

VILLAGE OF ELBRIDGE
TREASURER'S REPORT
April 6, 2020

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>T & A</u>	<u>CAP FUNDS</u>
Bal 1/31/2020	600524.96	614181.52	2077.35	0.00
February Receipts	<u>81430.33</u>	<u>13263.50</u>	<u>20850.70</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	681955.29	627445.02	22928.05	0.00
February Disb	<u>35982.39</u>	<u>14214.32</u>	<u>20744.30</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Bal 2/29/2020	645972.90	613230.70	2183.75	0.00

These balances HAVE been confirmed by bank statements.

Regular Meeting, Monday, April 6, 2020

Having posted notice and notified residents through the Village of Elbridge website the regular meeting of the Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. remotely through the ZOOM Application. Trustees present were Harris, DeMarco and Ely with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Caron was also present. Trustee Murray was absent.

A motion was offered by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Ely, and carried to forgo the reading of the minutes from the last regular meeting on March 2, 2020.

The minutes of the last regular meeting on March 2, 2020 were accepted on a motion made by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried.

A motion was offered by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee Ely, and carried to forgo the reading of the minutes from the special meeting on March 19, 2020.

The minutes of the special meeting on March 19, 2020 were accepted on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried.

Reports of Officers and Committees –

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report for April and approved it on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried.

There was no Code Enforcement Report.

There was no Fire Department Report.

There was no Public Works Report.

There was no Historian Report.

Resident/Budget Officer Frederick Weisskopf joined the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Trustee Murray joined the meeting at 7:12 p.m. He could be seen and could hear the proceedings, but he could not be heard by those in attendance.

Trustee, Mayor and Attorney Reports -

Trustee Harris – Nothing to report.

Trustee Ely – No report.

Trustee DeMarco – No report.

Mayor DeCola – Nothing to report.

Old Business - None

New Business

Trustee DeMarco offered a motion, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried to accept the agreement between the Town of Elbridge and the Village of Elbridge for Seymour Lofft Park for \$14,000.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried authorizing the Mayor to execute the NYS Trooper Substation Agreement with the Town of Elbridge for the sum of \$2,000.

Mayor DeCola read Resolution #2-2020.

The resolution was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried on roll call vote, in memory of Karen M. White, Director of the Elbridge Free Library. (See Resolution #2-2020 attached)

Clerk-Treasurer Caron will publish notice of the Public Hearing for the Tentative Budget in the Eagle Observer, on the Village of Elbridge website and throughout the Village. The Special Meeting/Public Hearing will be held remotely through the ZOOM Application on Monday, April 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

April 6, 2020 Village Board Meeting Cont.

Trustee Ely offered a motion, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried authorizing the Mayor to execute the Barton & Loguidice Scope of Service Agreement in the amount of \$15,000.

A Resolution was offered by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried on roll call vote authorizing the Mayor to execute the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Village of Elbridge, Village of Jordan and the Town of Elbridge for the Joint Water System Improvement Project. (See Resolution #3-2020 attached)

After review of the bills by the Board of Trustees and pending signatures, a motion was offered by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried, to approve payment of April Abstract #11 in the amount of \$49,189.62 for General Fund Vouchers A341-A371, Checks 13870-13900, and \$23,468.26 for Water Fund Vouchers F170-F187, Checks 4938-4956.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee M. Caron
Clerk-Treasurer

RESOLUTION # 2-2020

Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 6, 2020

In memory of Karen M. White, Director of the Elbridge Free Library, Mayor Christopher A. DeCola read the following resolution, which was offered by Trustee Ely, and seconded by Trustee Harris, who moved for its approval:

WHEREAS Karen M. White served faithfully as the Director of the Elbridge Free Library from 1981 until her death, and

WHEREAS Ms. White died on Saturday, March 14, 2020,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees extends their sympathy as a Village, which will be conveyed to her family by the mailing of a copy of this resolution to her family, and a copy shall be spread upon the permanent record of this Board.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

CHRISTOPHER A. DECOLA, MAYOR	_____	Voted	<u>YES</u>
PATRICK V. ELY, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted	<u>YES</u>
ANTHONY W. DEMARCO, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted	<u>YES</u>
JOHN F. MURRAY, TRUSTEE	_____	Absent	
STEPHANIE A. HARRIS, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted	<u>YES</u>

The resolution was thereupon declared to be duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION #3-2020
VILLAGE OF ELBRIDGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 6, 2020**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Elbridge, held remotely through the ZOOM Application, on the 6th of April, 2020, commencing at 7:00 p.m. the following resolution was offered by Trustee DeMarco, and seconded by Trustee Harris, who moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village of Elbridge, Town of Elbridge, and Village of Jordan (the "Parties") are reviewing, studying and developing a Joint Water System Improvement Project to address critical deficiencies within the system and with their water supply from the City of Syracuse; and

WHEREAS, the development and completion of a joint water system improvement project would improve the water quality and supply for the residents and users of the system and would be mutually beneficial to each party; and

