

The regular meeting of the Village of Margaretville Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Hubbell at 5:00 pm on February 16, 2021 in the Village Offices, 773 Main Street, Margaretville, New York. The following members were in attendance:

John Hubbell	Mayor
Iris Mead	Trustee
Sarah Scully	Trustee
Jeffrey Warren	Trustee

Also in attendance were Mike Martin and Jesse Hilson.

All unanimous votes are unanimous without the Mayor voting unless otherwise noted

Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Scully and seconded by Trustee Mead to accept the minutes of the January 19, 2021 and February 2, 2021 meetings as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Hubbell asked the public in attendance for any comment. There was none.

OLD BUSINESS

NY RISING UPDATES

Mayor Hubbell reported the following on the New York Rising projects:

MFD and DPW Facility Improvements:

Nothing has changed with the status on this project.

Binnekill Bulkhead, Levee Repair and Improvement:

We are still in the permitting phase.

Gateway Study Implementation Plan:

We are waiting on the paperwork needed to secure easements for the following properties along the Binnekill stream: Zappi's, Inc., Big Indian Partners, Tanzer, Lam and Tischmacher.

Scott Brook:

Due to weather, the pre-bid site visit was changed to February 9, 2021 at 10 am. There were 9 construction companies attending. The date that the bids are due, and the bid opening has been changed to February 19, 2021 at 2 pm.

Bull Run Channel Streambank Restoration, Retaining Wall Repair & Bridge Replacement

The engineers are finishing up the final revisions to the design and altering the permitting to accommodate those revisions. The project will be concentrated on the East side with one property on the West side.

PHASE 4 UPDATES

Indoor dining capacities have been increased and hours of operation have been extended.

WORKERS COMPENSATION BOARD COVERAGE OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Mead and seconded by Trustee Warren to authorize the Mayor to sign and submit form U-435 to bring the Village Clerk, Deputy Village Clerk, Treasurer and Code Enforcement Officer under the coverage of the NYS Workers Compensation Law with respect to all Workers Compensation policies issued to the Village of Margaretville. The motion passed unanimously.

STANDARD WORKDAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Trustee Warren and seconded by Trustee Mead to offer the following resolution. The motion passed unanimously with Mayor Hubbell voting in and Trustee Scully abstaining in this instance.

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS RESOLUTION #02162103

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Margaretville hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Standard Work Day (hrs/day)	Term Begins/Ends	Participates in Employer’s Time Keeping System	Days/Month (based on record of Activities)
Elected Officials					
Trustee	Sarah Scully	7	04/19-04/21	N	.57

Appointed Officials

CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS PLAN

A motion was made by Trustee Warren and seconded by Trustee Scully to offer the following resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 02162101
ADOPTION OF THE VILLAGE OF MARGARETVILLE
CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS PLAN SPECIFIC TO A PUBLIC HEALTH
EMERGENCY INVOLVING A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE**

WHEREAS, the spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has caused a public health emergency throughout the United States and indeed the world; and
WHEREAS, said pandemic has resulted in a number of changes to operations of local governments as a result of previously unforeseen conditions and impacts; and
WHEREAS, amendments to the NYS Labor Law Education Law require all public employers to be prepared for a public health emergency involving a communicable disease by requiring the

drafting and publication of a Continuation of Operations Plan for use during such an emergency; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Margaretville has prepared a Continuation of Operations Plan and has afforded all applicable duly recognized or certified representatives of the Village of Margaretville employees an opportunity to comment and provide input on the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Margaretville has adopted the above referenced Continuation of Operations Plan, effective November 17, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the finalized plan be published in conspicuous locations within the Village as well as on the municipal website and employee handbook (if applicable)

APPLICATION FOR PAVILION USE

Currently the village is not accepting applications for the use of the park and pavilion due to COVID-19. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Scully and seconded by Trustee Mead to allow use of the Village of Margaretville park and pavilion for outdoor events again as long as any Covid-19 guidelines in place at the time of event including occupancy limits are followed. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee Mead and seconded by Trustee Warren to approve the application submitted by the Central Catskills Chamber of Commerce for the 17th Annual Margaretville Cauliflower Festival to be held on September 25, 2021, as long as any Covid-19 restrictions in place at the time of the event including occupancy limits are adhered to. The motion passed unanimously.

OVERNIGHT PARKING

A motion was made by Trustee Warren and seconded by Trustee Mead to offer the following resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION No. 02162102

Overnight Parking Within the Limits of the Village of Margaretville

WHEREAS, In the interest of keeping the streets and parking lots open in the Village of Margaretville during the winter months for all to use, the Village Board held a public informational meeting to hear comments and suggestions from the public; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, there will be no parking in the Municipal parking lot on Walnut Street behind the Village office between the hours of 11:00PM and 7:00AM, from November 1 through April 1.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED parking will be in the Binnekill parking lot off Bridge Street as follows: North side of lot (Closest to Binnekill stream) will be on odd numbered days. Parking will be in the south side of lot (Closest to Delaware River) on even numbered days from November 1 through April 1.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED There will be no overnight parking at any time in the Village park unless permitted by the Village of Margaretville for special events.

OTHER

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

Mayor Hubbell reported that he has talked to numerous attorneys to replace the village's current attorney but has not been able to find one yet. He is continuing to reach out.

SHORT TERM RENTAL RENEWAL AFFIDAVIT

A motion was made by Trustee Mead and seconded by Trustee Scully to approve the short-term rental renewal affidavit updated in January 2021 as presented for renewal of short-term rental permits in lieu of the completion of a full application each year. The motion passed unanimously.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FOLLOW UP

There was further discussion concerning the purchase of new Christmas decorations for Main Street. It was suggested to replace at least five.

A motion was made by Trustee Warren and seconded by Trustee Scully to move forward on the Christmas lights, budgeting up to \$5,000.00 for additional/replacement decorations. The motion passed unanimously.

GRANTS

Mayor Hubbell reported that grants are being pursued for the following:

- A Pre-Application has been submitted to the Delaware Watershed Stream Management Implementation Program for a Stream Restoration/Stormwater Quality/Flood Damage Prevention project on the Binnekill Stream from the Cemetery Road bridge east to the bulkhead.
- A Pre-Applications has been submitted to the Delaware Watershed Stream Management Implementation Program for a Stream Restoration/Stormwater Quality/Flood Damage Prevention project on the Delaware River for gravel removal across from the school east of Fair Street bridge.
- A Delaware County Tourism Promotion & Development Grant Application has been submitted for a 1:1 matching grant to improve the ballpark restrooms.
- A Consolidated Funding Application will be submitted for a Community Development Block Grant for Community Planning through the NYS Office of Homes and Community Renewal to seek funding to upgrades to the village water system, focusing on water tank replacement and system controls.

The board offered no objections to pursuing these funding opportunities.

PAY BILLS

Voucher #'s 201-231 in the amount of \$18,276.27 were audited and approved for payment.

ADJOURN MEETING

A motion was made by Trustee Scully and seconded by Trustee Mead to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen McMurray
Village Clerk