

VILLAGE OF ELBRIDGE
TREASURER'S REPORT
May 4, 2020

| | <u>GENERAL</u> | <u>WATER</u> | <u>T & A</u> | <u>CAP FUNDS</u> |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Bal 2/29/2020 | 645972.90 | 613230.70 | 2183.75 | 0.00 |
| March Receipts | <u>8212.48</u> | <u>2036.05</u> | <u>18970.23</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| Total | 654185.38 | 615266.75 | 21153.98 | 0.00 |
| March Disb | <u>208041.60</u> | <u>17691.92</u> | <u>19094.59</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| Bal 3/31/2020 | 446143.78 | 597574.83 | 2059.39 | 0.00 |

These balances HAVE been confirmed by bank statements.

Regular Meeting, Monday, May 4, 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 7:05 p.m. remotely through the ZOOM Application. Trustees present were Harris, DeMarco, Murray and Ely with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Caron was also present.

Resident/Budget Officer Frederick Weisskopf was also in attendance.

A motion was offered by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried unanimously to forgo the reading of the minutes from the last regular meeting on April 6, 2020.

The minutes of the last regular meeting on April 6, 2020 were accepted on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously to forgo the reading of the minutes from the special meeting on April 20, 2020.

The minutes of the special meeting on April 20, 2020 were accepted on a motion made by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried unanimously.

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 unanimously.

Trustee Harris presented the Code Enforcement Report, who moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried unanimously

Trustee Ely presented the Fire Department Report for March, who moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Murray and carried unanimously.

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There was no Public Works Report.

Mayor DeCola presented the Historian's Report for April. Trustee Murray moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried unanimously.

Trustee, Mayor and Attorney Reports -

Trustee Harris – Asked if the speed sign is working.

Trustee DeMarco said that it needs repair through online support.

Trustee Harris is still receiving calls regarding the American flag at Seymour Lofft Park. It needs to be replaced as soon as possible.

Fred Weisskopf stated that he has a laptop computer that they can use to hook up to the speed sign.

Trustee Ely – No report.

Trustee Murray – He has been in contact with Jim White; Town of Elbridge Highway Superintendent regarding the ditch on Kingston Road. The County Foreman; Chris Munsie has been notified and will send out an engineer to take a look at the situation.

Trustee DeMarco – No report.

Mayor DeCola – There are three projects that need to be completed; the pole barn, the siding at the LT2 building and the block in the generator room at the Fire House. Brad can't complete on his own. Is the Board amenable to hiring Duane Milton on a temporary basis to help complete the projects?

New Business

Trustee Ely offered a motion, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried unanimously to hire Duane Milton as a Summer Laborer for ten days to help complete some projects. The Board will waive the requirement of drug testing and physical exam.

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Mayor DeCola has received a letter from NYSEG for LED streetlight conversion. He needs to cross out those lights that are part of the Main Street Project.

A motion was offered by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously authorizing the Mayor to execute the NYSEG LED Streetlight Conversion Agreement.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously authorizing the Mayor to execute the \$30,000 Onondaga County Community Development Grant for street lights.

After review of the bills by the Board of Trustees and pending signatures, a motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously, to approve payment of May Abstract #12 in the amount of \$12,665.18 for General Fund Vouchers A372-A388, Checks 13901-13917, and \$7,456.89 for Water Fund Vouchers F188-F196, Checks 4958-4966.

The ZOOM meeting was cut off and ended. Everyone was disconnected.

At 7:45 p.m. the meeting resumed with Mayor DeCola, Trustees Ely and DeMarco, Clerk-Treasurer Caron and Resident/Budget Officer Fred Weisskopf.

Those present discussed Christmas decorations. Trustee Ely has obtained several quotes.

Trustee Ely offered a motion, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried to purchase five LED snowflake decorations now and an additional ten LED snowflake decorations in June at the same quoted price each and on separate invoices for different budget years.

Trustee Harris joined the meeting via speaker phone.

Mayor DeCola read the following resolution to Levy Tax and Authorize Execution of the Tax Warrant.

A resolution levying the total taxes and other charges extended and levied against each parcel of real property shown on the roll prepared and verified by the Town Assessor on July 1, 2019, subject to reduction of special franchise assessments, court orders and removal of exemptions, for our Fiscal Year 2020-2021, was offered by Trustee Ely, and seconded by Trustee DeMarco, WHEREAS, a budget hearing was held on April 20, 2020 and the budget was finalized and adopted on April 20, 2020, be it RESOLVED, that there be levied and assessed against the real property of the Village of Elbridge a tax rate of \$3.24 per thousand of assessed valuation and other charges (i.e., unpaid water rents, unpaid fire inspection fees, and omitted taxes) for village government purposes for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk shall execute the Tax Warrant on or before May 19, which warrant shall expire on October 31, following the levy of the tax. Upon roll call vote each voted as follows: Mayor DeCola, Yes; Trustee Harris, Yes; Trustee DeMarco, Yes; Trustee Murray, Absent; Trustee Ely, Yes. The question of the resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried authorizing Clerk-Treasurer Caron to pay bills through year-end on Abstract #13.