WHEREAS, the Parties believe that a Joint Water System Improvement Project will provide a more cost effective, efficient and sustainable solution than if the Parties endeavored to separately and independently undertake such improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to set forth the Parties' intentions to move forward with a Joint Water System Improvement Project for the mutual benefit of each Party, the citizens and residents and users of the joint water system and contemplated future users/water districts; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have been presented with a "Memorandum of Understanding By and Between the Village of Elbridge, Village of Jordan and Town of Elbridge For a Joint Water System Improvement Project"; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Elbridge hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

CHRISTOPHER A. DECOLA, MAYOR	_____	Voted Yes
PATRICK V. ELY, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted Yes
ANTHONY W. DEMARCO, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted Yes
STEPHANIE A. HARRIS, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted Yes
JOHN F. MURRAY, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted Yes

The resolution was thereupon declared to be duly adopted.

Dated: April 6, 2020

Regular Meeting, Monday, April 6, 2020

Having posted notice and notified residents through the Village of Elbridge website the regular meeting of the Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. remotely through the ZOOM Application. Trustees present were Harris, DeMarco and Ely with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Caron was also present. Trustee Murray was absent.

DeCola – Would anyone like me to read the minutes from the March 2nd meeting or would you like to forgo the reading of those minutes?

DeMarco – I'll make the motion to forgo the reading of the minutes.

Ely – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – Any questions on the minutes before approval?

Harris – No, I don't have anything.

DeCola - I need a motion approving the March 2nd minutes.

Harris – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Second?

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola - Let's go to the March special meeting minutes.

Harris – That was for the budget?

DeCola – Yes. Fred never got on. Was that a separate e-mail Renee?

Caron – I think it was a separate attachment or it should have been after that.

DeCola – There it is. Anyone want me to read it or forgo the reading of the March 19th minutes?

Harris – You can forgo the reading.

Ely – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – I need approval of those March 19th minutes.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All I favor

Aye

DeCola – Let's go to the Treasurer's Report. I'll pull that up for you. Any questions on the Treasurer's Report?

Caron – The \$79,000 is ACH – VIP monies.

DeCola – That is something we will have to keep an eye on I'm afraid in the coming months. I hope it will be the same. I don't see anything jumping out at me. Where it says Fire Department on there, the \$78,518.43, is that what we used to call the truck fund Renee?

Caron – Yes

DeCola – I know they asked about that at one point not too long ago. Okay, if there are no questions, I need a motion approving the Treasurer's Report dated April 6th.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – I'm not sure if there is anything from Codes.

Harris – I didn't see anything.

DeMarco – I know he's been doing stuff. I'm surprised he didn't send a report.

Harris – Renee, you didn't get anything?

Caron – Nothing, no.

Harris – I looked at the e-mails and I didn't see anything.

DeCola – Okay, we will get it for next month's meeting.

DeMarco – He told me he couldn't meet with anybody, but he did call me about scheduling fire inspections after this.

DeCola – Patrick, did the Fire Department know we were meeting?

Ely – Yes, but they didn't get anything to me quick enough.

DeCola – That's alright. It was last minute. Originally, my plan was to just cancel and do this in two weeks when we do our Public Hearing, and then I realized it probably wasn't the best way to do it. So let's get this done and that way we can get the bills paid. I told Brad to write up a Public Works Report. Murray isn't here for the Historian Report. Do any of you have anything we need to cover? I have stuff on the bottom that we will need to do. There's Fred right now. I will just let him in real quick. He should be popping in any minute, I just admitted him.

Harris – So, why haven't they been working?

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DeCola – The last two weeks what we have been doing is only what's necessary. So, Renee would go in one day and do what was necessary, and then they would flip flop and then Melissa. The same with DPW, which really has been just water. So, this week, after talking with Harry, they are going to work nine to three, but not together alternating days. Mitchell was working today and Brad went in for about twenty minutes to help get the sander out of the truck, because Mitchell had never done it before, and then Mitchell spent the day getting the brush that he could. There are still a handful of piles out there.

DeCola - Tom is going to drive the truck tomorrow so Brad can use the skid steer to pick them up.

Weisskopf – I'm in.

DeCola – The rest of the week I'm just coming up with a lot of outside stuff that they can do solo. If you guys see anything let me know. They can cut back all the sumac along Dobbin Lane sidewalk. I'm going to have them work on the guardrail in front of the Village Hall.

Ely – Can you have them get a new American Flag for Seymour Lofft Park?

DeMarco – There is a lot of damage repair work to do along the sidewalks.

Ely – That job at the Fire Department. That's a one person job really.

Harris – What about where the Village sign is by the Fire Department? Are the weeds growing in there? They can probably pull them.

DeCola – Brad talked with NYSEG on that pole where they dug the hole. They told Brad that they are letting the dirt settle and they will be back to finish it. So, any of those outside projects that you see cause after a couple days like today the grass is going to pop pretty quick.

