

MAYOR TRAVER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00PM AND LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call	Trustee Carpenter, Trustee Williams, Trustee Boucher, Mayor Traver Absent- Trustee Perry
Highway	
Police	Justin Derway
Code	Dave Armando
Attorney	Matt Fuller
Public	Peter C. Amorosi, Jeanie Mullen, Gwen Craig, Nasser Awadeh

THESE ARE NOT OFFICIALLY ADOPTED MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO BOARD AND STAFF REVISIONS. ANY REVISIONS WILL APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING MONTHS MINUTES AND WILL STATE SUCH APPROVAL OF SAID MINUTES.

MINUTES

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY MINUTES WAS MADE BY:
 Trustee **Boucher**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Carpenter**.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes VB Monthly Mtg. November 5, 2018

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY REPORTS WAS MADE BY:
 Trustee **Boucher**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Carpenter**
 Clerk/Treasurer, Village Justice, Police Chief, Street and Water Department, Groundskeeper, Code Enforcement.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Accept the Audit of Monthly Bills
 MOTION BY Trustee **Williams**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Carpenter**.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

AUDIT OF BILLS	PAY BEFORE AUDIT #7		AUDIT #7			
General Fund	\$	19,010.73	General Fund	\$ 173,694.36	Phase IV (Grant \$\$)	\$
Water Fund	\$	2,998.90	Water Fund	\$ 21,115.63	Phase IV Chazen (Cumby's)	\$
					HUD/CT Male	\$

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #50 OF 2018-2019
State Snow & Ice Control Program

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby enter into an agreement with Washington County for participation in the State Snow and Ice Control Program for the 2018-2019 winter season and authorizes the Superintendent of Public Works to execute documents pertaining to same.

MOTION BY Trustee **Carpenter**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Williams**

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #51 OF 2018-2019

Appointment of Full Time Police Officers

WHEREAS, Michael Squires was previously appointed a part-time police officer by Resolution # 85 of 2017 -2018 and is in good standing with the department; and John Hogan who was previously appointed a part-time police officer by Resolution # 32 of 2018-2019 and is good standing with the department

WHEREAS, Michael Squires and John Hogan are currently enrolled in the part time police academy sponsored by the Fort Edward Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, effective December 3, 2018 the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby conditionally appoint Michael Squires and John Hogan to the position of full-time permanent police officer at \$15.00 per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as of December 3, 2018, Michael Squires and John Hogan are entitled to the terms, conditions and benefits as outlined in the current Fort Edward Police Benevolent Association's contract effective June 1, 2018 - May 31, 2021.

MOTION BY Trustee **Boucher**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Williams**

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #52 OF 2018-2019

Unpaid Village Taxes for the Fiscal Year of 2018-2019

WHEREAS, §1442 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law allows for unpaid Village Taxes to be turned over to the Washington County Treasurer by November 15, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer's office accepted payment of unpaid Village Taxes until November 30, 2018, and any further unpaid Village Taxes will be relieved upon the 2019 Town/County tax bills; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk-Treasurer has sent to the Washington County Treasurer the 2018-2019 unpaid Village Taxes to be relieved on the 2019 Town/County tax bills in the amount of **\$413,735.38** and the County will make the Village whole on April 1, 2019.

MOTION BY Trustee **Boucher**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Carpenter**

ALL AYES MOTION CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

- The no parking signs on Mechanic and Seminary Street will be installed by the end of the week. There was a discussion on the signs to be installed on Marion Street. Mayor Traver mentioned that no parking on the north side of the street is in the Village code book so this should not be an issue.
- There was a discussion on the parking signs to be put in front of Slick Fin's brewery at 149 Broadway. We will contact the New York State Department of Transportation concerning this. There was a No Parking to the Corner sign in front of 151 Broadway that has been knocked down. We are looking to have that sign replaced and also get signs on the West Side to the Baptist Church and the East Side from 134 Broadway to the corner restricting parking to 2 hours from 6:00 am – 6:00 pm.
- Trustee Boucher said that the proposed deal for the sale of the water tower currently in the King Edward Knolls has fallen through. We will explore other options because there may be a market out there for such an item. It may be worth advertising this because it is in great shape and could be a real asset to some community.
- Nasser Awadeh inquired about any potential grants for Broadway. We have not applied for any such type grants since 2009. There are downtown revitalization grants that are available and should be looked into. We will check with Jim Thatcher to explore all possible avenues. Trustee Williams mentioned that the LDC is exploring how other villages of the same size market their vacant buildings to potential businesses. The new brewery is a start but we definitely need other businesses to help improve the appearance of downtown Broadway.

- Dave Armando gave an update on the condition of the property at 138-140 Broadway. There is a small leak between the common wall between the two buildings. There is a leak running down from the roof to the basement. There are two satellite dishes on top of the roof being anchored by cement blocks. If the roof ever dries out, it was mentioned that it would be a good idea to put some roofing tar on it to hopefully stop some of the water leaks. Dave Armando also mentioned that the back wall of 138 Broadway, which is cement, is starting to crumble.
- Dave Wolfe who operated the amusement rides for Heritage/Happy Days is interested in possibly organizing Heritage Days this summer. We have a facility use permits which he would have to file. There is a concern about what control or input we would have if an outside vendor operated this. He certainly would make money off from this endeavor but is this the type of event that the Village would like. We will contact Dennis Babson to confirm that his organization is not interested in continuing Happy Days this year before any decision is made.
- The Fort Edward Fire Department contacted Mayor Traver about the property the Village owns on Patterson Road for a site to hold a training module. It would require DEC approval for this potential purchase to happen. The Village is not opposed to this, but the Fire Department will have to do all of the legwork.
- There was a discussion on the cost of the recycling dumpster located behind the Village office. Trustee Boucher mentioned that there are people using it who are not Village residents. We will try to monitor it more closely to see who is actually using this service. We could possibly contact the Town of Fort Edward to see if we got another dumpster if they would be interested in sharing the cost. It is a service that many Village residents find very helpful. The Village Clerk will examine the last two years to see what the expenditures are and how much was budgeted. .
- There was a discussion on the business across from the Village barn. They take all sort of metal but it has turned into basically, a huge junk yard. Dave Armando will contact the owners and have them clean up the property.
- The owners of the property at 13 West Summit Street would like to donate this piece of property to the Village. Matt Fuller will draw up the appropriate paperwork to accept this parcel as a donation.

MOTION BY Trustee **Williams**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Carpenter**

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

- Updates- The issues at 10 Cooper Street (Shaun Condon) and 35 Burgoyne Avenue (James McIntosh) have been turned over to the Village Court.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45PM and go into Executive Session was made by **Trustee Boucher**, SECONDED BY **Trustee Williams**. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and return to the Regular Meeting was made by **Trustee Boucher**, SECONDED BY **Trustee Carpenter**. All AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:02 PM was made by **Trustee Carpenter**, SECONDED BY **Trustee Williams**. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter C. Amorosi, Clerk-Treasurer