Starting tomorrow, Department of Public Works employees will resume their normal work schedule; 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday each working separate jobs as much as possible. The Clerks will continue an alternating schedule, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. through May 15, 2020 at this point. They will be open to the public by appointment only.

Mayor DeCola stated that per County Executive Ryan McMahon, libraries will be allowed to open back up for limited service as of the 15th. He will contact Librarian Camille DiSanza to make sure she is aware and has everything they will need.

A sink hole has been reported on Scott Circle and Circle Drive. Per Attorney Armani, as it is not in the right-of-way or on Village property the Village has no liability.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee M. Caron
Clerk-Treasurer

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Resident/Budget Officer Frederick Weisskopf was also in attendance.

DeCola – I don't see anyone else present, just the Board and Fred. I did allow recording Renee. Okay, we will start with the minutes from the April 6th meeting and the April 20th special meeting. Did everyone receive that today? Whenever we do these virtual ZOOM meetings Renee has to transcribe. That's why you're seeing the whole conversation of the meeting. So, let's start with the April 6th meeting minutes. Would anyone like me to read those?

Harris – No.

DeCola – Can I get approval to forgo reading those minutes?

DeMarco – I'll make the motion.

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – Okay, all in favor?

Aye

DeCola – The April 20th special meeting? Budget Hearing. Wait a minute. I forgot to approve the April 6th minutes, so I need a motion.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – Great. All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Let's go to the April 20th special meeting. Again, would anyone like me to read those? Or forgo the reading of the April 20th minutes?

Ely – Forgo it. I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Is there a second?

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – Great. All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – And lastly, I need approval of those minutes for April 20th.

Harris – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Perfect. Let's go to the Treasurer's Report. I have that somewhere. I thought I had it downloaded, sorry. So, are there questions on the Treasurer's Report dated May 4th? I have it here if anyone didn't get a chance to look at it. I don't see anything. I don't have any questions. Wait, that LT2 balance...Renee, can you hear me or not?

Caron – Yes.

DeCola – That LT2 Balance; is that before we take out what we've used to pay Barton & Loguidice, correct? That hasn't come out of there yet right? The \$25,000.00 initial.

Caron – No.

DeCola – Okay. I need a motion approving the Treasurer's Report dated May 4th.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Is there a second?

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Codes.

Harris – Renee, did you get anything from Codes?

Caron – Yes.

DeCola – Yes. Here I can pull it up.

Harris – Because I didn't get anything.

DeCola – I have everything here. Looks like it's a two page report. Looks like he gave two months Stephanie. Looks like I'm seeing February; actually February, March and April.

Harris – I'll have to go back. I didn't see it. The only thing I got was from Renee for like the Treasurer's Report and the other stuff, but I didn't see that.

DeCola – He's got his three month report there for February, March and April.

Harris – We haven't had one for a while.

DeCola – yes, so, I wish I could turn this.

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Caron – It scanned sideways.

DeMarco – Right there, isn't there a circle thing right there Chris? Up on Top? To the right. Oh no, that's share.

Ely – Yes, that's share. There it is.

DeCola – Now you can read it better. So, basically it looks like we have for the permits...I'll just read it.

Harris – Okay.

DeCola – We have half a dozen permits.

DeMarco – Some of them were just inspections.

DeCola – Okay. I didn't look to the right and then there's a second page of the permits that were issued. Looks like about four or five permits issued. Is there any questions on that? I assume Stephanie you want to make the motion to accept?

Harris – I'll make the motion to approve the Codes Report.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – Great, all in favor?

Aye

Harris – I'll look back on my e-mail. I don't think I got it, but I'll look back.

DeCola – Fire Department.

Ely – I've got two reports.

DeCola – I think they were attached to this too.

Ely – Were they? Okay.

Caron – I think one month was anyway.

Ely – Yes, that's March, so we'll approve and go through March right now and then I've got April. Total number of alarms for March twenty-six; seven in the Village, eighteen in the Town.

Mutual Aid received one, given one, average number of responders five. So, I'll make the motion to approve March's report.

Murray – I'll second.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Any opposed?

(no response)

DeCola – and you have...

Ely – I've got April's here too.

DeCola – Okay.

Ely – Total number of alarms twenty-three. Let's see...Village six, Town fifteen, Mutual Aid given two, Mutual Aid received zero, average number of responders four.

DeCola – Okay. That's April you said?

Ely – Yes. I make a motion to approve the April Report.

Murray – I second it.

DeCola – All infavor?

Aye

DeCola – Is there anything else from the Fire Department perspective Pat that we need to talk about?

Ely – Nothing that I'm aware of besides that building getting that generator going.

DeCola – We'll talk about that in a bit and then, they delayed, postponed, whatever the right word is, their elections?

Ely – Yes, they postponed their elections. So, the elections will be postponed until COVID-19 is done and they can have a meeting again, another time.

