

**VILLAGE BOARD REGULAR MEETING:**

**OCTOBER 20, 2020**

**A Village Board Regular Meeting took place on October 20, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. held at Village Hall, 9 Fairlawn Drive, Washingtonville, New York, 10992.**

**PRESENT:**

**Mayor Joseph Bucco, Deputy Mayor Paul Lang, Trustee Laudato, Calore & Sampson**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**Police Chief Brian Zaccaro**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – MAYOR JOSEPH BUCCO:**

**Mayor Joseph Bucco led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Congratulate Hudson Valley Hawks; 10 & Under; 9-0; 9 & Under; 9-1;  
Phone calls & text messages regarding Halloween; Talking w/Chief Zaccaro;  
Halloween as usual; Curfew; Fri 30 & Sat 31 7:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M.; under 18;  
Short Term Principal Payment Amount due EFC (Environmental Facility Corporation)  
on WWTP due November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 in amount of \$148,500;  
Ribbon Cutting; WWTP; scheduled for Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.;  
Lawn Signs "We Support Our Police" available at Village Hall; \$10 each;  
Residents urged to call Village Hall or go to Website; have your phone # put on  
website to receive CTY Messages in case of Emergency;  
Asking Residents to contact Village Hall or Myself if you have any concerns;  
addressing reading concerns on Facebook; not best approach;  
DPW working on Catch Basins & other areas of concern on streets;  
Fill out incident reports; if you need work in front of home; we ask you be patient;  
Starting November 1, 2020; No Overnight Parking from 1:00 A.M. – 5:00 A.M.; Cars  
will be ticketed.**

**PRESENTATION – BADGE TO WPD K-9 OFFICER "JAX":**

**Jax completed 16 Wks of Training; you'll see Jax around Village & other areas; an  
addition to WPD; At this time I'd like to present Jax w/Badge "Washingtonville  
Police K-9".**

**RESOLUTION – 4H PROPOSAL FROM GIRL SCOUT TROOP 529 – TRUSTEE SAMPSON:**

**LS: Welcome Girl Scout Troop 529;**

**Like to put a memorial in town in remembrance of all Washingtonville Residents  
who died of COVID-19; put it in place noticeable & where people can place flowers  
in remembrance to properly honor those who passed away from COVID-19. In order  
to continue project, need permission to place memorial. We would like official  
authorization to move forward & we are hoping you can help by giving us a permit.  
Thank you for time & consideration.**

Granite & place it at Sewell Park, nice landscaping; HIPPA regulations; overall remembrance of those affected by or could people have option of putting loved one's name on paper; has to be done by end of year (Sept. 30, 2021); going to get donations from people in Town; work themselves; call DOH to get #s of people to get names; or a bench/slab in remembrance of general people who lost battle; Trustee Calore made a motion, Trustee Sampson seconded to approve the COVID-19

Memorial to be placed in Sewell Park by Girl Scout Troop 529. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supply 4 parks w/hand sanitizer, masks for any children who want to use park equipment, stay safe during pandemic; masks for anyone who needs extras or who lost theirs; goal is to keeps kids safe & healthy while allowing them fun at parks; group will research cost for each station & raising funds for stations & refill sanitizer every 2/3 wks. Thank you.

Mayor Bucco: Permit Approved. Thank you.

**CURFEW HOURS FOR HALLOWEEN:**

October 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> 7:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M.; anyone under 18

Chief Zaccaro: Out w/parent/guardian; allowed to be out unsupervised hours;

Sergeant Martin going to reach out to Chris Martino; 4 lights; reach out to see how many needed;

**TRUNK OR TREAT – MAYOR BUCCO:**

Paul Neiman; Vern Allen Park; Friday night; Fill out Facility Use Request Form;

Deputy Mayor Lang made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sampson for the approval

of Trunk or Treat to be held on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, at Vern Allen Park. 5 Ayes, 0

Nays.

