,020 for email and record management.

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**<u>Discussion</u>**: Administrator Carpenter stated that he tried to send an email to the County with about 20 pictures and it would not go. He asked Trustee Haddad if this move will solve the problem. Trustee Haddad believes that it should solve the problem, but if the file is too big, it still may not be able to be sent. The Board discussed tabling this matter until our next meeting. Passed 3 to 0.

## **Correspondence.**

Copy of Resolution No. 415-14 from the Madison County Board of Supervisors Authorizing Towns, Village and City Municipal Grants that will mitigate the impact of the newly tax exempt status of certain properties owned by the Oneida Indian Nation and located within these municipalities. Supervisor Pinard from the Town of Lenox advised the Board that this is a one-time payment and a new resolution may be adopted every year by the Board of Supervisors, but there is no guarantee that it will occur. Supervisor Pinard spoke with the Board about the discussions that the County had on this matter. The County will be using a large portion of the money that it received from the State to perform maintenance and repair work on many bridges and other infrastructure throughout the County.

### Administrator.

Administrator Carpenter sent an email to the Trustees regarding purchasing a quarter page ad in a cycling magazine. We will share the ad space and the expense with the Canal Town Museum.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Haddad, for the Village to pay \$200.00 for a quarter page ad in the Erie Canal Guidebook. Passed 3 to 0.

Administrator Carpenter updated the Board on the salt brine. We are getting our brine from the Village of Fayetteville. They are providing us with the brine and we will give them an equal amount of salt at the end of the year. It takes 1 ton of salt to make 1000 gallons of brine.

Administrator Carpenter received a request from Chief Zophy for a new part-time police officer, Danielle Deep.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, that we approve Danielle Deep as a new part-time police officer for the recommendation of Chief Zophy. Passed 3 to 0.

### **Trustee Comments.**

Trustee Haddad is all set.

Trustee Carpenter will not be at our meeting on December 15, 2014. He will be out of town.

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Trustee Rapasadi asked about catch basins. Because of the weather, he knows that we cannot continue working on repairing them. Administrator Carpenter stated that during the winter we do work on cleaning them not repairing them. Trustee Rapasadi asked about the pigeon droppings underneath the underpass. The Board talked about this issue and about methods for deterring the pigeons. Administrator Carpenter will get together with DPW Foreman Tornatore to talk about this. Trustee Haddad suggested that we blow out the leaves around the shrubs on the banks of the underpass.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Passed 3 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine C. Williams

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Clerk/Treasurer