DeCola – Perfect. They were notified, not that they expected anything different, about Memorial Day?

Ely – Yes, they were told about the Memorial Day Parade.

DeCola – Perfect. Public Works. Brad never hopped on, so we'll skip that for now. Historian's Report. Did you get the Historian's Report Murray?

Murray – No, I talked with Myrna a couple times. I told her to hold off, just put them all together on one, because she's been going down to the Library. You know the Library is closed. She's just doing her routine stuff down there, so she's not getting any calls or anything, but she's working on a report for the virus here. I think she said it's going to be like two hundred pages. It's almost like a diary. I mean, she sent me a couple pages and it's like this day in history telling me what's going on with the virus, then she puts down things that happened that day in history. She had in there Wyatt Earp died in twenty-nine, but she's got this report. She's unbelievable at it. She wanted me to start a diary of everything I do each day through this virus, but I do the same thing everyday anyway.

Harris – I thought she sent us one. Was it for April?

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DeCola – It's up on the screen.

Murray – Oh, she did send it? I didn't get it.

DeCola – Looks like it's just like her standard report; no phone calls, no walk-ins, just e-mails.

Murray – I told her to hold off and just put it all on one.

DeCola – it talks about her expenditures for March were one hundred seventy-nine dollars, but nothing in April. It says zero.

Murray – I'm glad you guys can read it. I can't see it on my phone.

DeCola – It says in there that we need someone to hang a rocking chair from the ceiling next to the chair that is already hanging.

Murray – I've already talked to Brad about that. She's got two chairs up there now, because she's running out of room.

DeCola – Gotcha.

Murray – Someone gave her an old rocking chair from one of those mills that were down on Valley Drive. They found one, you know, when they were making furniture down there.

Somebody donated it, so now she wants to put it up on the wall.

DeCola – Alright. John, do you want to make a motion to accept her April, 2020 Historian's Report?

Murray – What is that for April?

DeCola – Yes.

Murray – Oh, Okay. I make the motion to accept April's Report.

Ely – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Alright. Trustee Reports. Trustees have anything?

Harris – What is the deal with the speed sign? Is it working or is something wrong with it? Or is there not too much sunlight?

DeMarco – There's something wrong with it. It needs to have a laptop plugged into it and call support to fix it. I thought Brad was doing it. I've never heard from him.

Harris – Okay, because I asked him. He wasn't sure. He said, "I'll have to ask Anthony about it."

DeMarco – Did you tell him Chris?

DeCola – I did.

DeMarco – That's what I thought. He told me you did.

DeCola – We've got to get it hooked up and give support a call and figure out the laptop situation.

Harris – The other thing is the flag still has not been taken care of down at the ballpark and I keep getting calls about it. So, that needs to be done. That was addressed in our last meeting and I think in March. So, that needs to be taken down. It looks bad and it's disrespectful. You know what I mean?

DeCola – Yes. I pulled a new one out of the box and I handed it to Mitchell.

Harris – It's in the meeting minutes too.

DeCola – I'll find out.

DeMarco – What's going on with the pole barn too? Nothing's happening there at all.

DeCola – That's on my list. I'll talk about that.

Harris – That's pretty much what I have.

Weisskopf – I have a laptop I can hook up to the sign; I've done that before, if Brad gives me a call.

DeMarco – If you come down Mark's got the info, or I can do it Fred. Mark was going to try and had taken it down last week, but ran out of time. Since Brad hasn't come around Mark was going to do it, but maybe if you've got it I can send him down with the stuff and you could do it.

Weisskopf – Okay, that's fine. That would be good.

DeCola – I'll tell Brad to talk to you Fred and get that done.

Weisskopf – Okay. Thank you.

DeCola – Thank you. Anything else?

Murray – Me.

DeCola – Okay, go ahead.

Murray – I talked with Jim White about the ditch on Kingston Road. He got a hold of Chris Munsie; he's a foreman for the County. He's going to meet me and Jim and he's going to bring an engineer with him to take a look at the situation. Would it be all right if I took Brad with me also?

DeCola – He should be there, yes.

Murray – Alright.

Demarco – Which one?

DeCola – Kingston.

Murray – Thursday night these guys had to go clear it out.

DeMarco – Probably the leaves weren't pulled out from the fall, I guarantee it.

Ely – Yes, we took half a truckload if not more out of there.

DeMarco – If nobody's cleaning the leaves...if anything they're pushing them in there. You know what I'm saying? So it's going to be there. There's nothing wrong with the ditch.

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DeMarco - It's all the leaves in the ditch.

Ely - There's erosion happening on the ditch Anthony. So, it's starting. The road is going to erode if it keeps going. So, the County's actually got to dig above where the village line is. They've got to dig up further. We're only digging up to the village line and that's it and if they don't dig the top part of it everything just comes down the hill and we're digging it again.

Murray - So, if we get the engineer to show up maybe he can divert the water some other way too. I don't know.

DeMarco - They should be seeding it too after they dig it, but they're probably not doing it.