Harris – Also, do you want them to work on people's yards? Judy's, across the street from me; I think she is 118 Willow Crest; her front yard is all torn up. She did contact me.

DeCola – We will have Mitchell drive around the whole route with a load.

Harris – This is the first year my yard has not been all torn up. Holy Cow, write it down. All the years I've worked here, I'm not even kidding you. This is the first year. Wow, we have actually grasped the road. It's amazing.

DeCola – So, if you see anything just let me know so we can schedule the next two weeks to keep everybody separated for now so everyone feels comfortable. Unless I hear something different, but it sounds like we will be on this schedule for awhile. A couple of other things I have... We need to execute the agreement with the Town of Elbridge for Seymour Lofft Park. I think Vern dropped that off back in March.

DeMarco – It's the same money as last year.

Ely – It went up, right? It went up \$4,000.

Harris - \$14,000

DeMarco – What was it last year? I thought it was \$12,000.

Harris - \$10,000

DeCola – Was it \$10,000 or \$12,000?

Harris – I don't know; It might have been twelve.

DeMarco – We are still seven short.

DeCola – So, it is at \$14,000. Basically, I need a motion...

Weisskopf – It was \$13,000 last year.

DeCola – So it went up \$1,000. I need a motion authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement with the Town of Elbridge for Seymour Lofft Park in the sum of \$14,000 for 2020.

DeMarco – I'll make the motion to accept the agreement between the Town of Elbridge and the Village of Elbridge for Seymour Lofft Park for \$14,000.

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – Second is the trooper barracks agreement between the Town of Elbridge and the Village of Elbridge for the sum of \$2,000 for the year 2020 to defray the cost of the NYS Trooper Substation in the Village of Elbridge. I need a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the Trooper Agreement.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Is there a second?

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – Let's go back to the agenda. The next thing for me is I have Resolution #2-2020.

RESOLUTION # 2-2020

Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 6, 2020

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WHEREAS Ms. White died on Saturday, March 14, 2020,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees extends their sympathy as a Village, which will be conveyed to her family by the mailing of a copy of this resolution to her family, and a copy shall be spread upon the permanent record of this Board.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – Roll Call Vote for those present.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

CHRISTOPHER A. DECOLA, MAYOR _____	Voted <u>YES</u>
PATRICK V. ELY, TRUSTEE _____	Voted <u>YES</u>
ANTHONY W. DEMARCO, TRUSTEE _____	Voted <u>YES</u>
JOHN F. MURRAY, TRUSTEE _____	Absent
STEPHANIE A. HARRIS, TRUSTEE _____	Voted <u>YES</u>

The resolution was thereupon declared to be duly adopted.

DeCola – I think Murray might be on.

Murray – no response

Harris – I don't think he can figure it out.

DeCola – Any of the Trustees have anything?

Harris – I don't.

Ely – No, I'm good.

DeCola – We need to have a Public Hearing for the Tentative Budget. We need to advertise. We need to have that by the end of the month. Right, Renee?

Caron – I think you are supposed to have your budget by April 19th, but with everything going on it's understood that everyone might be delayed.

DeCola – So my thought is that we can publish notice of one of these meetings. Renee can call it a ZOOM meeting with the I.D. and Password to get in and we hold our Public Hearing this way. We had talked about April 20th. Does that work for you guys?

Harris – Yes, it's not like we can go anywhere.

Caron – What time? 7:00 p.m.?

DeCola – Yes, let's do 7:00 p.m. I will set up the meeting I.D. and Password for you to publish, so if people want to get in they can. Next, I have the Memorandum of Understanding for the water project. While I'm searching for that; tomorrow the bills will be on the conference table. If Murray is not on it will have to be the three of you guys go by tomorrow to sign those.

Caron – The ones for Eastern Shore are there. They total \$26, 914.03, but it's going to take me awhile to figure out how to break those down and then we will need a voucher for stamps for this quarter's water bills. Paul dropped some bills through the slot, so you will have to look at those. There is one from Har-Rob that is past due from November for \$376.50 and I don't know what that's all about. It doesn't say what it is for. There is an invoice from Doyle for \$467.25. They are all on the table there.

DeCola – For the water project....First I have from B&L the Scope of Services Agreement for their work moving forward. That's for \$15,000 where we will be utilizing LT2 for this, but then when grants/loans come through for the project we will get reimbursed.

Harris – They are working on the grants now, right?

DeCola – As best they can right now with everything going on. Really, right now, the work they are doing is with the Town for Districts to see what they can and cannot do. I believe they are under the assumption that they can't do any referendums with voting right now. So basically, we have this Scope of Service Agreement that has to get back to B&L for this phase. Anyone have any questions on that?

Ely – So they are putting us as the lead agency?

DeCola – We are the lead agency. I can forward this to anyone. Obviously, we have already done the SEQR. We did that I believe last week for the second step and Melissa sent that.

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Ely – So do you need a motion for this Chris?

DeCola – I need a motion authorizing the Mayor to execute the B&L Scope of Services Agreement.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – any opposed? (no response) Carried.

