

**Special Meeting Minutes
Video Conference Meeting
Tuesday, June 29, 2021 – 7:30 pm**

Attendance: Bill Nauss, Commission Chair; Nancy Hatch, Commission Vice Chair; Jo-Ann Grant, Commissioner; Michael Heisler, Commissioner; Martin Hiltz, Commissioner; Dennis Egyedy, Clerk Treasurer

Public Gallery: Deputy Chief Conron; Chief Hiltz; Suzi Fraser

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Nauss called the June 29, 2021, Special Meeting of the Village of Chester Commission to order at 7: 32 pm.

2.0 New Business

a) Request for Decision – Firehall Lot Purchase

Clerk Treasurer Egyedy reported that the funds, \$656,452.56 has been transferred from our bank to our lawyer, Taylor, McLellan, Cochrane. Discussion was held on the property closing date as Mr. Johnson requested to rent the house or change the closing date to August 31st, 2021. Johnson injured his hands and was not able to finish renovations at his lake house.

Commissioner Grant suggested that the vacant motel rooms be used for low-income housing. The new firehall may be a year or two away until the station is built. Clerk Treasurer Egyedy will check with the Commission's lawyer to see if this can be done.

MOTION #21-077: Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Hatch seconded:

To approve Mr. Johnson rental of the Motel house for two months at \$1000 per month.

Unanimously Carried

b) Request for Decision – Approval 2021/2022 Budget

Clerk Treasurer, Egyedy presented a proposed budget from Commissioner Hatch where the \$123,351.21 repayment of operating reserves is not required. According to our Auditor Lake, Operating reserve funds may be used in future budgets to eliminate any deficit. The village is not required to pay back the funds. A motion made on February 10th, 2021, must be rescinded to remove the repayment of operating reserves.

MOTION #21-078: Commissioner Hatch moved; Commissioner Grant seconded:

To rescind the entire Motion #21-022.

Unanimously Carried

MOTION #21-079: Commissioner Hatch moved; Commissioner Grant seconded:

The approval of the redemption of investments in the Building Reserve, and the Fire Apparatus Reserve;

And furthermore, to establish a repayment into the Fire Apparatus Reserve Fund over a three (3) year term with an interest rate of 1.17% paid in equal installments plus interest annually;

And furthermore, to approve the redemption of \$123,351.21 from the Operating Reserve and transfer the funds to the village current account.

Unanimously Carried

MOTION #21-080: Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Heisler seconded:

To approve the 2021 Operating Budget in the amount of \$664,060.00;

And furthermore, to approve the 2021 Capital Budget in the amount of \$110,450.00;

And furthermore, to approve the transfer of Lido Pool reserves to the operating account in the amount of \$45,000.00;

And furthermore, to approve the transfer of funds to the fire apparatus repayment of \$50,938.47 and fire apparatus of \$150,000.00;

And furthermore, to approve the 2021/22 Village tax rate of \$0.1517 per \$100 of assessment.

Unanimously Carried

3.0 Adjournment

Nomination Day – June 30th, 2021

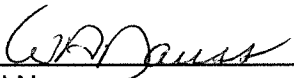
Annual Public Meeting – July 7th, 2021

Advance Election Poll – July 10th, 2021

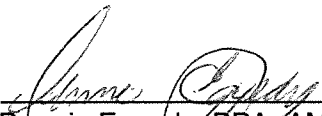
Election Day Poll – July 13th, 2021

Next Regular Meeting – July 21st, 2021 – 7:00 pm

Commissioner Heisler adjourned the June 29, 2021, meeting at 7:53pm.



Bill Nauss
Commission Chair



Dennis Egyedy, BPA, AMCT
Clerk Treasurer