

The regular meeting of the Village of Margaretville Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Hubbell at 5:00 pm on October 19, 2021 in the Village Offices, 773 Main Street, Margaretville, New York. The following members were in attendance:

John Hubbell	Mayor
Dave Budin	Trustee
Iris Mead	Trustee
Jeffrey Warren	Trustee

Also in attendance was 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 Budin and seconded by Trustee Mead to accept the minutes of the September 21, 2021 meetings as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Mayor asked those in attendance for public 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:**

Mayor Hubbell has reached out to 6 contractors for estimates for the privacy fence and the façade wall, received one verbal quote on the fence only. He is waiting on comments from GOSR on how to proceed.

A motion was made by Trustee Budin and seconded by Trustee Mead to approve payment in the amount of \$134,080.00 to Blizzard Electric, Inc. for Contractor's Application for Payment #2 dated 09/22/2021 as recommended by RAM-TECH Engineers for the FD & DPW Facility Improvements project upon the approval of the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Binnekill Bulkhead, Levee Repair and Improvement:**

All gravel material has been removed, topsoil delivered and waiting for weather to finish project.

#### **Gateway Study Implementation Plan:**

No change to the status of this project.

#### **Scotts Brook:**

Guardrail has been installed. Contractor needs to plant shrubs and trees when received.

A motion was made by Trustee Budin and seconded by Trustee Mead to approve payment in the amount of \$62,268.59.50 to Hubbell, Inc. for Contractor's Application for Payment #3 dated 09/30/2021 as recommended by Keystone Associates for the Scott Brook Culvert Repair project upon the approval of the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Bull Run Channel Streambank Restoration and Retaining Wall Repair**

Work adjacent to the Christian Center near Main Street Bridge has been completed. Block has arrived and being stored on Orchard Street. Contractor is in the stream working.

A motion was made by Trustee Budin and seconded by Trustee Mead to approve payment in the amount of \$6,468.00 to MJ Engineering & Land Surveying, P.C. for invoice #16 dated 09/24/2021 for engineering services on the Bull Run Debris Removal and Retaining Wall Repair project upon the approval of the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery. The motion passed unanimously.

### **ARPA FUNDS**

Mayor Hubbell notified the board that the village may not be using the funding for the new phone system, as much of the installation was provided at no charge.

Mayor Hubbell suggested that the board consider using some of the funding for water system improvements and after discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Mead and seconded by Trustee Budin to use the 2021 installment of the ARPA funding for preliminary engineering for water system improvements as per Lamont Engineers proposal dated October 19, 2021 for Project No. 2021016, Task #1 Development of a preliminary engineer's report in the amount of \$28,550.00 in preparation for Task #'s 2 and 3 of the same proposal.

### **DEP STREAMSIDE ACQUISITION PROGRAM**

No new information was discussed concerning this issue, and no action was taken.

### **GRANTS**

#### **SOIL & WATER**

Mayor Hubbell reported on a meeting with Delaware County Soil and Water held on October 14, 2021 concerning funding for the cleaning of the Binnekil Stream from the Bulkhead to the dam and the removal of gravel from the East Branch in front of the Margaretville Central School. Preliminary discussion suggested possibly moving ahead with the cleaning of the Binnekil Stream, but hold off on the East Branch gravel removal, as more study is needed at that site. No decision has been made by Soil & Water at this time.

#### **WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACE (WIIA)**

No discussion was had concerning this issue, and no action was taken.

### **PAVILION USE APPLICATION**

A motion was made by Trustee Budin and seconded by Trustee Warren to approve the application submitted by Margaretville Central School for the use of the Margaretville Park and Pavilion on a date to be determined (was originally requested for October 15, but had to be postponed) after the soccer sectional games for the boys and girls soccer teams gathering and possible bonfire 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.

A motion was made by Trustee Budin and seconded by Trustee Warren to approve the application submitted by the Catskill Forest Association for the use of the Margaretville Park and Pavilion on July 30, 2022 for the 11th annual Catskill Forest Association 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.

### **LABORER POSITION**

After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Warren and seconded by Trustee Mead to place an advertisement in the newspaper for a laborer position to replace a retiring employee. The motion passed unanimously.

### **TOWING CONTRACT**

A draft copy of a contract agreement to allow the removal, towing and storage of improperly parked vehicles in the village was reviewed by the board. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Mead and seconded by Trustee Budin to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement once approved by the Village Attorney.

### **OTHER**

Mayor Hubbell asked the public in attendance for comment, there was none.

### **HANDOUTS**

The following handouts were distributed and discussed:

**CRC Cross Mountain Crusher:** Bicycle race being held October 23, 2021

**Comprehensive Broadband Connectivity Act:** New section to Public Service Law concerning high-speed internet and broadband services in NY State. Surveys made available to public.

**DOT Bridge Work Notification:** Maintenance Schedule for Route 30 Bridge over the East Branch in the village anticipated in the spring of 2022.

**NYMIR Cyber Coverage Program Changes:** NYMIR will be making changes to their cyber program effective with December 1, 2021 renewals.

### **PAY BILLS**

Voucher #'s 96-118 in the amount of \$12,086.01 were audited and approved for payment.

### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Trustee Budin and seconded by Trustee Mead to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen McMurray  
Deputy Village Clerk