

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA  
MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
March 29, 2021

Mayor Warner called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Mayor Rosanne Warner; Trustees Jeffrey Carpenter, Jeffrey Watkins; Bill McDade (via webex) and Douglas Gustin; Village Administrator Jenn Farwell; and Bruce Burke of PAC 99.

ABSENT: None.

Motion by Trustee Watkins, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the following Budget Modification: Increase 3978.01 NYSERDA Grant revenue by \$47,263.00; increase 51824.01.000.47 NYSERDA Grant Expense. (Note: this modification is to accommodate the revenue and expenditure for the ball field lighting project.) Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Gustin, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$66.15. Passed 5 to 0.

Presentation of the 2021-2022 Mayor's Tentative Budget to the Board of Trustees. The Board reviewed the Mayor's Tentative Budget. Mayor Warner advised the Board that it has been proposed at Albany to restore the AIM funding - she is thinking we may be able to add it back in. The Board talked about the status of the phone system and what was happening with the elevator phone.

The Mayor believes that we may have \$6,865.80 in additional potential AIM funding to come from the State. She noted that we could also possibly receive additional money. The Board discussed what to do with the additional AIM funding on the appropriation side of the budget. Putting the money in the contingency line was discussed in anticipation of the two (2) union contracts that are being negotiated. Administrator Farwell noted that she did get a signed contract from CSEA today at 3:00 to be presented at the next meeting. The Mayor noted that it was a very nice negotiation with the CSEA.

The Mayor reviewed the Fire Department budget with Chief Tornatore and the Board. The Board discussed the DPW Budget and the purchase of the requested trucks and how the lease option would work. Mayor Warner talked to the Board about the anticipated money to be received from the stimulus for infrastructure. The Board talked about what to do to the pool to keep the integrity of the structure and equipment if we do not open at this year. The Board spoke about the Town of Lenox and the Recreation program as well as the flower pots, tree removal and the Bond Schedule.

The proposed revenues were reviewed by the Board. They discussed the DPW vehicles to be sold at auction then reviewed the Sewer Budget. The Board discussed the spring house agreement regarding water lines that have to be maintained in Clockville on Quarry Road.

~~The Board reviewed the revenue and expenditures and~~  
premiums. The sewer revenues were also reviewed. Mayor Warner noted that we will need to have more conversations regarding the sewer rates for the residential customers and the industrial sewer rates. The Mayor noted that, like with the General Fund, she did put in \$151,000 for COVID Stimulus in the revenue and appropriations for the Sewer Fund.

Clerk/Treasurer Williams reviewed the Fund Balance Worksheet with the Board. The Board discussed scheduling a public hearing on the budget on April 12, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Gustin, seconded by Trustee Warner, to set the public hearing for the review of the Tentative 2021-2022 Budget on April 12, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Watkins, seconded by Trustee Gustin, to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Passed 5 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. Williams  
Clerk/Treasurer