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Village Board

Martin Meaney, Mayor
Deputy Mayor Clark Giblin

Trustee John Walker Trustee Adam Brown Trustee Mary Jacyna

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Johnson City Village Board held at Village Hall, 1st Floor Training Room, 243 Main Street, Johnson City, NY on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Martin Meaney, Mayor
 Clark Giblin, Deputy Mayor
 Adam Brown, Trustee
 Mary Jacyna, Trustee
 John Walker, Trustee

Absent: None

Also Present: Keegan Coughlin, Legal Counsel
 Jackson Bailey II, Village Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Martin Meaney led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Meaney thanked everyone who attended the meeting and advised where the fire exits are located.

Mayor Meaney took roll call.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [1] Carousel Day is Saturday, July 22, 2023 with the festivities kicking off with the 5K run at 10:00am. All activities are from 11:00am to 4:00pm.
- [2] The next Village Planning Board Meeting will be Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 7:30pm with a work session at 7:00pm.
- [3] The LPC meeting which deals with the DRI will be held Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 2:00pm at Village Hall.
- [4] The next Village Zoning Board Meeting will be Monday, August 14, 2023 at 7:30pm with a work session at 7:00pm.
- [5] The next regular Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 7:30pm with a work session at 6:00pm.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

- [1] June 20, 2023 Village Board Meeting and Work Session Minutes

A motion to approve the June 20, 2023 Village Board Meeting and Work Session Minutes was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna. The motion carried with all those present voting in the

affirmative. Trustee Giblin abstained.

BIDS – None

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

PETITIONS RECEIVED

[1] Petition from the concerned residents of Carpathian Hill Section of Johnson City. 48 signatures submitted.

Mayor Meaney thanked them for the petition and stated they will place it on file. He further stated there was a small section that was done on Columbia Drive, Grand Ave, Burbank Ave, Floral Ave, Corliss Ave and a lot of them are in the same condition. He does not know where it sits on Josh Holland's list to get done. He will speak to him; he will get a copy of this so he knows the neighborhood would like this done sooner rather than later.

Discussion between Mayor Meaney and residents in the Columbia Drive area regarding the state of the roads.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS

Mayor Meaney opened the privilege of the floor.

Diane Marusich, *Deborah Drive*

- Filed a FOIL request, it was a three-part question and has not heard anything in two months. Attorney Coughlin and Mr. Bailey confirmed they have discussed the FOIL Request they tried to send it back four days after and it seemed to be an email issue. Attorney Coughlin asked for an email and stated they will get a response to her tomorrow.
 - FOIL Response to diane.marusich@gmail.com

Carol Laskoski, *Edward Street*

- Parking on Riale Ave Concerns

Mayor Meaney stated the police is all over it. They are working on it and if they don't see any violations, there's nothing he can do. Mayor Meaney said they put the sign up and he will talk to Lieutenant Mason when he gets back from vacation.

- When is DPW move into their new headquarters

Mayor Meaney responded the whole transition is going to take three weeks in August. So hopefully the first board meeting in September we will be in our new facility.

Donald Slota, *Edward Street*

- Town of Union cleaned up bamboo, should put it on the schedule for September.

Mayor Meaney stated we thought we were going to have our own equipment because of the SAM Grant, but we have to rely on the Town of Union until we do. Mayor Meaney advise it is about \$200,000 for the whole outfit. There is a lot of bamboo all over.

Mayor Meaney closed the privilege of the floor.

COMMUNICATIONS

A motion to accept and file the following Communications was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Correspondence from Saleh Hadi, owner of 19 Burbank Avenue regarding garbage removal charge.
- [2] Correspondence from David Cohen, owner of 13 Elizabeth Street regarding water and refuse bills.
- [3] Correspondence from Donald Stark, owner of 214 St. Charles Street regarding water bill.
- [4] Correspondence from Tyan-Min Niu and Hou-Ying Hsing, owner of 189 Grand Avenue regarding water bill.
- [5] Correspondence from Iliya Honovich, owner of 39 Allen Street regarding refuse bill.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the following Committee and Board Report was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Brown. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] City of Binghamton Joint Sewage Board Reports dated June 30, 2023.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the following Department Reports was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Police Department Overtime Report for the weeks of June 8 – June 21, 2023
- [2] Fire Department Overtime Report for the weeks of June 8 – June 21, 2023
- [3] Police Department Overtime Report for the weeks of June 22 – July 5, 2023
- [4] Fire Department Overtime Report for the weeks of June 22 – July 5, 2023

PAYROLL AND BILLS PRESENTED

A motion to approve Abstract #2 of the 2023 – 2024 fiscal bills as stated and/or amended, and attached to the work session minutes and recorded as part of the work session minutes, having been audited by the Board and approved, was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

GENERAL FUND	\$2,024,559.53
WATER FUND	\$122,001.26
SEWER FUND	\$2,389,016.98
REFUSE FUND	\$89,706.01
SESAME ST	\$742.53
VARPUR	\$208,379.00
JSTP	\$377.65
SPECIAL GRANT	\$17,090.00
DEBT SERVICE	\$2,364,365.75