Murray - I've got a question for you guys. That's a County road, so let's just say we do lose the road down by the Jones' that's in the Village of Elbridge. Is it still the responsibility of the County if that road collapses? Or does that become our problem?

DeCola - It's a County road. We don't maintain that road.

Murray - I just wanted to know, so when I'm talking to that guy from the County and he'll say maybe the Village is going to fix that road if it caved.

DeCola - No.

Murray - Okay. I just wanted to make sure.

DeCola - We just maintain the culvert from the Jones' up to the village line, but the problem is it comes down from further up, so it's dumping more no matter how much we maintain it. It's just going to keep coming down from up above where the County just isn't doing anything.

Murray - Well, at least I have an answer if the guy from the County says well that's going to be the Village's problem if the road caves in.

DeMarco - If it's down below on ours it basically almost is. Yes, it should be the County, but I guarantee they're going to push it on us as the Village. I would assume, but maybe not.

DeCola - Patrick, that wasn't down by the Jones' where it was. Wasn't it up?

Ely - No, that's up a little bit, but yes, that's out of the village. It's the County more.

DeCola - yes, we went up above. I can't think of who's house that was. We went up above on the other side of the village line. There was another drain that was clogged really bad that we unplugged even though it wasn't in the village, because it wasn't going to do any good to leave that one.

Ely - It'll all just come down eventually.

Murray - Maybe the engineer can give us the right answer for this.

DeCola - It doesn't take much engineering to realize everything is going to keep coming down hill. That's where water goes.

Everyone - Yes

Murray - But hey, here's one more question though. This only happens when we get two inches of rain all at once, right?

DeMarco - Yes, and the leaves and everything else.

Ely - And the leaves, but it's not being cleaned out and all the people up there are pushing all of their leaves into it. Which they're doing. They're putting them in the ditch.

Murray - I talked with Brad today. He said he checked there in front of Jones' and he said that was all clear.

Ely - No way. John, there's no way.

Murray - He told me that today.

Ely - The amount of stuff we took out of there; there's no way.

DeCola - We spent two hours there that night.

Ely - No way.

Murray - Well, that's what he told me.

DeCola - Let me know when they come. Everything else that night was fine. Willow Lane; that worked fine. There was nothing wrong with that one. There was an issue...I didn't even know there was a retention pond...retention pond behind the old Gray property. I can't think of her name; Larry Gray's daughter sold that house. Was it Chariot?

Caron - Tam

DeCola - That's it, yes. There's a retention pond up behind that property. They called.

DeMarco - West Chariot?

DeCola - yes, behind the Tam's old property. They called today wondering. I guess it clogged up really bad; flooded their basement. Wanted to know why it wasn't clear. I talked with Tom and he said that it is not ours. It never has been. That was Larry Gray's. So, Brad let the property owner know that it has nothing to do with the Village. Wasn't anywhere near our...

DeMarco - I'm trying to think where it would be.

DeCola - Up behind. You know the hill.

Harris - Behind the plaza.

Weisskopf - Beyond the plaza on Larry Gray's property. Where Tam's was.

Murray - Hey, one more question about this ditch. If the County or this engineer wants to get ahold of us, who should I tell him to get ahold of? I mean, if he calls me I've got nothing. I can't tell him what to do or anything.

DeCola - It depends what he's calling about. I mean, he has to call me.

Murray - Should I give him your number? As a contact number?

DeCola - That's fine.

Murray - Alright, that's all I wanted to know.

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DeCola – I have a handful of things, hopefully within the next twelve minutes, before we get knocked off. Projects that need to get done. Pole barn, siding of LT2, then block. Is that the generator room Patrick?

Ely – Yes, generator room.

DeCola – At the fire house, needs to basically be redone. The top. Just the top block. So, with the pole barn being number one that needs to be done, here's my thought on this. See what you guys think. He obviously can't do it alone. Mitchell can't; he has no knowledge of that, so what Brad is asking is if the Board is amenable to us bringing his dad back. Obviously, we terminated his role, so we can't bring him back under that, so we can bring him back under summer help and then give him just basically ten days to complete those projects. I don't know what else to do, I guess, so I'm looking for input from everyone.

Murray – You know we still have to get the sidewalk done across from the Wayside where the barbershop is. What about the bricks and everything?

DeCola – They can do that on their own. These are the projects that Brad can't. I think his dad has the knowledge on all of that.

DeMarco – Yes, he does.

DeCola – It's that or we hire out to do it and that's going to cost a fortune.

Weisskopf – So, hire his dad under summer help, because we have money in the budget and just, as you said, ten days to finish the pole barn, and then we need at least the LT2 siding bought. You can do that later.

DeCola – Mitchell and him can at least tear that apart real easy. They can pull that off.

Weisskopf – Yes.

Harris – And I'm sure Mitchell could do the siding. I mean, it's not difficult to do siding.

Murray – You still have to mow all the lawns.

DeCola – Yes.

Weisskopf – Correct.

DeCola – Mitchell's going to keep mowing. I don't have any other thoughts how we can get this done.