DeCola - The other is the Memorandum of Understanding. I don't know if the M.O.U. came in an e-mail or just in the mail boxes. Was that in our mailboxes Renee?

Caron – No, I printed it from an e-mail on March 24th to mayor@villageofelbridge.com That's why I didn't send it.

DeCola – Bear with me, I think I searched for Taylor.

Caron – It came from Becky Davis; rdavis@ccf.law

DeCola – There it is. I can see Murray's face now. There he is. So, here is the M.O.U. between the Village of Elbridge, Village of Jordan and the Town of Elbridge for the Joint Water System improvement. The Town of Elbridge and the Village of Jordan have already approved this at their meetings.

DeMarco – It says, now includes unlimited minutes. How do you do that Chris?

DeCola – You have to sign their agreement for \$12.00 per month or something. Any questions? I'll scroll through.

DeMarco – I was looking forward to being done in fifteen minutes.

Caron – We're almost done.

DeCola – This is one of the last things. So basically, I just need a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the M.O.U.

DeMarco – I'll make a motion for the Mayor to sign the M.O.U. by and between the Village of Elbridge, Village of Jordan and the Town of Elbridge for the Joint Water System Improvement Project.

DeCola – Is there a second?

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – opposed? None perfect

Caron – For the M.O.U. there were two things there. You have to have a resolution.

DeCola – I didn't see that other attachment.

Caron – Actually, it's a resolution instead of a motion because it says "now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to execute the M.O.U." So we will say that the Resolution was offered by Anthony, seconded by Stephanie on roll call vote.

DeCola – Perfect. Do the roll call.

Caron – Trustee Ely

Ely – Yes

Caron – Trustee DeMarco

DeMarco – Yes

Caron – Trustee Harris

Harris – Yes

Caron - Trustee Murray

Murray – (no verbal response)

DeCola - He just gave it a thumbs up.

Caron – Mayor DeCola

DeCola – Yes. There's the resolution. Do you have to give it a number?

Caron – I can give it a number. It will be #3-2020.

DeCola – As far as the bills...like I said, I need a motion approving Abstract #11 contingent upon three of the four of you get down there to sign the bills and as long as there are no questions and also adding....

Caron – Eastern Shore, Postmaster and Doyle

Ely – I'll look into the Har-Rob thing.

Caron – Look at the others. They are for cleaning supplies and a gas meter, but for reimbursement to the Department. So, I think they can wait.

DeCola – Yes, figure out the Har-Rob bill. I need a motion to pay Abstract #11.

Harris – I'll make the motion to pay Abstract #11.

DeCola – Is there a second?

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor

Aye

DeCola – What did we miss? Anyone else have anything?

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Weisskopf – There are two more jobs for Brad.

DeCola – Yes, Tell me them.

Weisskopf – One, there is a door to install at the Library and then finish the lights.

Harris – Yes, I was going to say the lights.

DeMarco – He still hasn't done them? I thought he was doing some last week or this week.

DeCola – I put it on his list. He said Mitchell did all the lights except the high ones. Brad is going to get the ones up above and he's going to get the door installed. And the light in the alcove?

Weisskopf – Yes, there is a light in the front entryway.

Ely – He can just go to Lowes and grab something on sale and put it in there.

DeCola – He has it.

Harris – Now is the time to do it when no one is in there.

DeCola – I asked him about the barn. He is going to get the stone this week so he can start working on getting that closed up so it doesn't rot away.

Weisskopf – He also has the water treatment plant to put siding on.

DeCola – Yes, that's on there too.

Weisskopf – At least get the material on this year's budget. He can store it up there until they have the time to put it up.

DeCola – That comes out of LT2 right?

Weisskopf – Yes

DeCola – What else? Looks like we are down to five minutes.

Weisskopf – You just have to think on the budget. There's \$24,000 that you can't put on the taxes, so after the meeting on the 20th then we can change the budget, but you have to figure out where you want to take it from. We can take it out of water or you can change the sticker rate. I know you don't want to do this. Change the sticker rate instead of three for \$10 to two for \$10, but I know you don't want to do that.

DeCola – I guess we will have to talk about it after the public meeting because I'm concerned we also have to talk about the income. If sales tax is going down is the County going to come back and say, hey, VIP money is going to have to go down because we are not collecting the same amount of sales tax right now. I don't know if they would or not, but we have to be prepared just in case the income goes down. This one that just came in was an \$11,000 bump, right Renee?

Caron – Yes

DeCola – That was a nice bump up, but I don't know if it will stay that way. We just have to be prepared with everything going on. Money might get really tight this next year. I don't have anything else. I was trying to keep it to just what was necessary. I will talk to Brad tomorrow. Patrick, is that something you think he can do on his own?

Ely – Yes, the metal is already bent and everything else. It's just putting it back on there.

Basically, go get some caulk and fix it up; get some screws.

DeCola – Is the block okay? Now that it has gone through the winter.

Ely – I would check the block I guess. That's the biggest thing, because if the block is crappy at the top you're going to have to replace it.

