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MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022
6:30 P.M.

EDWARD SIM
DEPUTY MAYOR

PATTY SCHWARZ LOCKART
TRUSTEE

JAMES M. RUBINO
TRUSTEE
ART WHITE
TRUSTEE

JAMIE BLOT
CLERK

Mayor Tobin opened the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees at 6:33 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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| Roll Call: | Mayor Tobin | Present |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Present |
| | Trustee Lockart | Present |
| | Trustee Rubino | Present |
| | Trustee White | Present |
| | Clerk Blot | Present |

Minutes of the public hearing held on April 4, 2022, regarding Resolution 2021-103, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

A motion was made by Trustee Lockart to approve the minutes.

Motion seconded by Trustee White.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Yes |
| | Mayor Tobin | Yes |

Motion passed.

Minutes of the regularly scheduled board meeting that was held on April 4, 2022, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor to approve the minutes.

Motion seconded by Trustee Rubino.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Yes |
| | Mayor Tobin | Yes |

Motion passed.

Code officer Rivera presented the annual MS4 report to the board and any public that was present. He had copies available, and stated that a copy was also available on the Village website. Deputy Mayor Sim asked if this report was for the Village outfalls? To which, officer Rivera said it was, and it was also for post construction inspections for water runoff. He added that the report is due by June 1.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Sim to approve Resolution 2022-21 “Transfer of funds from the capital reserve length of service award fund to the operating budget”.
Motion seconded by Trustee White.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Yes |
| | Mayor Tobin | Yes |

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee White to approve Resolution 2022-22 “Adoption of the Village of Colonie 2022-2023 budget”.
Motion seconded by Trustee Lockart.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Yes |
| | Mayor Tobin | Yes |

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Lockart to approve Resolution 2022-23 “Penalty waive request – 11 Gabriel Way & 19 Vics Court”.
Motion seconded by Trustee White.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Yes |
| | Mayor Tobin | Yes |

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Rubino to approve Resolution 2022-24 “Water adjustment #3 April 2022 – 26 Sunset Boulevard”.
Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Sim.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |

Deputy Mayor Sim Yes
Mayor Tobin Yes

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee White to approve Resolution 2022-25 “Water adjustment #4 April 2022 – 37 Vly Road”.

Motion seconded by Trustee Lockart.

VOTE: Trustee Lockart Yes
 Trustee Rubino Yes
 Trustee White Yes
 Deputy Mayor Sim Yes
 Mayor Tobin Yes

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Sim to approve Resolution 2022-26 “Water adjustment #5 April 2022 – 7 Sharon Drive.”

Motion seconded by Trustee White.

VOTE: Trustee Lockart Yes
 Trustee Rubino Yes
 Trustee White Yes
 Deputy Mayor Sim Yes
 Mayor Tobin Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot mentioned they received a card from resident, Marilyn Peckham, of Parkwood Drive, who always send a nice card in with her payments, and that the staff look forward to. Ms. Peckham mentioned she looks forward to the Centennial celebration events, especially the dinner.

Trustee Rubino mentioned that he is also looking forward to the Centennial celebration events.

Mayor Tobin mentioned that the Easter parade was over the weekend, and went great. He also mentioned that this Saturday is opening day for the Little League season. The opening starts at 9:00 a.m.

Resident Maureen Lee of Hialeah Drive was present with fellow neighbors to state concerns with the former Redwood Lanes bowling alley, located at 1541 Central Avenue. Ms. Lee stated that property has been deteriorating for 18 years, and has really excelled with issues since it was purchased several years ago. There is a lot of garbage on the property, especially in the back. She was hoping to come up with a plan and some dates to be able to address the issues and have the owners address the state of the property.

Mayor Tobin said he has been speaking with Code Officers Meservey and Rivera on the matter. Code Officer Meservey said he has attempted to speak with the owners regarding the property,

there is a bit of a language barrier. He also spoke to the owners of Delmonico's, who has a trailer located on the property, which they said they would relocate. The owner of Delmonico's also said they would get rid of the trash in the back area, even though it is not their trash to remove. Both Officer Rivera and Meservey encouraged the residents to contact them if they see anything that needs to be addressed. They said they would be making rounds more frequently to ensure that the property is being maintained. Officer Meservey also said we try to handle the property maintenance concerns in-house as much as we can, to avoid court fees and ultimately the court sometimes ends up prolonging the process.

Resident Rich Stack asked if anyone from the codes department has been inside the building, to which they have not. Mr. Stack seemed to think at one time that the building flooded and there may be substantial water/water damage inside the building.

Code Officer Meservey thought they were using the building as storage.

Another resident mentioned concerns with garbage being put out 2-3 days ahead of time and it was ending up all over the neighborhood, to which Officer Meservey said he could address that with the owner.

Resident Sophie stated they are parking cars under the overhang and blocking the doors, which she believes is a fire hazard, to which Officer Meservey stated that it is. Sophie also addressed concerns with 1539 Central Avenue, there seems to be some late-night activity going on there, and she's seen kids there around midnight sometimes. Sophie also mentioned that there is a lot of garbage piled on 2 Nicholas Drive.

Resident Millie Powers of Nicholas Drive also stated that the beginning of the entrance to the neighborhood is an embarrassment and an eyesore. She added that the value of all the properties in the area are going downhill because of this.

Ms. Lee asked what would constitute condemning 1541 Central Avenue? To which, Officer Meservey said he would need to see structural issues to proceed with that. He added that the current issues are all exterior issues, and cosmetic.

A resident also mentioned concern with the foot spa located in that area, to which Steve said he would look into the concerns raised. He will also pull the planning file to check to see what they were approved for to make sure they are operating within their approval.

Resident Wayne Smith of Tanglewood Road was present to state concerns with water run off/drainage in front of his house. Mayor Tobin stated we will have our Department of Public Works look into it. Deputy Mayor Sim added that Tanglewood Road is on our list to be paved, so we can do something to temporarily fix the issue, and then address it when we do the paving.

Mr. Stevens asked about the potential for the school bus garage to be located to Watervliet Shaker Road, he saw an article in the paper about it. Deputy Mayor Sim said that when the Army Corp. of Engineers did the study of the land in the industrial park, only 12 acres of the 57 were going to be able to be developed on, so they are seeking other possible avenues, in case that doesn't come into fruition.

The following reports were submitted:

Senior lunch report 4/4/2022-4/8/2022

Senior lunch report 4/11/2022-4/15/2022

Senior rev. vs. exp. 3/28/2022-4/8/2022

Abstract #22 breakdown:

General: \$ 53,158.47

Water: \$ 2,037.66

Sewer: \$ 8,593.49

Total: \$ 63,789.62

A motion was made by Trustee Lockart to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Trustee White.

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| VOTE: | Trustee Lockart | Yes |
| | Trustee Rubino | Yes |
| | Trustee White | Yes |
| | Deputy Mayor Sim | Yes |
| | Mayor Tobin | Yes |

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie L. Blot
Village Clerk
Village of Colonie