Murray – I kind of like bringing back Duane.

Harris – Just for the ten days. That's fine.

DeCola – Unless anyone else on the Board has a different idea.

Murray – It might be longer than ten days though.

DeCola – No John.

Ely – No way. You've got to put a timeline.

DeMarco – You've got to put a timeline or you'll be in trouble with him. I can tell you right now.

DeCola – Yes. Ten days is ten days, not whenever you use a day. Obviously, I know we are doing stuff outside; you've got weather, but that's it. I've talked with Harry about it, because we terminated that other position, whether we're okay putting him under summer help. He didn't think that would cause a problem. Due to everything going on with COVID it's at the Board's discretion if we want to waive, you know, the blood testing and urine testing because of the current situation. He said it would be within our right to waive that. Who knows how long that would even take right now for them to see him.

Ely – So, let's hire Duane back and waive the drug test and all that stuff.

DeCola – Okay.

Ely – We've got to get this stuff done.

Harris – Yep.

Ely – We can't wait too long.

DeCola – I want it done in this month if at all possible. Before the next meeting all those three things are off the list.

Harris – So will he start Monday? When are you having him start?

DeCola – We can, if he's ready to use him for the pole barn. Yes, we could obviously. We'd have to make sure Renee is good with what she needs to make sure.

DeMarco – We can't keep waiting. That wood is starting to discolor right now.

DeCola – No, then let's get it done. That will be number one. That can get done in two to three days, his dad said. They'll have it all closed up. I was just adding those other days to get that other stuff done. I thought if his dad was around to push. These are the three jobs we have to do. Let's get them done. Mitchell can stay on the mowing and right now we're getting a lot of brush because everyone is home and working on their yards, so brush just keeps piling up. They did it last week and now there was a bunch out there again this week and we need to keep continuing with that. There's other clean up that we talked about for him to take a look at. So, I guess if everyone is good with that we can make that motion.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Any opposed?

(no response)

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DeCola – I'll let him know that right away. We're going to skip the Joint Water System SEQR review on this and then what we will do is probably we will schedule a half hour ZOOM on just that SEQR because that alone is going to take twenty minutes, so I don't want to waste tonight on doing that. By us delaying that by a week, it's not going to set the project back at all. So, I'm going to skip that. I have the NYSEG letter for LED conversion. Did everyone have a chance to see that? I e-mailed that out. It's pretty straight forward. I just need to go through and cross out the ones that are in the Route 5 project, that are going to stay right now until the State gets the new lights and takes them out. So, we don't want them to convert the lights that they are just going to turn around and take out.

Harris – Right.

DeCola – This Tim at NYSEG gave me the list. He wants me to cross out the ones to say we're not converting these. He will then give us the final bill for May. So it's on our May numbers for this budget year.

Weisskopf – Good. Thank you.

DeCola – If the Board is agreeable with that, authorize the Mayor to sign that letter and get it back to NYSEG. That amount was four thousand nine hundred, but I think that will come down a little bit too because some of those lights were the lights that were coming down on Main Street. So, It's not going to exceed four thousand nine hundred dollars. If anything it will be lower. I need that motion to authorize the Mayor to execute that LED streetlight conversion.

Harris – I'll make that motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Great and then that second e-mail was from the County for the Community Development Grant for those lights. They've approved us for up to thirty thousand dollars. I've read through that. It's a lot of pages, but it's really just their standard agreement that the County uses. The first couple of pages are in regards to us. I just have to give them proof of insurance and something else and once we sign that and send it in and the contractor has the lights in we can apply to Community Development for the thirty thousand dollars.

Murray – Oh, they are going to give us thirty now?

DeCola – Yes, they're going to give us fifty percent of what we spend.

Murray – Oh, good.

DeCola – The State had already set it at sixty. It's not going to exceed sixty. They got us right in at sixty thousand dollars.

Murray – oh, no, it was thirty all the time. I thought it was twenty.

DeCola – No. So, if everyone doesn't have an issue with that I can execute that agreement and get it back to the County.

Ely – No issue, go ahead.

DeCola – I guess we'll put that in a motion authorizing the Mayor to execute the Onondaga County Community Development Grant.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Is there a second?

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – Great. All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Bills; are we going to do the same process? Everyone stop in to take a look at those bills. Want to do that, Renee?

Caron – Yes. They were locked in Melissa's desk, so she'll get those out tomorrow.

Ely – I'll go in the morning. I'll sign them in the morning.

DeMarco – Alright.

Harris – I can sign them.

DeMarco – If she doesn't see me, tell her to call me.

DeCola – So, do we want to offer a motion to pay Abstract twelve Renee? Barring that if any of you have a question when you see those bills.

Caron – Yes.

DeCola – And if you do, put it aside hold it out.

Ely – Yes.

DeCola – So, I need a motion to pay Abstract twelve barring any questions that the Board Members may have on a particular bill and then it will be set aside and not paid.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – All in favor?

Aye

DeCola – Great. I don't see anything else.

Caron – yes, you need the Tax Warrant. That's got to be done.

