

Regular Meeting

Regular Meeting called to order by Mayor Marshall at 6:15 pm

Attendance: Mayor Marshall, Trustee Foster, Trustee Ladd, Clerk Tiffany, Roxanne Groves, Chris Worlock, Vern Groves, Robert Jones

Absent:

Accept/Approve August 2023 Minutes motion by Trustee Foster Second by Trustee Ladd, all in favor.

Accept/Approve August 2023 Treasurers report, motion by Trustee Ladd, Second by Trustee Foster all in favor and carried.

Old Business - On Hold:

Water Rules regulations update – Aaron & Mayor to review.

Solar and Wind Zoning Law –

Labor Contract with Town of DeRuyter – Mayor to meet with Town Supervisor

Fire Protection Contract – Contract up 2025.

New Business

Discussion items

Highway- Walt Cook – Clean up day scheduled for September 23rd, Ruritan collecting scrap metal, Ventrac is down waiting on parts. The school mowed the fairgrounds. Mosquito treatment once weather permitting.

Water-Aaron Pforter – no water report.

Joint Youth – Mayor Marshall stated the swim program went well and the kids enjoyed it. Youth Soccer program is going strong, Melissa Fuller Newton is doing a great job. She's trying to get games for the younger kids. The school did not have a girls modify soccer this year so some of them joined the Youth Soccer program.

Other:

- ✓ Vern Groves stated the animals are back. They seem to be gone for a couple of weeks but have returned. Mayor Marshall asked them to see Chuck Ladd code enforcer to file a written compliant form. They are looking to the property maintenance laws. Mr. Groves also asked about the property next to Chuck Walters, and if there was any progress. Mayor Marshall stated that the NYS Property Maintenance code and enforcement takes time. They have 30 days to 90 days to comply, it's a difficult process. It was asked what the code enforcers hours are – The Website states it Thursday 9:00 am to noon. Chuck also has an email address, per Trustee Ladd.
- ✓ Chris Worlock would like to know how we get more people to come to DeRuyter and not rental properties. We need to dress up DeRuyter so it's more welcoming, DeRuyter looks horrible, and people don't want to live or stay here. Mayor Marshall stated other towns and villages are having the same issues. They too are fighting rental properties, The Village has never had zoning, should we have zoning or let the code enforcer handle. DeRuyter is not alone in this battle. Marshall has seen a lot of this working with Cortland City, it's not easy and it takes time.
- ✓ Roxanne Groves stated she heard Mr. Pickard's house sale pending, and so was Chuck Walters. Asked who purchased Susan Barbers – Jared Barney purchased Sue's house on Mill St.
- ✓ Mayor Marshall – talked about removal to trees on RT 13. He talked with National grid, NYS DOT and NYS DOT stated the trees are the village responsibility. Mayor got a quote to take down the tree in front of Mrs. Barlow's house of \$900.00 is also looking into taking down tree in front of Darla Snyders.
- ✓ Chris Worlock – asked about people dog walking at the fairgrounds and having trash cans, poop station so they can pick up after their dogs. Mayor Marshall will investigate the cost.
- ✓ Mayor Marshall stated the Suit-Kote, Jerry Prince is coming back to look at Lincklaen St and Division St. having issues, will update board once they investigate and see how they can fix the problems.
- ✓ Mayor Marshall addresses the board regarding Danita Kinner letter and what their opinion was. They asked what the Town was suggesting/giving. The Town as a line item in the budget each year but are not willing to

give any more than that. Mayor Marshall stated it wasn't in our budget and would have to look into the legality of donating money.

Board Action Items

Approve – A Tree contractor to take down tree in front of 763 Utica Street at the cost of \$900.00. Motion by Trustee Foster, Seconded by Trustee Ladd. All in favor and approved.

Approve – to move next month's meeting from October 18th to October 26th at 6:15. The Mayor will be out of town the week of the 18th. Motion by Trustee Ladd, Seconded by Trustee Foster. All in favor and carried.

Motion to pay bills and approve payroll. Motion by Mayor Marshall, Second by Trustee Foster to approve and pay the following:

- Payroll \$6819.87 – August monthly and Summer Payroll
 - Abst 4 \$12021.31
 - motion to adjourn meeting by: Mayor Marshall
- Time: 7:00 pm

***Respectfully submitted by
Ardene Tiffany, Clerk***