The regular meeting of the Village of Margaretville Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Hubbell at 5:00pm on November 19, 2024, in the Village Offices, 773 Main Street, Margaretville, NY. The following members were in attendance.

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

Also in attendance was Morgan Spaulding.

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

Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approving last month, October 15, 2024 minutes.
Trustee Mead so moved to accept as presented, and Trustee Budin seconded. All in favor.

Public Comment
None

Old Business

a. Water System Upgrade – Close to closing on the piece of property for the tank behind hospital. We may have to have an emergency meeting for a resolution to sign off making the land owned by the hospital during the construction of the village's new tank. The village will hold two pieces of property. Keeping the original plot until after the project is done before we turn it back over. We are going to keep the tank online until the new one is in place and all the repairs and upgrades are done to the reservoir and Bull Run before, we decommission the tank. We will have two pieces of land up there for a while. That's the part the lawyers are working on now.
b. Everyone received a note from the Town of Walton regarding sales tax. The Consul of Mayors trying to obtain a portion of what the county receives for the state every year. Last year, it started coming to fruition, there will be a meeting tomorrow, Nov 20th, 2024. All the villages and towns that have villages: 5 towns in Delaware County have villages. Middletown has two villages; they are the only one who has more than one village. There may be other supervisors there that have shown interest. It probably won't be this current year. It will work out to be in 2026 Budget. If we can get it in place that would be great. Mayor Hubbell believes at the meeting it was said 25%

of the sales tax is marked to go to Solid Waste Management. $11m was transferred in to buy the new composter. It's been a couple of years collecting it. The proposal to the supervisors is 12% of the total tax dollars per year would be distributed among the villages and towns.

c. A letter required by the Dept of Health was sent out to those that do not know whether their inflow of water comes in by lead lines. If we were not sure we had to notify them by letter by Nov 15. We sent it out well before the Nov 15th date. We will see what is next.

New Business

As of this morning, we put all three water systems on a water conservation watch. The County went into that this afternoon, with the Dept. of Health. We have been watching it closely. We lost 3' of water in the basin. We put a notice out. We want to remind everyone if we get a fair amount of water, it nowhere is going to make up the difference right away.

A reminder that Delaware County has a burn ban on all fires; No controlled fires, campfires or any outside burning in the county, cause it's so dry.

The Mayor this week will be meeting with Delaware Engineers regarding the road damage going out of the Village, County 3 and Main St., a whole part of the street is missing. There is a drain underneath, it's an older drain with an old thimble and the thimble was blowen out. FEMA wanted an engineer to evaluate before fixing it.

Holiday on Main St is on Saturday, Nov 30th. We are putting the tree up Tuesday, November 26th so we can decorate.

By the 1st of the year, we are going to have to change our Catskill.net email accounts.

Drain on Swart St. in front of Mary's house is a bad storm drain, the Mayor has been working with CWC that was one of the cellar sump pump drains put in years ago. They are laid with concrete blocks and overtime the salt deteriorated the blocks and started to collapse. We are trying to get CWC to allow us some of the money to upgrade these drains. Trustee Warren said the house after him, 438 the drain in front of the house has a collapse drain all the side stones have fallen in. Mayor said there is money in a fund that allows us to clean, with the vacuum truck, out the drains every year.

Pay Bills

Bills **#119 - #151** Grand total $53,387.49 were audited and approved by the Village Board for payment.

ADJOURN MEETING

Mayor Hubbell asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Mead made the motion and Trustee Budin seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:39pm. All in favor.

Noreen La Bonte
Village Clerk