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DeCola – I've got that right here. I downloaded it. Here it is. So, I just read this, right Renee?
Caron – Yes.

DeCola - A resolution levying the total taxes and other charges extended and levied against each parcel of real property shown on the roll prepared and verified by the Town Assessor on July 1, 2019, subject to reduction of special franchise assessments, court orders and removal of exemptions, for our Fiscal Year 2020-2021, was offered by Trustee _____, and seconded by Trustee _____, WHEREAS, a budget hearing was held on April 20, 2020 and the budget was finalized and adopted on April 20, 2020, be it RESOLVED, that there be levied and assessed against the real property of the Village of Elbridge a tax rate of \$3.24 per thousand of assessed valuation and other charges (i.e., unpaid water rents, unpaid fire inspection fees.....

The meeting was cut off and ended. Everyone was disconnected.

7:45 p.m. Resumed meeting with Mayor DeCola, Trustees Ely and DeMarco, Clerk-Treasurer Caron, and Resident/Budget Officer Fred Weisskopf. Trustees Harris and Murray were absent.

DeCola – I'll give them one more minute to hop back on here. Now that we are back in is there anything else that we missed?

Caron – You just have to authorize me to pay the bills through the end of the year because we are in May, so we are going to do Abstract #13.

DeCola – That's right. Is the Planning Board meeting in May? Or don't we know yet?

Caron – We don't know.

DeCola – Okay. I have to fill that one empty seat.

Ely – Were we going to buy Christmas decorations this year?

DeCola – Let's talk about that too. I think I saw Fred hop back on.

Weisskopf – Yes, I'm back on.

DeCola – Perfect. Actually, we can continue on, the three of us are on , so when they figure out the log back in I'll let them back in. So, I think you sent that to my e-mail.

Ely – I don't know which one I sent it to. I know I sent it to you though.

DeCola – Do you remember how many you got, Patrick?

Ely – I looked at like twenty; fifteen or twenty of them. You got it?

DeCola – I just found it.

Weisskopf – Okay, you have \$6,500.00 in celebrations.

Ely - \$6,500.00?

Weisskopf – Yes, and you have some money from last year, but that's going to expire, so right now you have \$6,500.00 in celebrations.

Ely – Okay.

Weisskopf – You only use a little of that and you're not going to use any, because we're not going to have Memorial Day Parades.

DeCola – So, you probably want LED's right?

Ely – That's what I was going to ask you guys. The other thing is, do you want to go with five foot or do you want to go with six foot? Five foot is about \$100.00 cheaper, or so, than the six foot. Six foot is obviously more expensive.

DeCola – What are the current ones, six foot?

Ely – I think so.

DeCola – If you go LED's on a six foot you're getting about half of them on \$6,500.00. You're getting about half purchased.

Ely – Right.

Weisskopf – Okay, you have approximately fifteen to sixteen hundred in this year's budget, so if somehow you can work it to split it you'll have the \$1,500.00 plus \$6,500.00.

Ely – You just have to pay it this month, right?

Weisskopf – All we have to have is a bill. We need a bill for the \$1,500.00 and then the bill for the \$6,500.00. They don't have to ship them, but Renee needs a bill so we can encumber that money.

Ely – Okay.

DeCola – Maybe they can break it out into two bills. One for \$1,500.00.....

Ely – Yes, two bills.

Weisskopf – I'm sure they can play the game.

Ely – I'm sure they can. So you want to do LED? Five foot?

DeMarco – I would think.

DeCola – You want LED's too?

DeMarco – Yes

DeCola – How many is this, Patrick? How many total? Oh, twenty, there it is.

Ely – Twenty, but we don't have to do twenty. I don't know how many there are. I'm just going off of an estimated number.

DeCola – There's not much of a difference. Twenty at six feet is eleven. It's basically a \$40.00 difference. Order ten now?

Ely – Do ten now and ten next year? Do it that way?

DeCola – It's a thought.

DeMarco – It seems like we have more than twenty now I'm thinking.

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Weisskopf – I think we have a lot more than twenty. I think we have close to forty or more.

DeMarco – Yep

Weisskopf – So when you buy them do every other one until next year.

DeMarco – With ten you're not getting every other one.

DeCola – You might not get the same one come next time.

Ely – Yes, that's exactly it. I mean do we really need to keep going every pole all the way through the village? You know what I mean? There's a cost to all of it obviously. We have to try to still keep it looking somewhat presentable, but do something, but do we have to do every pole all the way through? That's my big thing cause I mean there probably is thirty to thirty-five decorations out there maybe. I would think there's close to that I'm assuming.

Weisskopf – It's at least that.

DeCola – Including what used to go up on the new part of Route 5?

Ely – Yes, that's including everything. That would include the whole thing.

DeCola – Right now we are only going from the Meadows back down to the other end of the village.

Ely – Right.

DeCola – I just don't know if we can squeak out twenty right now, that's the thing.