DeCola – I will have him look at that. Anything else?

Weisskopf – No

DeCola – I appreciate everyone doing it this way. I know it's the first time. Hopefully, this is one of only two and we can get back to normal soon.

DeMarco – It's quicker this way.

DeCola – I need a motion to adjourn.

DeMarco – I'll make the motion to adjourn.

DeCola – Second?

Ely – I'll second it.

DeCola – Renee, you should be good with the recording.

Caron – I just need to figure out how to retrieve it. What time did John join the meeting?

DeCola – I can tell you right now. He joined at 7:12 p.m. Thank you everyone. Good night.

Special Meeting, Monday, April 20, 2020

Notice having been given to the Eagle Observer for publication on April 15th and having posted the same at various locations throughout the Village and on the website, a Special Meeting/Public Hearing of the Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:05 p.m. remotely through the ZOOM Application. Trustees present were Ely, Murray, and Harris with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Caron was also present. Trustee DeMarco was absent.

Resident/Budget Officer Fred Weisskopf was also in attendance.

2020-2021 BUDGET HEARING

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried to open the Public Hearing for the 2020-2021 Budget at 7:06 p.m.

The legal notice was published in the April 15th issue of the Eagle Observer.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried to forgo the reading of the legal notice.

Mayor DeCola asked once if anyone present wished to speak in favor of the budget.

Mayor DeCola asked twice more if anyone present wished to speak in favor of the budget; there was no one.

Mayor DeCola then asked three times if anyone present wished to speak in opposition of the proposed budget; there was no one.

There was some discussion regarding County Sales Tax, County Grant for street lights and the price of garbage stickers.

All who wished to be heard were heard.

The hearing was closed at 7:17 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried.

A resolution was offered by Trustee Ely, and seconded by Trustee Harris, WHEREAS, the tentative budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021 was duly prepared and presented to the Board by the Clerk on March 19th, and a duly advertised public hearing was thereon held April 20th, RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 5-508, Subdivision 4 of the Village Law, the said tentative budget, as changed, altered and revised, be and hereby is adopted as the budget of the Village of Elbridge for the year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$589,980.00 for General fund and \$283,407.00 for Water fund for a grand total of \$873,387.00 with wages and salaries adopted as shown in Schedule 6 of the budget document. Upon roll call vote each voted as follows: Mayor DeCola, Yes; Trustee Ely, Yes; Trustee DeMarco, Absent; Trustee Murray, Yes; Trustee Harris, Yes. The question of the resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

Mayor DeCola stated that Onondaga County Executive Ryan McMahon has encouraged all municipalities to cancel their Memorial Day Parades. There will be no Memorial Day Parade in the Village of Elbridge this year. The Clerks will post notices on the website and throughout the village.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Murray, seconded by Trustee Harris and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee M. Caron
Clerk-Treasurer

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Resident/Budget Officer Fred Weisskopf was also in attendance.

DeCola – Let's get started. I see no other participants looking to hop in, so let's run it just like a regular Public Hearing. Let's open the Public Hearing. I have it is 7:06 p.m. and would you guys like me to read the notice of the Public Hearing or would you like to waive that right to have the notice read?

Ely – Waive it

Harris – Waive it

Weisskopf – Waive it. I guess I'm not supposed to say that, but waive it.

Caron – So, give me a motion to open the Public Hearing.

DeCola – Oh, that's right.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Murray, was that a thumbs up?

Harris – I'll second it if you can't hear him.

DeCola – I thought I saw a thumbs up there.

Caron – Patrick, you were the first to say waive the reading.

Ely – Yes, you're going to have to look for John's thumbs up.

Harris – That's alright, you can put me for second.

DeCola – Making sure that there's no one there. I still don't see anybody. So, I will ask three times if there is anyone to speak in favor of the budget. So, I'll ask the first time. Anyone to speak in favor of the budget? Again, anyone to speak in favor of the budget? The third time, anyone to speak in favor? Now I'll switch over to opposition of the budget. Anyone looking to speak in opposition of the proposed budget? Anyone want to speak in opposition of the budget? Lastly, the third time, anyone looking to speak in opposition of the proposed budget?

(no response)

DeCola – Perfect. Again, I still just keep checking to make sure that there is no one trying to get in. This was published. We posted it on the door. We posted it on the website and it was published in the newspaper. So, if anyone does ask, we tried every way possible to make it available to the public to be able to hop on and listen or ask questions or even if they don't have the technology capabilities, it was prepared ahead of time so they could read it. Those were all made available. I just wanted to make sure. I hope this is the last one we have to do like this. I know from the Board's standpoint is there any other questions that popped up on the budget? Basically, I think we are at the phase where we can adopt. Do we have any other issues before us since it's been proposed? Going into this budget year I think we are going to have to be very careful. I don't know what the impacts will be with everything going on with our revenue side; if that will change or if the VIP money will change at all coming in. I think it's too early to tell, but I think we are going to have to be very careful.

