

A Regular meeting of the Village of Newport – September 15, 2014

The Village of Newport regular meeting was called to order on September 15, 2014 @ 7:02 PM by Mayor Hennings with the following members present:

Mayor – Ashley Hennings
Trustee – Steven Woods
Trustee – Heidi Worden

Tricia Foster (clerk), Cathy Asaro (deputy clerk), Michele Weakley (treasurer), Barb Curran (historian), Herm Harris (street superintendent), George Farley (codes & zoning), Michael Woods (water superintendent), John Gorinshek, Tammy Gorinshek, Audrey Dunning (village lawyer), Peg Garlock (planning board)

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of minutes for August 18, 2014

Motion made by Trustee Woods to accept the minutes as written for the regular meeting held on August 18, 2014, Seconded by Trustee Worden.

All in Favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Worden

Opposed: none

Motion carried

Department head reports:

History center:

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

Water Superintendent:

Mike 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.

Codes & Zoning:

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

Fire Dept.:

They had a good turnout for the September 11 ceremony.

Recreation Committee:

Trick or Treating will be held on Halloween night from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. They are going to hold a Halloween Bash at the playground and are thinking about having 2 different nights, one for the families and another for the older kids. They are still in the planning this at this time.

Treasurer:

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

Water Abs 4 vouchers 20 – 25, checks 3201 – 3206 \$637.33

General Abs 4 vouchers, 67-92, checks 10002-10026 \$41,047.69

On September 22, 2014 there will be a public hearing held about a local law starting @ 6:30 Pm at the Newport Firehouse. Following at 7:00Pm there will be a water informational meeting for the public.

Water Project update:

We need to extend George being on site and need to have \$10,000.00 set aside for this. He needs to be on site until the completion of the project and we are overdue on construction. This amount is in our budget and will not make us go over our budget. Contract 1 the manhole up to water tank should happen this week. Building still need electrical and are waiting on National Grid; they have been in contact but still waiting for someone to come out. V&B are on notice for issues as far as their timeline.

Resolution # 32

Motion made by Mayor Hennings, seconded by Trustee Woods, RESOLVED, to extend for the foreman of the water project salary up to \$10,000.00, due to project taking longer than expected.

All in Favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods

Opposed: Trustee Worden

Motion carried

East Street / School Street project:

Mayor Hennings would like to set up a workshop for October, will see what happens on the September 22, 2014 meeting. Our plan is to do the project in phases. Trustee Worden asked about the \$50,000.00 from Seward but that expired in March 2014. Mayor Hennings said that Jack Dodson would be able to help the village find grants.

Meeting with Town of Norway

The Town would like to set up a meeting with the Village to discuss the fire budget. Mayor Hennings said that they are thinking September 29th or 30th, hoping to set up a date this week. John Gorinshek asked if the Village would ask where the foreign insurance money is going. These funds used to come to municipalities and then it was turned over to the fire Dept. Michele Weakley said that Norway has not received any of those funds in several years. Mayor Hennings said that the Town of Newport has not asked for a meeting yet.

Firehouse Maintenance:

8 lights came in and were installed, they look nice and a brighter than the ones that were replaced. 16 new lights are going to cost the same as 4 of the old lights. Interior painting should be happening on October, painting will include the main room, women bathroom, and both of the side hallways.

Fall Haul / garbage day:

Will be held on September 26, 2014, pickup will start @ 5:00AM.

Street Lights:

Lights posts for downtown area. There is one local company and they will help build what you are looking for and work within your budgets. Mayor Hennings is looking place one 1 at each end of the bridge and 10 total on bridge street. The budget will allow us to do the 10 on Bridge Street this year and then will look into putting 6 next year for Main Street. The funds would come out of the Revitalization line of the budget.

Resolution #33

Motion made by Trustee Worden, Seconded by Trustee Woods, RESOVLED, to purchase light post for bridge street not to exceed \$10,000.00.

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

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Public Comment to start @ 7:32Pm not to exceed 30 minutes

Executive Session:

Mayor Hennings told us it was for a local land owner issue and could have possible litigation.

Motion made by Trustee Woods, Seconded by Trustee Worden to go into executive session @7:34PM

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

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion made by Mayor Hennings, Seconded by Trustee Worden to come out of executive session @ 7:44 PM.

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

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mayor Hennings said that a meeting was going to be set up with land owner and Village.

Motion made my Mayor Hennings, Seconded by Trustee Woods, to close the meeting @ 7:44 PM.

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

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