Ely – Well, I think you do ten. Here's my other idea; these are snowflakes, we do ten snowflakes. Next year we come up and we do ten of something different. Then we can kind of rotate things in between. Switch it up a little bit so it's not just a snowflake. It could be something else. So we could change it up, put different things.

DeMarco – Yes, but you have to remember we're going to have to put them up messed up with the ones we already have. We can't go get a million different ones I don't think. That's my thought. It would be looking real...you know.

DeCola – He says from end to end from village line to Firehouse it's thirty-five without the new part, without the new lights going up he thinks it's about twenty, so from the Meadows back down to the Village Hall.

Ely – Is twenty?

DeCola – Yes, approximately. He said twenty-five tops. The rest were on old poles that are all gone or will be gone.

DeMarco – Okay.

DeCola – So, I don't know.

Ely – Do ten for now. Get them ordered? Do whatever you guys want to do.

DeCola – Well, what would it look like if we ordered ten and just put ten up now? I mean, use some of our old ones still? Just slowly swap them out? Or no?

Ely – No. Let's do ten, space them out more down the line. Space them, you know, so they're kind of spaced out, then eventually we'll keep bringing in. We will try to buy ten more next year. Fifteen more next year. Try and get them on there and we will have to keep going that way.

Piece meal it in, I guess.

DeCola – What if we got ten now and then come toward the late fall if there's a way we can find other money that won't get used order an additional ten at the end of this year. Then we do it and if we don't we can then, well just roll with what we have.

Ely – Roll with what we have. This is out of a catalog that I found it in. I don't think they are going to change it that much. I just think it's just going to be what changes probably is the bulbs in it, not the style of it, so I think we can still find it.

DeCola – I don't mind alternating a different theme, but I don't know what everyone else...if they will like that. If the residents will be upset that it's not all the same. I don't know, that's not my...I have no...uh

Ely – I hear you.

DeCola – I need someone else's thought on what looks better; keeping the same consistency or not.

Ely – Well, anything's better than the decorations we have now. People are just complaining about them, so if we do ten we're trying to make it better.

DeCola – Okay.

Weisskopf – How about if you order...talk to the company...five now, ten in June.

DeCola – Okay.

Weisskopf – And they bill you for five now. You have \$1,600.00 and I'm sure we can find a little more money, but you buy five now and ten in June and they give you the discount, but they bill you for five now and ten in June.

DeCola – I like that.

Weisskopf – Then you have fifteen at least.

Ely – Okay, I can do that.

Weisskopf – We can swing that. So, we'll get fifteen, but they have to break it into two bills.

Ely – Okay.

DeCola – I'm okay with that.

Ely – Alright.

DeCola – Murray can't get back on so...

Weisskopf – Then you can work on next year either buying the same thing or something different and just alternate every other one.

Ely – Yes, that's what my thought was.

Weisskopf – But that will get you fifteen for next year at least.

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DeCola – Yes.

Caron – I think they will always have snowflakes they just might not look exactly the same.

DeCola – I would think so. It's not like they are going to get rid of that design.

Ely- No, I don't think they will.

DeCola – Alright, then we work on getting another fifteen and we will have thirty throughout the village. Let's do that then.

Ely – Okay.

DeCola – We probably should offer up a motion.

Ely – So, I make a motion to buy five of the five foot LED snowflakes now and then...You want me to make a motion for the rest of it? For the others in June?

DeCola – Yes.

Ely – Then purchase ten more in June.

Weisskopf – And then they give us the price.

Ely – They are going to keep the price the same amount. I'll work on that.

Weisskopf – yes, if we do it, they keep the price the same even though it's one month apart.

Ely – Yes, I'll work them on that. I had companies going against each other on this and this is the lowest I could get it.

DeCola – Okay, we have a motion and a second right? I heard...perfect

DeMarco – Yes

DeCola – Let me just go back to that Tax Levy so Renee can have that. The resolution for the Tax Levy, as I was going to say, upon roll call, but now we don't have everyone.

Ely – I can call John, get him on speaker phone.

DeMarco - Where's Stephanie?

Ely – Or I can call Stephanie.

DeMarco – They can't get back on?

DeCola – He said he couldn't get back on.

Ely – Alright, well I will put Stephanie on speaker phone.

Harris – Hello.

Ely – Hi, can you hear me? We're still trying to do this Tax Levy. I think you probably are having trouble getting connected back on, right?

Harris – Yes.

Ely – Alright, Chris is just going to keep reading through this Tax Levy. Just tell me if you can hear him or not.

Harris – Okay.

DeCola – I probably should go back to the beginning. Okay, real quick...

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DeCola – So, I need a motion for this levy.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeCola – I need a second.

DeMarco – I'll second.

DeCola – Renee will do the roll call vote.

Caron – Mayor DeCola?

DeCola – Yes.

Caron – Trustee Harris?

Harris – Yes.

Caron – Trustee Ely?

Ely – Yes.

Caron – Trustee DeMarco?

DeMarco – Yes.

Caron – Trustee Murray?

DeCola – Absent, or left the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Alright, and then we needed to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to pay bills to year end.