Weisskopf – Chris, I talked with Ken Bush today. I asked him two questions; first about recycling, because I'd heard a rumor that they were going to cancel recycling, and they now said, "not yet".

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Weisskopf - They are going to put wine bottles and liquor bottles on the five cent return. Also, I asked him about our money from the County for sales tax and he said right now there's no information on that yet.

DeCola - Okay

Weisskopf - Because I was worried about that. All of a sudden they would quit doing that. I know you had talked about it last month, but I wanted to bring it up. Right now there is no talk of reducing that, but I know the sales tax money is going to be drastically reduced.

DeCola - Yes, and the agreement was just done recently, so the agreement was written, but I just don't know if the collection of those monies with everything going on is going to change.

We just had a pretty nice bump in our first VIP we got. That was a pretty decent jump for this quarterly. Before I get to the adoption, I did talk to the D.O.T. today. All D.O.T. jobs are deemed essential. So, Jim Harmon was out here today. I saw his truck and he said that they did order the lights a few weeks ago. I think it was four weeks ago, but he said it was a twelve week delivery. So, we are just waiting for those to get delivered.

Harris - We are still getting the grant, right?

DeCola - Yes, I called the County today to make sure that money hadn't been rescinded. He said, "absolutely not", that we are still going to receive that. He said we should have received our grant letter by now, but the legal department at the County has just been so backlogged. He stated that in the next few weeks that we would receive that, have our Board approve it, and sign off on it and then they would send us the \$30,000.

Harris - Oh, good.

DeCola - The State did confirm it is \$60,000, so those are coming. How we ultimately approach the other \$30,000...

Harris - We have to deal with garbage too.

DeCola - What about garbage?

Harris - The difference.

DeCola - The other thing is the lights that NYSEG is going to replace. That is going to continue also. They said that those are also on order. So, we have those two pieces.

Weisskopf - Chris, when are the NYSEG lights maybe put in place?

DeCola - He was hoping that he would have them in May. He said they have all been ordered, but he's at the mercy of the supplier getting them to him. You think that should be on this budget year now?

Weisskopf - Okay.

DeCola - You think that should be on this year's budget?

Weisskopf - I'm hoping, yes. I'd like if we can get a bill from them with what the costs will be, because I already reduced the money for next year's lighting.

DeCola - Okay, yes. I can ask him. He said normally when they used to do that, they would send you the bill ahead of time, municipalities started complaining about getting billed before they were put in, but I can tell him that in this situation we really do want it ahead of time for this budget year.

Weisskopf - We need the bill ahead of time to put the money aside for that, because if it goes into next year...

Caron - As long as I have a bill I can encumber the funds.

DeCola - Okay, I will e-mail Tim at NYSEG tomorrow just to get a status on the order and to let him know that.

Weisskopf - Thank you.

Harris - Chris, when is the plan to put the lights in?

DeCola - He said the minute they receive them he will put the order in; usually a week to ten days they will be out to start the process.

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Harris – Okay.

DeCola – Based on the number, I forgot the exact number he told me, one hundred and thirty some seems to stick in my head that he thought it would probably take them a couple days to pull them all out and put the new ones in. It's not a long process. Those are the only two things that are on the edge of this budget year. Based on the garbage; I think we changed it to three for \$10.00 now effective June 1st.

Harris – Yes, but we are still at a deficit. What are we going to do? You know what I mean?

Weisskopf – This meeting it's presented to the public.

DeCola – Yes.

Weisskopf – Then after that, at the next meeting, we can change the budget. We have to decide how you want to proceed with the garbage.

DeCola – Yes.

Weisskopf – There's a way we can take money from water and put it toward this year's general budget or we can raise it instead of three for \$10.00 to two for \$10.00 to cover it. But, that's at the next meeting.

DeCola – We can do that at our May meeting, but this is what we are going to adopt is the three for \$10.00 and we can talk about in May whether we change the hauler's fee again or not. We can talk about that. So, as far as the adoption, there is actual wording we have to use right Renee?

Caron – Yes, I have that. I can read it. You can close your hearing if you are done.

DeCola – Yes, that's true. So, I guess at 7:17p.m. let me check one more time to make sure. I don't see anyone else waiting to get in. So, it's 7:17p.m.. Let's close the Public Hearing. I need a motion.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – I need a second.

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – Let's move for the adoption.

Caron – A resolution was offered by Trustee _____, and seconded by Trustee _____, WHEREAS, the tentative budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021 was duly prepared and presented to the Board by the Clerk on March 19th, and a duly advertised public hearing was thereon held April 20th, RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 5-508, Subdivision 4 of the Village Law, the said tentative budget, as changed, altered and revised, be and hereby is adopted as the budget of the Village of Elbridge for the year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$589,980.00 for General Fund and \$283,407.00 for Water Fund for a grand total of \$873,387.00 with wages and salaries adopted as shown in schedule 6 of the budget document. Upon roll call vote each voted as follows:

Who's going to offer that resolution?

Ely – I'll offer it.

Caron – Second?

