

**VILLAGE OF CASTLETON-ON-HUDSON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING**

March 12, 2018

PRESENT: Trustee/Deputy Mayor Marianne Carner, Trustee Sharon Martin, Trustee Jenifer Pratico

ABSENT: Mayor Robert Schmidt, and Trustee Gina Giuliano

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Matt Carner, Attorney Benjamin Hill, Superintendent John Shortsleeve, Library Director Melissa Tacke, Building Inspector Gary Ziegler, and Clerk-Treasurer Padraic Ellis.

PUBLIC: 5

CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Village of Castleton-on-Hudson was held at Castleton Village Hall, 85 South Main Street on March 12, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm Deputy Mayor Carner with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Trustee Martin moved, Trustee Pratico seconded, motion carried to accept the minutes of the February 26, 2018 Regular Meeting with one correction - at the end of the Delaware Engineering Presentation, "rise to me cost" is changed to "rise to meet cost."

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Comment.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

- **Deputy Mayor Carner:** Deputy Mayor Carner is continuing to check the Village's costs for insurance and computer and phone services.
- **Trustee Martin:** Trustee Martin reported that the Inter-municipal Agreement with the Town of Schodack is still being worked on. She also reported that the next Consolidation Meeting may be postponed due to a numbers of people being unable to attend.
- **Trustee Pratico:** Trustee Pratico thanked the DPW for their hard work during the recent snow storms. She also reported that the Castleton Ambulance Garage was an evacuation center for any residents that lost power for a considerable amount of time due to the storms.

REPORTS:

1. **DPW Report:** Absent
2. **Water & Wastewater Report:** No comment
3. **Castleton Kids:** Absent
4. **Library Report:** No comment
5. **Code Enforcement:** Absent
6. **Fire Department:** Fire Chief Carner asked if the Fire Department had decreased their electrical usage to prevent high bills. The Clerk-Treasurer supplied him with the most recent bill from National Grid, which showed a drop in usage.

7. **Building Inspector:** Deputy Mayor Carner stated that she had spoken to Building Inspector Ziegler prior to the Board Meeting regarding various locations on his report
8. **Safety/MS4 Report:** Absent
9. **Planning:** Absent
10. **Zoning:** Absent
11. **Clerk-Treasurer Report:** No comment
Trustee Martin moved, Trustee Pratico seconded, motion to approve all departmental reports.

BUSINESS:

1. **Garage Bids:** Trustee Pratico moved, Trustee Martin seconded motion to pass a resolution to post notice to bid for Curbside Solid Waste, Recycling Collection & Transportation for the Village of Castleton-on-Hudson, subject to attorney review and approval.
2. **Library Funding:** Library Board Olivia Karis-Nix stated that the Castleton Public Library was asking for an increase in funding from the Village of Castleton-on-Hudson due to increased attendance and circulation over the past year. The Village had previously increased its funding to the Library from \$10,000 annually to \$13,000 annually last year. The Library is asking for the Village's contribution to be increased to \$14,500 annually. Ms. Karis-Nix reported that the Town of Schodack had increased their funding of the Library by \$5,400 annually instead of \$2,000 annually, as they normally did. Trustee Martin reported that the Village was preparing for budget negotiations and would take her presentation under advisement.
3. **APPROPRIATIONS:** Deputy Mayor Carner moved, Trustee Martin seconded, motion to approve payment of the abstracts, with the exception of Voucher #560, pending clarification by the Clerk-Treasurer.

Abstract # 20 – Vouchers - # 560 - # 612 in the amount of \$ 69,430.67

General Fund: \$ 34,692.00

Castleton Kids Fund: \$ 1,521.95

Water Fund: \$ 3,513.13

Sewer Fund: \$ 29,430.67

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:23 pm, Trustee Martin moved, Trustee Pratico seconded motion to move into Executive Sessions to speak with Attorney Hill. At 7:58 pm, Deputy Mayor Carner moved, Trustee Pratico seconded, motion to exit Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:03 pm, Deputy Mayor Carner moved, Trustee Pratico seconded, motion carried to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Padraic Ellis
Village Clerk-Treasurer