Ely – That's going to be Abstract thirteen?

Caron – Yes, thirteen.

Ely – So, I'll make the motion.

DeCola – Authorizing her to pay bills through the end of the year. Is there a second?

Harris – I'll second it.

DeCola – Great. All those in favor?

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Aye

DeCola – Opposed?

(no response)

DeCola – We also need to do budget amendments you said?

Caron – No, I think I can do that. When I year end I just have to make all of the budget amendments to balance it.

DeCola – Okay. Did we miss anything Renee?

Caron – I don't think so.

DeCola – Alright, so work schedules. Starting tomorrow the DPW is going to go back to their normal work schedule, whatever that is, 7:30 to 4:00. Whatever they normally do.

Ely – 7:30 to 4:00.

Harris – Is Mitchell working with Brad?

DeCola – So, what we are trying to do...we're trying to keep everybody working on separate jobs on whatever they're doing. We're doing our best. Whether it's mowing...there's enough outside work for that. As far as Renee and Melissa, I've been alternating them every other day so that they are not together. I did talk to Melissa, but I haven't talked to Renee yet, but moving forward how they would like to approach that for after the 15th whether we move Melissa into the big conference table so they have space. It's up to them. I want the two of them to feel comfortable.

Caron – I think we are both okay with it as of the 15th. It'll be fine.

DeCola – Alright, so we'll just keep alternating through the 15th and then after that date we'll go back to our normal. What we will leave the same though is, or change is, office by appointment only until we feel more comfortable with going back to an open door policy. _____ what other municipalities are doing, but I would say as of the 15th Right now we are strictly closed, but as of the 15th we'll say it's by appointment only. If you need a Village service you'll have to schedule an appointment with us. That way people won't just be walking in if that makes sense to everybody.

Harris – Hmm, hmm.

Ely – Yes, that's fine.

DeCola – Anything else we missed? Any other topics? The only other thing I had, and I already checked with Harry is...What's that Circle Drive? Where does Tom live? What's that, Circle and?

Caron – Scott Circle.

Ely – Chamberlin Drive.

DeCola – So, in that lower circle...I don't know the one resident there that's right when you first pull in. Straight in...um

Ely – Briggs?

DeCola – What was it?

Ely – Briggs.

DeCola – In their backyard and also at Tom's is separate, but he understands, but that other resident doesn't apparently, there's a massive sink hole that's formed. I guess it's been there before. It was just filled in and now it's back again. It's in their backyard and the resident was asking what the Village is going to do about it. Per Harry, that's not in our right of way. We have no liability in that. We didn't create it, so just in case anybody comes to you guys and asks about what the Village is going to do. It's also in Tom's backyard, but Tom says I'm filling mine in, I understand the Village has no control.

Harris – No control over it.

DeCola – Correct. So, I just don't know if anyone is going to come to you guys and ask what the Village is going to do about that sink hole.

Harris – Okay.

DeCola – In case. I have not seen it. I haven't gone over there.

Harris – It's on Circle Drive?

Ely – Whatever is the lower one. Chamberlin, Scott Circle

Harris – up on the top, okay.

DeCola – I guess a few years back it did the same thing and they just filled it in, but it's doing it again and no one knows why; if it was something that the builder did years ago and buried. I don't know. I have no clue why. If there was something underground.

Weisskopf – There's sink holes all over the village.

DeCola – Is there?

Weisskopf – yes, all over the village, especially on North Street. There's bunches of sink holes there.

DeCola – Okay, but unless somebody knows anything different, Harry says it's not our liability the homeowner has to take care of it in case anyone gets questions on that. I don't have anything else on my list.

Ely – I'm good.

DeCola – You guys good?

Harris – I'm good.

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DeCola – Any other DPW things that need to be addressed besides what were already referenced? I do have him... Yes, I still see Fred. I told him on yesterday's meeting with the County they said as of the 15th he was going to allow libraries to open back up for limited service. So, I told Brad that library work needed to get done. So that's another thing that needed to get done this week; all those lights before they open back up. I forgot what day he said it was supposed to rain all day. I told him it better be done before. I don't know who's running the Library right now. I left a message.

Weisskopf – Camille DiSanza.

DeCola – Camille is?

Weisskopf – Yes.

DeCola – Okay, because I just wanted...

Weisskopf – She's the Head Librarian right now.

DeCola – She took over for Karen?

Weisskopf – Yes.

DeCola – Okay.

Weisskopf – She's been doing it; subbing for Karen, but right now she's Head.

DeCola – Okay. I just wanted to make sure they knew and have everything they need to wipe down; to sanitize. I don't know if they do...to open...have the supplies they need if they decide to open back up. I'll make sure that the projects get finished. I didn't have anything else on my list of things to do, but if you guys come across anything else. I don't have anything else to talk about.

Ely – Alright.

DeCola – Well, that's it. I need a motion to adjourn.

Ely – I'll make the motion.

DeMarco – I'll second it.

DeCola – Hopefully by June 1st maybe we can start to resume meetings. Thank you.