**APPROVAL OF LOCUST STREET WATER MEDIA – ESTIMATE FROM JOE THE PLUMBER– DEPUTY MAYOR LANG:**

\$2,750; we've been here for 3 yrs. (Joe, Rich, Paul). In 2<sup>nd</sup> yr., 2017; need to replace meter at 2 Local Street. Spindler Bulk Transport; 1<sup>st</sup> meter installed 2017; Spindler agreed; Kohls Plumbing installed meter. Meter installed incorrectly, meter went bad in 2019, talked to guy from Schmidt's plumbing; salesman; meter placed in October 17, 2020 & in 2 yrs. in 2019 replaced same meter w/same model meter & was going screwing so on technical brief in listing & I sent copy; 2750 quote for installation; when using a strain of 5 diameters of straight pipe separating strain of upstream in meter, no strainer, there should be strainer & it should be 5 diameters of straight pipe, needs a certain length of horizontal flow, for meter to read it properly; it's a

mechanical device changes energy to electromagnetic energy to top of it; resident took register off, meter is stolen incorrectly; JCO installed meter; I got directions on how to install meter; strainer is recommended to ensure optimum flow conditioning protection for turbo vehicle measuring health; moving forward, I texted JCO, asked him to find out from Joe the Plumber; 2750, I texted him a picture of directions of installation; I told him that this is what we need, is 2750 going to cover that? He said it should. He will get back to me & find out, I asked him if there is a strainer & he said no; I did not see any strength; comes up on 90 degree right into meter it's certainly not 5 lengths of height. I'm thinking it might be more to do the re-piping, but meter has never been correct; we had other meeting & conversation then walked into okay, meter was 2 yrs. old, other meter in there was \$1970. When we discovered meter was bad, then but it probably had been bad all along; it would be focused readings all along when we started looking at meters, we said change meters, they got banned b/c no strainer apparently incorrectly piped, I don't know if we can since this one since it is Baroda Reality now, maybe we can go through Will Frank w/ this & tell them, listen until we correct meter, so it doesn't get damaged again, no water comes out of pipe, problem w/out pipe, when we have meeting w/JCO; I have emails going way back here, in my emails, meter was installed on October 17<sup>th</sup>, Scotts been dealing w/theirs after they have to diagnose with them they're finally sending him the form to return meter so he can resolve this issue, that meter we took out in 2017. We don't have meter & we don't know where it is; salesman I talked to today he could've gotten RGA, a process he says, meter goes back to badger & they have scientists cut this thing in half & analyze whole meter & break it down, piece by piece & see what went wrong, they will give you a brand new one, this has been going on since October/November 2019 & now they take meter out, they replace new one & again, I am not a plumber, but I can read these directions & say that this is how it is supposed to be; meter needs to be installed properly, that is where we are at; if we want to read readings at that meter; we are going to have to have it ripped that 2750 estimate, I don't know if that is going to be a good estimate, once Joe the Plumber actually has to be done, I am ready to wait until we find out what real estimate is #1 & #2 if we can tell since it is not a water company anymore, can we tell them that it is not running they have another meter that is for building, so that is separate & does not have anything to do w/this; bulk 3-inch water main; can we tell them don't pump any water out of that meter is shut down until we repipe it.

JB: I don't know what deal Baroda Energy w/you, I met w/Deo yesterday, no agreement between him & Spindler. I spoke to Will just before. I am going to sit down w/Spindler; we are going to allow to pump half of what you're pumping in down, now after hearing this, you're not pumping anything until we fix this problem that we have, we had plumbers install, I am sure specifications of this meter has not changed, why did not one follow it, we need to ask JCO, Kohls, Spindler why no one checked on that.

**PL:** Meter we don't have we could've sent to badger & got replaced then we paid for that again, meter is 3300.

**JB:** To repipe meter, it's 123 or other work needs to be done

**RC:** Aren't going to use it as village well, why not turn line off & on?

**PL:** We aren't going to use, don't have to repipe screen b/c they were complaining about brown water, may have been stuff going through lines, creates a vacuum & it comes off 90 & not long enough & it starts to..

