

**VILLAGE OF CHEBANSE
REGULAR MEETING, 7 PM
275 S. OAK ST.
OCTOBER 20, 2014**

President Dubuque called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and announced the Village would be taping. Kathy Washington/Clifton Advocate took notes.

Roll Call: **Present:** Trustees Beherns, Kuntz, LaReau, Mathy, Perzee and Snyder. President Dubuque and Clerk Imhauser
 Others: James Smith/Maintenance and Attorney Michael Donahue

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Regular Minutes: Motion by Trustee Mathy second by Trustee Snyder to accept the regular meeting minutes for October 6, 2014. Vote: 6 yes

Water committee Minutes: Motion by Trustee Kuntz, second by Trustee LaReau to accept the water committee meeting minutes for October 15, 2014. Vote: 3 yes

Treasurers Report: Motion by Trustee Perzee second by Trustee Snyder to accept the Treasurers report for October 7 to October 20, 2014. Vote: 6 yes

Bill Statement: Motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Mathy to pay the bills dated October 20, 2014. Vote: 6 yes

Unfinished Business:

2014 Homecoming: Reviewed bills that are still open, the Emling Canvas for two tents and Sanders Security. With no other issues, subject will be removed from the agenda.

Tractor Pull: We are waiting to hear from Lukow Bros on a date for the Tractor Pull in 2015. They are discussing dates in July, 2015.

Kitchen Upgrade: Discussion on upgrading the kitchen at the Civic Center and the cost. James Smith/Maintenance to check into what could be done and report back to the board. Suggestion to have the Civic Center put in money and also the General Fund.

Question if there were any problems with the wrestling event that was held there. President Dubuque advised not to his knowledge. He had discussed the event for details with the organizer and felt that everything was okay.

Santa Visit: President Dubuque advised that because the Santa Train is no longer stopping in Chebanse, there has been movement to have something at the Civic Center. James Smith/Maintenance has been collecting items for decorating the Civic Center and having a Santa house and chair. Last year the Village provided \$200 to Otto Township Fire Dept. for the Santa Train. Otto Township Fire has put in \$500.00 in the past and supplied apples and oranges. Smith indicated that they (Otto Fire) will be supplying apples and oranges again. Plans for Santa are being made and it's not known if that will be donated or not. A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Mathy to put \$500.00 towards the Santa Visit at the Civic Center. Vote: 6 yes

Date is December 13th from 1 pm to 3 pm Discussion on advertising for the Santa Visit.

Air Logic/Agreement: President Dubuque advised that he sent an email asking for pictures and haven't heard from him as of yet.

Water Termination: Tabled to the next meeting.

Police Patrols/Oak & George Sts: Trustee LaReau reported that a child was almost hit by a truck while getting his grandmothers mail. Discussion on speeding, stopping at stop signs by all traffic. LaReau asked that tickets be issued. LaReau indicated that President Dubuque advised county not to write tickets. President Dubuque advised he did not tell county to not write tickets, he advised them for residents to issue a warning first and if it continues to give them a ticket. President Dubuque will contact County to discuss. Discussion on placing a pre-warning stop sign in the area, and also the ability for village officials to write a violation/ordinance ticket.

Committees:

Water: Trustee Kuntz reported on his committee meeting held on Wednesday, October 15th. Discussions were held on freezing water lines, water meter replacements and future water projects. Regarding freezing water lines – 1) sending letters out to those that froze up last year, 2) putting information on the sign, and 3) if someone is froze up – looking at each on a case by case basis. For water meter replacements – discussion on starting to replace current meters at 10 years and the cost of a meter. The meters were started in 2009. Clerk Imhauser reported that there is approximately \$1,500/month going into the OMR fund for water right now. Cost of a meter replacement is \$125.00. The newer style has a warranty of ten years and twenty years pro-rated. Lastly future water projects are cleaning of the water storage tank and to also place sump pit in it. The outside of the ground storage tank is fine. Regarding the water tower, an inspection should be completed soon. Also consideration to be given to a 3 phase generator at the main well house. Clerk Imhauser reported that a letter regarding the cathodic protection was received and its due to be done in 2015. This is being reviewed by Water Superintendent Swinford and will then be placed on the agenda.

Streets: Trustee Snyder called a streets/alley meeting for Monday, November 3rd at 6:30 pm

Village Officers:

Clerk: Clerk Imhauser reminded that petitions will be ready to be picked up and turned in during the latter part of December for the April 7, 2015 election.

IMLRMA sent a newsletter for review.

Regarding the scarecrows- Imhauser asked about keeping the cross frames up during the Christmas season and have individuals make a donation to the Food Pantry and decorate the cross frames with a wreath.

Maintenance: None

New Business:

TIF Ordinance: Attorney Donahue passed out a draft of the ordinance to terminate the TIF. Discussion on the timing of the monies that have come in, the process to be taken and if monies could still go towards any work in that district. Donahue will gather more information as he will be in touch with the county treasurer's office on how to proceed. Board members reviewed the draft ordinance. Attorney Donahue advised he would have the information for the next board meeting.

Leaf Bags: Discussion on purchasing leaf bags. Cost is \$2.50 per bag. A motion by Trustee Perzee, second by Trustee LaReau to purchase 1,000 leaf bags at \$2.50 each out of the Refuse Disposal Account. Vote: 6 yes

Dumpster: Discussion on bringing in a dumpster to use at the Civic Center for a cleanup day. This is to get rid of old things that have been stored there. A motion by trustee Perzee, second by Trustee Mathy to get a dumpster for the Civic Center for cleanup day with a cap of \$400.00 out of the Civic Center fund. Vote: 6 yes

MFT/2014: Clerk Imhauser reported that the allotted 500 labor hours for street maintenance has been used and has put together a resolution for an additional 300 hours @ \$20.00 per hour. A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Snyder to revise the Motor Fuel for 2014. Vote: 6 yes

Animal Control: Clerk Imhauser reported that Iroquois County Animal Control is asking to redo the agreement that the Village has with them. Changes are: fee schedule, agreement dates and adding in mileage costs. Attorney Donahue will review the agreement.

Communications: President Dubuque read:

- 13 and under Halloween Dance at the Civic Center on Friday, October 31, 2014
- Comcast letter

Public Comment: President Dubuque thanked those that worked on the scarecrow display.

A motion by Trustee Beherns second by Trustee Perzee to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes of the October 20, 2014 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse respectfully submitted by Clerk Trudie Imhauser.

____Trudie Imhauser_____ Signed

____11-3-14_____ Date