

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MEDINA HELD ON MONDAY AUGUST 8, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER.

Present: Deputy Mayor Owen Toale, Trustees Marguerite Sherman, Timothy Elliott, Jessica Marciano

Police Chief Chad Kenward, Fire Chief Jackson, Code Enforcement Officer Daniel Gardner

Excused: Mayor Michael Sidari, Attorney Matthew Brooks

Deputy Mayor Toale called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Toale said in accordance with WIIA Grant Application process, a board resolution was needed authorizing the Mayor to sign the application.

A motion was made by Trustee Marciano and seconded by Trustee Elliott. Mayor Sidari is authorized to sign the WIIA Grant Application.

All ayes
Motion carried.

Code Enforcement Officer Daniel Gardner asked that the Grass Violation Notice that was on the agenda be tabled until the August 22, 2022, meeting as the owner of the property was not able to attend.

Ms. Debra Varley addressed the Board as she had received a violation notice of CVM Section 254-57, the Harboring of Animals. Ms. Varley said that she and her grandchildren have had chickens in the Village for the last ten years and it wasn't until a recent neighbor complaint that it had been an issue. The Board advised Ms. Varley that unfortunately these types of animals are only allowed in the Agricultural-Residential District and her property was not located in an AR District. The chickens would not be allowed.

Heather Hungerford addressed the Board requesting permission to place an outdoor café seating area in front of Bent's Opera House to allow patrons to have drinks and appetizers. This area would be fenced in, with the fencing being removed during the winter months. The matter was tabled until the August 22, 2022, meeting.

Deputy Mayor Toale said that a Letter of Intent to apply for the Downtown Revitalization Initiative and the NY Forward grants would need to be submitted by August 10, 2022. Part of the application process was listing five to ten community leaders should the Village receive either the NY Forward or the DRI award.

A motion was made by Trustee Marciano and seconded by Trustee Elliott. The Mayor is authorized to sign and submit a Letter of Intent to apply for both the DRI and NY Forward grant programs, listing the following community members in the application process: Marguerite Sherman,

Timothy Elliott, Kathy Blackburn, Christopher Busch, David Flynn, Christopher Goyette, Reinhart Rogowski, Randy Reese and Lauren Backlas.

All ayes
Motion carried.

Chief Jackson said that the portal for the Healthcare Worker Bonus was released by the Governor's Office. The employer would need to submit for these bonuses with the deadline being September 2, 2022. Employees are awarded up to \$1,500.00 per each six-month period.

Deputy Mayor Toale said the property owner at 104 W. Oak Orchard Street had submitted a letter to the Board requesting a payment plan for her water bill as she currently was facing a financial hardship. Deputy Toale offered to contact the property owner and report back to the Board. The matter was tabled.

Deputy Mayor Toale said that Brandi Zavitz, the artist who would be painting the mural on the Glenwood Avenue bridge, requested that \$450.00 of funds be released to purchase paint to begin the mural.

A motion was made by Trustee Elliott seconded by Trustee Marciano. Brandon Harper's request to block off Maple Avenue on August 13, 2022, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. is granted.

All ayes
Motion carried.

Heather Hungerford addressed the Board requesting that Main Street be closed on October 9, 2022, to hold an exotic car show. The matter was tabled.

Deputy Mayor Toale said that Fire Chief Jackson had received a resignation letter from Firefighter Matthew Reddy.

A motion was made by Trustee Sherman and seconded by Trustee Elliott. The resignation of Firefighter Reddy is accepted, effective August 17, 2022, with the understanding that his contractual obligations are fulfilled.

All ayes
Motion carried.

No additional information had been received on the Skate Contest. The matter was tabled.

Deputy Mayor Toale said he was waiting on meeting locations and times from the Planning and Zoning Boards, The Strategic Planning Visionary Committee, and the Police Advisory Committee. Once that information was received, a new meeting location would be discussed. Trustee Sherman said she would like to obtain a cost to put an elevator in City Hall.

Deputy Toale said that the designs for the Canal Basin Kiosk had been distributed. The matter was tabled for further review.

The Minimum Standard of Appeals Board discussion was tabled until Attorney Brooks could be present.

Fire Chief Jackson said his department participated in National Night Out which was a great community event with several agencies and vendors in attendance. He thanked the Police Department, Department of Public Works, and mutual departments for their assistance in a RV/House fire on East Oak Orchard Street. He said Austin Mosher was in his second week at the Fire Academy and doing well.

Police Chief Kenward said there was a great turn out for National Night Out. He said during the event, four individuals allegedly had stolen from a business in Lockport which led to a high-speed chase. He said Officer Collins had successfully spiked the car and Officer Messmer successfully took two suspects into custody.

Deputy Mayor Toale said that the NYCOM requested that the NYS Cannabis Board Survey of Municipalities be completed to help guide them in creating statewide regulations that support municipal priorities. Trustee Marciano offered to read each question with each Board member offering their input to complete the survey.

A motion was made by Trustee Sherman and seconded by Trustee Elliott. The meeting is adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jada A. Burgess
Clerk-Treasurer