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE & RULES

Resolution 140 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to amend the numbering of the June 20, 2023 Resolutions to increase each number by two. This resolution is amending a minor clerical error in posting of the agenda was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 141 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Village Clerk-Treasurer to re-establish in the 2023-2024 Village of Johnson City Budget, at their discretion, any unencumbered balances of active and approved Grants and Capital Projects in the 2022-2023 Village of Johnson City Budget, and to complete any necessary interfund transfers or adjustments to the respective General, Capital, and Special Grant Funds was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 142 of 2023

A motion authorizing the Mayor or his designee to enter into agreement with Sanico regarding the procurement of cleaning supplies utilizing the Broome County contract which has been let in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 103 (16), commonly known as the piggybacking provision was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Trustee Giblin stated Broome County is the low bid of services that we are piggybacking off of.

Resolution 143 of 2023

A motion authorizing the Mayor or his designee to seek proposals via Request for Proposals for building cleaning and janitorial services for Village Hall and additional properties was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 144 of 2023

A motion authorizing the Mayor or his designee to seek proposals via Request for Proposals for the sale of surplus furniture and items in Village Hall, 243 Main Street, Johnson City, NY 13790, which have been determined to be surplus goods and no longer necessary following the move of Village Hall to 60 Lester Avenue, Johnson City, NY 13790 was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Attorney Coughlin advised these are items that are declared surplus goods and are no longer needed.

Resolution 145 of 2023

A motion for forgiveness of the refuse bill in the amount of \$250.00 to Saleh Hadi, owner of 19 Burbank Avenue, Johnson City was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

Resolution 146 of 2023

A motion for forgiveness of the water and refuse bills in the amount of \$584.60 to David Cohen, owner of 13 Elizabeth Street, Johnson City was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

Resolution 147 of 2023

A motion for forgiveness of a portion of the water bill to Donald Stark, owner of 214 St. Charles St., Johnson City was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

Resolution 148 of 2023

A motion for forgiveness of a portion of the water bill to Tyan-Min Niu and Hou-Ying Hsing, owner of 189 Grand Avenue regarding water bill was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

Resolution 149 of 2023

A motion for forgiveness of the refuse bill in the amount of \$250.00 to Iliya Honovich, owner of 39 Allen Street, Johnson City was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE – No new business

POLICE

Resolution 150 of 2023

A motion to appoint Jesse Pruitt as a police officer with the Johnson City Police Department at the negotiated starting salary as outlined in the collective bargaining agreement, to be effective August 3rd, 2023, contingent upon the results of the physical exam, and final approval from Broome County Civil Service was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 151 of 2023

A motion to appoint Tylor Winsor as a police officer with the Johnson City Police Department at the base starting salary as outlined in the collective bargaining agreement, to be effective August 3rd, 2023, contingent upon the results of the physical exam, and final approval from Broome County Civil Service was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Trustee Giblin stated there are two vacancies that these are being filled for and a substation with working out things with the mall that they will be reimbursing us for. Mayor Meaney confirmed there are two vacancies and two additional for the mall.

Resolution 152 of 2023

A motion to appoint Tomas Letosky as a police officer with the Johnson City Police Department at the base starting salary as outlined in the collective bargaining agreement, to be effective August 3rd, 2023, contingent upon the results of the physical exam, and final approval from Broome County Civil Service was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Trustee Giblin questioned when the academy starts. Mayor Meaney responded in August.

Resolution 153 of 2023

A motion to appoint Brandon Bender as a police officer with the Johnson City Police Department at the base starting salary as outlined in the collective bargaining agreement, to be effective August 3rd, 2023, contingent upon the results of the physical exam, and final approval from Broome County Civil Service was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution 154 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Director of Public Services to sign an agreement with Atlantic Testing Laboratories for Construction Materials Engineering and Testing Services for the Jenison Park Project on an on-call, as-needed basis per the agreed upon fee structure was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 155 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Director of Public Services to sign a letter of support for the Broome Tioga Stormwater Coalition’s Department of Environmental Conservation CFA grant application for the Southern Tier 8 Regional Board’s Application to the Non-Agricultural Nonpoint Source Planning and Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Mapping Grant (NPG) on behalf of the Broome-Tioga Stormwater Coalition was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 156 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Director of Public Services or his designee to sign Supplemental Agreement #1 with Fisher Associates for an amount not to exceed \$47,900 for additional required design services for the Streetscape Enhancement Project was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Trustee Giblin stated it is already funded but he forgot where it's coming from. He said Josh told them earlier. Mayor Meaney advised the one that is funded is Resolution 154, the streetscapes, GBF.