**RC:** Why spend \$ on something not going to use, recoup \$ lost look at installation, still have other meter for other property right?

**PL:** Separate meter for building, no problem w/shutting other one off; I told Donna I wanted a reading from house & readings not accurate, doesn't remember strain, replacement on meter & estimate from Joe's plumbing includes installation of strainer & view, 5 diameters of straight pipe separating streamer upstream is recommended, I can make sure price was okay, wanted to get approved but Will said cost will not be much more if we wait;

**JB:** Spindler; meter is broken; it's design; been since day 1, put meter in there.

#### **4D WATER METER READINGS – DEPUTY MAYOR LANG:**

During last readings, October, meter reader, bit by dog inside fence; went to property; didn't say anything about beware of dog, 1<sup>st</sup> 3 weeks of months we read meters in Jan, April, July & Oct, Dogs, & exotic animals have to be secured, have access to meters & fence, you have to secure door b/c we can't guarantee what day we're going to be there or how often we are going to be here in month, might even be a couple of days before but property didn't have any warning & that he went in, said village board of trustees, Village of Washingtonville President reserves right at any time it will alter men makes a good rule. Office at Village & every person by them delegated for purpose they'll have free access at any time, old parks are building structure & premises where Village Water is being used or has been introduced, that is for meter readers to go in 169-29 Sub date of Village Code, we don't want these guys getting bit, I don't think you want to deal w/it on homeowners insurance, please secure dogs, they don't get there & a commercial, we had trouble at Brotherhood Plaza w/commercial properties stacking boxes in front of region. Need to be able to read meter, if not, you are going to get estimated bill, you aren't going to like b/c we have to get in there to read meter so you can't, especially w/businesses, you can't pile boxes in front of reader, thank you.

#### **4E DISCUSSION – PROCEDURES & RESPONSIBILITY—REGARDING INSPECTION, REPAIR & FLUSHING OF HYDRANTS:**

**PL:** Cornwall, Chester, etc. flushed hydrants to make sure they work; need to figure out what hydrants work; need to decide who's responsible; PM Program for Virus;

**RC:** I agree w/Paul, could help w/water problems @ JCO;

**JB: JCO's responsibility; Chris Finnegan contacted Gary Hearn; there's a fire, needs to let JCO know; his license;**

**PL: Haven't done it in so long; hydrant outside my house doesn't work; 1 alongside Betty's/Frontier doesn't work; when they flush them, open/close it; figure out if we need to pay JCO extra for flushing hybrids?**

**?: Check hydrants, make sure they work, lubricate threats, important, has been done, should be done every year, sometimes an incident where you can't get caps off; part of program is lubricating, making sure it opens up; only time we find out they don't work is when there is an emergency & not appropriate time to find out;**

**JB: Well @ Memorial Park, \$100,000 to fill; good use for DPW, fill up sweeper; not drinkable, wash streets, WFD, fill up tank trucks; 80 gallons per minute;**

**COURT COMPUTERS – MAYOR JOSEPH BUCCO:**

**Voucher – PC Surgeon: \$3052 for Courts; anything courts buy goes through village board for approval; somebody has to pay for computers; asking court to reimburse us \$3052. 4 computers in hardware's slash workstation; no monitors; Trustee Laudato found another company totaling \$5367, if we can get breakdown; still need 3 prices & prior approval;**

**EMPLOYEES – PAY RAISES – VILLAGE CLERKS OFFICE – MAYOR JOSEPH BUCCO:**

**Trustee Laudato made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sampson to approve the pay raises of the water clerk at a pay of \$15.50, the receptionist clerk and accounts payable at a pay of \$14.00. 3 Ayes, 1 Nays.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**No public comment.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Deputy Mayor Lang made a motion, seconded by Trustee Laudato to adjourn.**

**END OF MTG— S.F.**