Harris – I'll second it.

Caron - Mayor DeCola

DeCola – Yes

Caron – Trustee Ely

Ely – Yes

Caron – Trustee DeMarco (no response; absent) Trustee Murray

Murray – I'm on now. What did I miss? I finally figured out how to turn on the volume. It kept saying I was on mute.

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Caron – Okay, we are doing roll call vote for the budget.

DeCola – She's going through the roll call vote and she just said your name when your unmute went off.

Murray – Okay, Yes

Caron – Trustee Harris

Harris – Yes

Murray – Can you guys see me?

Ely – Yes, we can see you.

Weisskopf – Yes we can.

DeCola – We can.

Murray – At least I figured out how to do this now.

DeCola – Good, you're on.

Weisskopf – I can't figure out how to get my face on yet.

DeCola – Anything else we need? Any other questions?

Murray – Yes, I have a question. Maybe you already discussed it, I don't know. Did anyone say anything about the Memorial Day Parade?

DeCola – That was on my list after this. So, we had a phone call on Friday with Ryan McMahon, all the mayors did, and he highly encouraged us to cancel or reschedule the Memorial Day Parade. I think Camillus already had theirs' cancelled. East Syracuse is working on it.

Murray – What do you mean by reschedule?

DeCola – If for some reason we thought later in the year we still wanted to do a parade.

Murray – Oh, but for Memorial Day it's cancelled.

DeCola – Correct.

Murray – I'll let the Legion know then.

DeCola – Yes. He encouraged; I think we already did it anyway, but you would know better John; is to make sure we got all the flags on all the gravesites.

Murray – Mullen told me Friday, and he asked me if we were going to have the parade, I said I'm not sure I'll let you know, but he said we're going to put the flags up. So as far as I know they're still going to put the flags up.

DeCola – We did buy a box right? The Village did donate a box also.

Murray – I told the Legion to send a bill. Did they send it?

DeCola – No. Well if they want it they'll have to send it that's all. If they are going to do that, that's good. Alright, so I guess we don't need to take any formal action besides just saying this year we are going to cancel.

Murray – Alright, I will let the Legion know.

DeCola – Okay. I don't want to, but I just think that's what we have to do.

Murray – You can't have everyone sitting there with masks on.

DeCola – Who knows if we will have the school. There are just too many variables that far out and that's not something we can wait until a few days before.

Murray – Let's just cancel it now then.

DeCola – I think that makes the most sense. I think things are starting to kick back in, but let's not push it.

Murray – No, let's not push it. I'm going to let the Legion know tomorrow.

DeCola – Yes, confirm with them.

Murray – Anything else?

DeCola – Anyone else have anything?

Murray – Pat, you'll tell the Fire Department right?

Ely – Yes, I'll let them know.

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Murray – Alright.

Harris – Chris, I told Brad that the flag up at the park is torn. I think it got caught in the wind. Did they take that down yet?

DeCola – He's going to do that this week. What we do is we take the old flags from when one of the poles break on Main Street and he saves the flag and we repurpose the flag up there. Yes, it's torn in the middle. Mitchell was going to do that in the next couple of days.

Harris – Okay. Did the plow truck ever get cleaned out?

DeCola – Yes, both the plow truck and sander got cleaned out. At least Brad and Mitchell are back to every day.

Harris – Oh, they are?

DeCola – Trying to keep them separate right now, as best they can, on separate jobs and in the office. Melissa and Renee just flip flop days so they are not in there at the same time right now. I don't know any other way we can really approach it. It seems to be working so let's continue. There's a lot of outside stuff starting to pile up.

Harris – Are they starting to work on the lawns that got torn up?

DeCola – Yes, he has topsoil coming. That was on this weeks' schedule. I told him he needs to get all the brush picked up. Jim Harmon from DOT wanted the brush picked up. There's a couple of spots on Main Street. The DOT is coming through next week with the contractor. They are going to put all new topsoil in. They are going to hydro-seed it. Jim pretty much assured that by Memorial Day that would all be grass. They really want to be out of here by the end of May if possible. That's going to depend on when the light poles do come in. He has to start mowing too. Even though we are not going to be using the park for a little while you still have to mow it. You still have to keep up on it.

Murray – About the lights, are we going to get the lights that we picked?

DeCola – Yes, they've been ordered. It's just the delivery time; the company they ordered them from. They ordered them four to five weeks ago and they told them it was about a twelve week delivery.

Murray – Okay

DeCola – Hoping by the end of May, sometime in June. Once they have them they will go up really quick. The only other thing; actually Renee, is when Brad's dad left did we terminate his P-100?

Caron – I think so.

DeCola – Okay, because I asked Brad about the pole barn. The shell is up. The tin needs to start to get up otherwise it's exposed right now. That really needs to be on the next couple weeks project and Mitchell doesn't know anything about it. He just asked if there is any way the Board could bring back his dad for five days to knock that off. I said, I don't know if we terminated his P-100. I don't know how we could do that. I'm not sure.

Harris – To finish up what Chris?