Resolution 157 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Mayor to re-enter a shared service agreement with Broome County for equipment was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

RECREATION – No new business

PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT

Resolution 158 of 2023

A motion to authorize the Director of Planning or her designee to sign a letter of support for the Broome County Climate Smart Communities grant application for the “Broome County Comprehensive Plan Sustainable Element Project” was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 159 of 2023

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES FUNDS WITH COMMITTED MATCH

WHEREAS, the Village of Johnson City hereby requests financial assistance from the New York State Climate Smart Communities grant program pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law Article 54, Title 15.

WHEREAS, the Village of Johnson City certifies that it has identified \$262,500 of matching funds from the 2024-2025 stormwater budget pursuant to the requirements of Environmental Conservation Law Article 54 Title 15

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Village of Johnson City hereby authorizes Isabella Paullay, an official or employee, to act on its behalf in submittal of an application through the Consolidated Funding Application for \$262,500 to be used for Culvert Right-Sizing Project at the Dellapenna Drive Storm Channel.

Resolution 160 of 2023

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

WHEREAS, by a memorandum dated July 3, 2023, the Village Fire Marshal and Village Code Enforcement Officer have requested that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Johnson City consider declaring the structure at 257 Main Street, Johnson City, New York, unsafe and dangerous, which consideration requires a public hearing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Board set and hold a Public Hearing on August 15, 2023 at 7:35 to solicit public input on the issue concerning whether the structure at 257 Main Street, Johnson City, New York should be declared unsafe and dangerous; and be it further

RESOLVED, that notice of this Public Hearing shall be served by mail on the record owner of 257 Main Street, Johnson City, New York and its legal counsel, if known; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk and Counsel are authorized to take such additional and further action as it is necessary to notice the Public Hearing as noted herein; and be it further

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 118-9 of the Village Code that a clear and imminent danger to life, safety and health exists for persons and property, and as such the building at 257 Main Street, Johnson City, New York must be secured immediately, the Board hereby authorized the Code Enforcement Officer to immediately cause the securing of this building.

Discussion: Mayor Meaney stated this is the Bernie's army and navy, the Avenue D side of the structure. The façade is separated quite a bit from the building. We have had the building vacated and engineers have been up to look at it and have continued to look at it. They have to peel all the façade off and get back in to the structure to see how bad the damage is.

JOINT SEWAGE TREATMENT BOARD

Resolution 161 of 2023

The Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board requests that the Owners pass legislation to amend the 2023 Budget to increase ES.43960 State Aid - Emergency Disaster Asst by \$4,233.44, ES.44960 Fed Aid - Emergency Disaster Assist by \$12,700.31. Increase ES8130.55000 Contingency by \$16,933.75 (backup attached) was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 162 of 2023

The Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board requests that the Owner's approve designation of the City of Binghamton as the entity to complete/submit the NYS State Historic Preservation Office [SHPO] Cultural Resource Information System [CRIS] Application for the TPS Improvements Project and associated IMG Grant Application was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Trustee Giblin stated these are all in regards to the grant application that's going to be submitted by the City of Binghamton for the TPS reconstruction and fixtures that are needed. Mayor Meaney added these are motion that we acted on but were not in proper format.

Resolution 163 of 2023

The Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board requests that the Owners adopt a resolution authorizing the Village to enter into a Project-Specific Intermunicipal Agreement (PS-IMA) with the City of Binghamton in relation to the financing and construction of the TPS Improvements, in the form submitted herewith. The City of Binghamton will be named Lead Municipality with respect to grant applications, and Lead Agency with respect to SEQR and the NYS-SHPO-CRIS application. The Joint Sewage Board (JSB) will oversee the procurement, construction, and compliance reporting for the TPS Improvements Project. The costs of the TPS Improvements Project will be paid from the JSB's 2023 Fund Balance, with no cost to the City of Binghamton or the Village of Johnson City was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 164 of 2023

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

The Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board requests that the Owners adopt a resolution for the following-purposes:

1. Authorize the Joint Sewage Board to undertake the TPS Improvements Project;
2. Authorize the appropriation of funding for the project from the unappropriated Fund Balance in the Joint Sewage Board budget resulting from the 2022 Final Billing computation – not to exceed \$4.2 million (*temporary placeholder amount pending preliminary engineering report estimate expected on or about 07/19/23*) and;

3. Authorize the City of Binghamton, as the Lead Municipality, to designate a representative (person) to [i] sign and submit the Grant Application and [ii] if awarded, to sign the grant funding agreement with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation [NYS-EFC] and any associated documents.

Resolution 165 of 2023

The Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board requests that the Owners adopt a resolution designating the City of Binghamton as “Lead Municipality” to apply for a NYS Intermunicipal Grant (IMG) on behalf of the Owner’s for the TPS Improvement Project was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Attorney Coughlin advised that TPS is Terminal Pumping Station. Trustee Giblin stated it is located on the corner of Commerce and Gates Road.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Meaney adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Jackson D. Bailey II
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Recordings of the Village Board meetings and work sessions
are available for review through the Village Clerk/Treasurer’s Office