

**Village Board  
Meeting Minutes  
of March 17, 2022**

Present: Mayor Lee, Trustees Zabelny, Fowler, Speer, Farrell  
Village Manager/Clerk Shari Wilson Pearce  
DPW Superintendent Jeff Pearce  
Asst DPW Superintendent Chad McManus  
Treasurer Maryalice Edwards

Deputy Clerk Amy Harter

Guests: Nick Mucci, Russ Zurick, Cody Kelly, Cody Pierce, Steve Catone, Andy Steiger

Mayor Lee called the Village Board meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. The meeting was held in person and via Zoom.

**Resolution:** Transfer \$48,790 for the workers compensation refund to the water fund for the purchase of water meters. Motion made by Trustee Fowler, seconded by Trustee Zabelny. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

**Resolution** to order a heavy duty lift system at a cost of \$47,812.45, with a weight rating of 72,000 lbs. This will be funded from the DPW Equipment Reserve fund. Motion made by Trustee Zabelny, seconded by Trustee Fowler. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

Opening remarks were given by Shari Pearce. A power point presentation was given, and each Department Head spoke on their budget items. The budget was built on the current tax rate of \$2.61/\$1,000 valuation. This is the third year at this tax rate.

The DPW employees discussed wages and explained the cost of living has increased dramatically over the last few months. The board is pleased to speak with the employees about any and all topics. Mayor Lee encourages the employees to provide feedback any time, not just during budget planning.

Class A license: Cody Kelly stated he has a class A drivers license, there is no one else within the Department that holds one. He explained it is very expensive to obtain and asked if the board would consider paying employees .50 additional per hour for this. The board will discuss it.

### **Executive Session**

Motion made by Trustee Fowler to enter into executive session at 6:45 p.m. to discuss employee wages, seconded by Trustee Zabelny. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

Motion made by Trustee Fowler to exit executive session at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Trustee Zabelny. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. made by Trustee Speer, seconded by Trustee Zabelny. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Harter, Deputy Clerk