

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

Roll Call	Trustee Boucher, Trustee Carpenter, Trustee Cutler, Trustee Williams, Mayor Traver
Highway	Bryan Etu
Police	Chief Justin Derway,
Code	Dave Armando
Water	
Attorney	Matt Fuller
Public	Peter Amorosi, Janelle Rose, Jim Thatcher, Evan Lawrence, Greg VanGrouw, Fred Baxstrom, Gary Hill

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 **Williams**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Cutler**.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes	VB Monthly Meeting- February 1, 2021
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REPORTS

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY REPORTS WAS MADE BY:
 Trustee **Carpenter**. SECONDED BY Trustee **Williams**.

Clerk/Treasurer, Village Justice, Police Chief, Street and Water Department, Code Enforcement.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Accept the Audit of **Monthly Bills**

MOTION BY Trustee **Cutler**. SECONDED BY Trustee **Carpenter**.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Abstract #10</u>	<u>Pay Before Audit #10</u>	<u>Comments</u>
General Fund	\$20,098.28	\$10,465.82)
Water Fund	\$ 2,729.27	\$ 5,739.73	
Air Stripper			

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 28 of 2020-2021

PEDDLING & SOLICITING PERMIT, MR. DING-A-LING

Motion By Trustee Cutler
Seconded By Trustee Williams
Dated March 1, 2021

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby approve the Peddling & Soliciting permit for Mr. Brian Collis who operates Mr. Ding-A-Ling Ice Cream; and

WHEREAS, the approved days of operation are Monday - Sunday and the hours of operation are 11:00AM to 9:00PM from April to October; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will not be able to work in the Village of Fort Edward during Locktoberfest in October.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 29 OF 2020-2021

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING VILLAGE OF FORT EDWARD POLICE REFORM AND MODERNIZATION REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by: Trustee Cutler
Seconded by: Trustee Williams

WHEREAS, the Village Board (the "Village Board") of the Village of Fort Edward (the "Village") employs a police department; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order 203 ordered police departments to undertake a comprehensive review of current police deployments, strategies, policies, procedures, and practices, and develop a plan to improve such deployments, strategies, policies, procedures, and practices; and

WHEREAS, a committee comprised of Village residents, officers and members, conducted review sessions of the Village's police department arriving at a report dated February 2021 which has been presented at this meeting and which responds to the Governor's executive order set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board wishes to accept and adopt the recommendations set forth in this report.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Village of Fort Edward Police Reform & Modernization Collaborative's Response to Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order 203, dated February 2021, is hereby accepted by the Village Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby accepts and adopts the recommendations of the report, including but not limited to increased training in procedural justice, evaluation of officer's mental health and wellness, continuing efforts for mental health and addiction assistance in police officer-public interactions, transparency and community involvement, police oversight, and continuing review of police department operations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 4
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

OTHER BUSINESS

- Greg VanGrouw and Fred Baxstrom of Irving Tissue gave a presentation on the plans that Irving Tissue have regarding the potential acquisition of Church Street. Church Street would provide an alternate route for jockeying trucks on their facility. The Eddy Street entrance would still be used, but the trucks would have an alternate route from Eddy Street across to the lower portion of Church Street onto Mill Street into the old Decora parking lot. Irving Tissue would be responsible for all the maintenance of Church Street and there is a possibility of continuing the landscape down Broadway across Church Street which would make it one continuous stretch. Mayor Traver presented the Village's proposal of having the property behind the old Satterlee Hose building converted into a parking lot and also pave the parking lot behind the One More Grill building. Irving Tissue is looking into a land swap, but would be open to looking into other creative options. The Village Board will do additional research and present their findings to Irving Tissue at a later date. .
- Janelle Rose reported that the Town is in the process of updating their server. We have received quotes from Stored Tech, ADK Tech and National Business. The computers in the Village office and the Police Department are operating on Windows 7 and support is basically non-existent. We will get all the quotes together and see if a five year lease is an option. We do not want to have to buy all the new computers at the same time, because the expense could be prohibitive and they would have to be replaced at the same time.
- Gary Hill gave an update on the harvesting of the trees on Reservoir Road. They have removed 3600' of hardwood logs from the property as of now. We have received \$3500.00 as of this meeting. He is very happy with the process so far and they should have two more weeks left to harvest before the weather changes.

There was a discussion on the Champlain Hudson Power Express project. The plan is to go under East Street but there is still major concerns at the present time. The power lines would go across Canal Street and Broadway and onto the railroad bridge over the river. There is a question if the Village would get reimbursed for any engineering costs. Village Attorney Matt Fuller said the proposed resolution that they presented has some issues and needs to be resolved before we adopt this.

- Trustee Boucher reported that people are walking their dogs in front of 117-121 Broadway and the owners are not cleaning up their dogs' business. Code Enforcement Dave Armando will investigate the problem and letters will be sent out to the individuals involved.
- Mayor Traver reported the proposed water project for the Moon Street and surrounding streets is a no go at the present time because of lack of useable responses. This project will be paused for a short time and we may have to extend the project to include Notre Dame Street and Lydius Street.

Motion to adjourn at 8:24 PM by Trustee **Carpenter**. SECONDED BY Trustee **Cutler**. *ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter C. Amorosi, Clerk-Treasurer