VILLAGE OF HYDE PARK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of December 12, 2018

The duly warned regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on December 12, 2018 in the Lanpher Memorial Library.

Trustees Present	**Others Present**
Frederika French, Chair	Carol Robertson, General Manager
Jack Anderson	Jim Mahoney, Esq.
Peter Gallo	Garret Hirchak

The Chair called the meeting to order a 7:00 p.m. and opened the floor for public comments. There were none. The agenda was reviewed and approved with the addition of action on the Planning Commission's request for the appointment of Ken McPherson to the Development Review Board.

The Chair welcomed Jim Mahoney, Esq. and Garret Hirchak. Agenda Item 2. (c) Water and Sewer Applications were brought to the floor. There was a review and discussion of the November 28, 2018 letter from Outback Design, Inc. which detailed potential uses of the property after its purchase by Mr. Hirchak. Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to approve the Water and Sewer District Applications signed by current owner Debora Wickart for 2,200 gpd for both water and wastewater/sewer service at 183 Main Street (former P.H. Edwards building). The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Mahoney and Mr. Hirchak departed the meeting.

Warrants were approved and signed. Delinquent accounts were reviewed in detail. Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2018 meeting, as presented. The motion carried.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to authorize Vermont's Clean Water State Revolving Fund Resolution and Certificate. There was a review and discussion of both documents. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to approve the Community Fund proposal presented by the General Manager. The program plan document was reviewed and discussed. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to approved the 2019 bill insert schedule, as revised during discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Peter Gallo and second by Jack Anderson to approve an increase in the employee's contribution to the medical insurance plan, taking the employee's contribution to 20%, and to approve 2019 budget projections for wages and associated costs, as presented, and with a year-end bonus of $140 to a full-time employees. This results in a 2019 budget reduction in these staffing expenses of ($17,765). Following discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

The GM reported on the sewer force main work in conjunction with the Town's storm water project along Johnson St. Extension. The numerous alternatives and input by the state and consulting engineer were discussed and evaluated. The Work Plan was reviewed and discussed.

A recent household income survey was conducted by mail and multiple door-to-door campaigns by the Vermont Rural Water Association for the purpose of validating a household median income that meets federal government standards. Validation that Hyde Park's median household income met federal government's standards would qualify us for advantageous federal funding, grants, and subsidies for Wastewater/Sewer and Water capital projects. 67% participation in the survey was required for a valid survey and our participation was 46%, therefore advantageous federal funding, grants and subsidies offered to lower household income municipalities are not now available. We plan to utilize Vermont's Revolving Loan Fund and/or Vermont's Municipal Bond Bank for funding these capital projects.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and appoint of Ken McPherson to the Village Development Review Board to replace Nate Perham, who relocated and is no longer eligible to serve. This is a three year term expiring June 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. The motion carried.

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Riki French, Chair   Date