

## A regular meeting of the Village of Newport – March 21, 2016

The Village of Newport regular meeting was called to order on March 21, 2016 @ 7:03 PM by Mayor Hennings with the following members present:

Mayor - Ashley Hennings  
Trustee – Steven Woods  
Trustee – Thomas Roberts

Tricia Foster (clerk), Michele Weakley (treasurer), Barb Curran (historian), Herm Harris (street superintendent), Michael Wood (water superintendent), Clara Hill, Audrey Dunning (Village Lawyer), Kathy English, George Farley (codes & Zoning)

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of minutes:

Motion made by Trustee Roberts to accept the minutes as written from the special fire truck meeting held on January 25, 2016, seconded by Trustee Woods.

All in favor; Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion made by Trustee Roberts to accept the minutes as written from the special water project meeting held on January 25, 2016, seconded by Trustee Woods.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion made by Trustee Woods to accept the minutes as written for the regular meeting held on February 15, 2016, seconded by Trustee Roberts.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: None

Motion carried

### Department heads report:

#### **History Center:**

Barb Curran gave her report and will be placed on file.

#### **Water Superintendent:**

Michael Woods gave his report and it will be placed on file.

#### **Street Superintendent:**

Herm Harris gave his report and it will be placed on file.

**ZBA:**

No new business

**Planning Board:**

No new business

**Codes & Zoning:**

George Farley gave his report and it will be placed on file.

**Fire Dept.:**

No new business. They did participate in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Utica

**Recreation committee:**

They are going to start working on the fields at the playground. May have some work days coming up that they would be looking for volunteer to help.

**Treasurer:**

Michele Weakley gave her report and it will be placed on file.

Gen abs 10 vouchers 185-204 \$14448.97 checks 10391-10410

Water abs 10 vouchers 65-66 \$294.87 checks 3311-3312

**Election Results:**

Steven Woods won for trustee. 59 votes total 57 for Steven, 2 voided ballots

Re-organizational meeting will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00PM

**Budget:**

Has to be sent to the clerk by midnight tonight, after the clerk will send to Mayor and board.

**Lawn Mowing:**

Will need to have 2 bids. Herm will do the weed eating by the water tank and chorine house.

**Executive session:**

Mayor Hennings told us that they have 3 issues to discuss,

Public comment to start @ 7:15PM not to exceed 30 minutes

Trustee Roberts talked about the fence rail at the playground and said that the top rail on the fence and how it is not a jagged edge on the top that is smooth rail and not sure if we need to do anything.

Trustee Woods talked about East St and how when the kids get out of school around 2:30-3:00 and how they ride their dirt bikes and 4 wheelers and how much noise they make and how they don't follow the traffic rules. Wondering if there is anything that can be done about it. Mayor Hennings said that the police won't chase them. Also commented on how he had talked to John Gorinshek and wants to work with Village to come up with a solution for the water problem and has some items of his own. Mayor Hennings said that we could ask our engineer what he thinks. Jack Dodson was going to contact grant writing company, the Village would like to get funds this year.

Executive session:

Motion made by Trustee Roberts to go into executive session @ 7:26PM to discuss the water project, private property matter and a Fire Dept. issue, seconded by Trustee Woods.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: none

Motion carried

Motion made by Trustee Woods to come out of executive session @ 8:11PM, seconded by Trustee Roberts.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: none

Motion carried

Mayor Hennings reported the results of executive session was to settle with V&B Construction, Do some more research in Fire Dept. matter which was a personnel matter, and to do some more research on the private property matter.

Motion made by Mayor Hennings, seconded by Trustee Roberts to close the meeting @ 8:12 PM.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The vouchers were reviewed and signed and the bank statements and balance sheets were reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia L Foster

Village Clerk