DeCola – The pole barn.

Harris – Oh, Okay

DeCola – The structure is up, but all the tin is there. He can't do it by himself. He said Mitchell doesn't know what to do. It's really Brad's dad that did all that last time we did the pole barn. I guess I don't know to approach that. I don't really want to get a separate contractor.

Murray – If we bring Duane back does he have to go through another physical and everything?

Ely – He'd have to go through the whole thing again.

Murray – We better get on this then.

DeCola – It was just a thought to figure out how can we get this done. We really want to get that done and he's got to get the LT2 building resided.

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Ely – He really can't teach Mitchell? So one of them is going to be screwing the pieces up, the other one is going to be putting the other piece on top of the other one. They are going to be more than twelve feet apart.

DeCola – I don't know if it's so much that as it is the where with all of the knowledge of how to do it. I don't know.

Ely – You are saying Duane has the knowledge, Brad didn't pick up on it. That's what I mean. That's pretty much it.

Murray – But if we bring Duane back then Mitchell could start mowing too.

DeCola – If we can figure that out, bringing him back really is not to exceed five days or three days whatever that number is. I just don't know if we can do it. I guess we would have to research to see if that can be done on a temporary basis. I'm afraid that would keep being exposed.

Murray – Can we put him on the books as when needed?

Caron – No, because you had to put him in as temporary or seasonal. He had to be gone for a certain length of time otherwise it looked like you were trying not to pay him.

Ely – You pretty much have to hire him as a summer helper.

Harris – That's what I was thinking.

Weisskopf – You have summer help in the budget.

DeCola – Patrick brought up a valid point. Could we bring him back, since we have that in the budget, and we have that title. Can we bring him back as summer help for a few days? Would that work?

Ely – That's not adding anything to his retirement is it?

Caron – No

Ely – So, if he's not adding to his retirement why can't we? Just the legality part of it we'd have to look into. We could probably put him in as summer help.

DeCola – One week. I'm telling Brad you have five days, so you have to use the five days and that's it.

Ely – Rain or shine they've got to do it. Rain or shine it has to be done.

DeCola – Between that and, like I said, I want him to get the LT2 siding done also.

Ely – He doesn't need his dad for that though.

DeCola – No, it's just the things he needs to get done.

Caron – He needs a P-100 with County Civil Service. You need to do new hire reporting for withholdings. She has to go online and set that up.

DeCola – Alright, so let's toss it around until we get to our May meeting.

Murray – For summer help let's just say we brought Duane back and he only worked one day a week for summer help, would that be all right? Or does he have to work so many hours for summer help?

DeCola – No, I don't think there is any requirement.

Harris – Does he want to though? That's the thing.

DeCola – I don't know if he would agree to just come back to get the pole barn finished. I don't know that answer.

Murray – Oh, I think he would come back to help Brad. Mitchell's got to do a lot of mowing and if he has to keep helping Brad and he doesn't have time to do the mowing I don't know what we are going to do here.

DeCola – Well, our meeting is on May 4th, two weeks from today, so if we could kind of come up with a game plan and address it at that meeting. Come up with a solution.

Weisskopf – If I could cut in...on the LT2 siding we just need to but the siding and have it in stock on this year's budget.

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DeCola – I told him to go down there. He said he was getting it from T&K. I told him to go get that done.

Weisskopf – We just have to get it bought on this year's budget.

Harris – So, he needs to do that.

DeCola – Any other thoughts? Looks like we are running up on about five minutes left on the meeting anyway because they can only be forty minute meetings.

Murray – It already told me we were running out of time.

DeCola – Yes

Murray – We are going to have a meeting in May?

DeCola – Yes, we have to have it whether we have it this way or not.

Murray – If we have it this way at least I know how to talk.

DeCola – All right. We would have to publish it by Monday Renee? No, we would have to publish it this week. We'd have to publish it by Thursday.

Murray – About what? The meeting?

DeCola – Yes, if we do this again.

Murray – When are we going to put it in the paper that we're not going to have a Memorial Day Parade?

Ely – They don't publish it.

DeCola – You don't publish it. We can post it on the website; post it on the door, say due to the current circumstances.

Murray – Once they find out Jordan's not going to have one they'll probably know that we're not going to have one.

DeCola – I assume they're not. Jordan was not on the call on Friday, but I'm sure not.

Murray – I'm sure they won't. they have more people than we do.

DeCola – And Ken is more plugged into this than any of us, so I'm sure he....

Weisskopf – Nobodies going to have a parade.

DeCola – No, I'm sure they will do a formal cancellation.

Murray – Anything else?

DeCola – No, I don't have anything else.

Murray – Let me know how we are going to do our May meeting.

DeCola – I will.

Murray – Everyone have a nice night.

DeCola – I need a motion to adjourn.

Murray – I'll make the motion to adjourn.

DeCola – Is there a second?

Harris – I'll second it.

Weisskopf – Thank you everybody.

DeCola – Thanks for jumping on everybody. I appreciate it.

Murray – Good bye.