

VILLAGE OF ELBRIDGE  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
July, 2020

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>T &amp; A</u>	<u>CAP FUNDS</u>
Bal 4/30/2020	407774.05	597406.70	7896.80	0.00
May Receipts	<u>55033.85</u>	<u>25928.03</u>	<u>33209.83</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	462807.90	623334.73	41106.63	0.00
May Disb	<u>56424.55</u>	<u>38729.60</u>	<u>32778.47</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Bal 5/31/2020	406383.35	584605.13	8328.16	0.00

These balances HAVE been confirmed by bank statements.

**Regular Meeting, Tuesday, August 4, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Offices, 210 West Main Street. Trustees present were DeMarco, Ely, Murray and Harris with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Caron was also present.

Residents Roland Gassler, Peter LaDouceur, Stuart and Shery Weinburg, Peggy Simmons, Cindy Geery, and Colin and Dawn Wolff were present.

Code Enforcement Officer Howard Tanner was also in attendance.

Mayor DeCola led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor DeCola recognized Roland Gassler who asked that the slit drain on Willow Lane be cleaned out. Mayor DeCola stated that he had cleaned it out personally in April. He will have DPW check it tomorrow.

Mayor DeCola recognized Sylvan Street residents who have presented a Petition to the Board of Trustees to remedy problems caused by the processing of topsoil at DeMarco's Nursery. The residents are not happy with the noise and dust. It is their understanding that a 2012 agreement was never executed, however that agreement was entered into on February 28, 2013. Mr. DeMarco doesn't want problems with his neighbors and is willing to work with them. He asked that they call him directly. Mr. DeMarco stated that the pile they are processing is from the Nursery property and is mostly gone. He will use a different screener, but will need four to six weeks to remove the remaining pile. When gone they plan on adding a tree field in that location. Residents asked if he could wet it down to eliminate the dust. Mr. Wolff suggested an amendment to the 2012 agreement. Mayor DeCola will discuss with Attorney Armani.

Mr. LaDouceur, Mr. & Mrs. Weinburg, and Mr. & Mrs. Wolff left at 7:21 p.m.

Resident Cindy Geery inquired about what would be considered a permanent structure. The Codes Office has denied her building permit application for a carport with a roof and one wall. She was informed of the appeals process and told that she can apply for a variance to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mrs. Geery and Ms. Simmons left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

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

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

**Reports of Officers and Committees –**

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

Howard Tanner presented the Code Enforcement Report. Trustee Harris moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement Officer Tanner stated that he has received numerous complaints regarding chickens in the Village. Per Village Code no chickens, ducks, fowl or any animals commonly known as "farm animals" are allowed in the Village of Elbridge. He is aware of at least seven residents who have chickens and there is at least one rooster. The code has not been enforced.

The Board is not inclined to amend the code and would like it to be enforced. Code Enforcement Officer Tanner will issue thirty day Notices to Remedy to those in violation.

There was no Public Works Report.

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

**Trustee, Mayor and Attorney Reports -**

Trustee Harris – Stated that DPW employees should inform the Board when using vacation time.

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Trustee Murray – He wanted all to know that DPW has been using a Maintenance Log for all vehicles and equipment. Employee Alex King has been washing all pieces weekly. He will only be working for three more weeks.

Trustee DeMarco – He has been working on getting the speed sign repaired. There was another water main break on East Main Street. The water main piping has been repaired numerous times in recent years and should be replaced in that area.

Trustee Ely – He would like to know what the procedure is and questioned the need to call Village of Jordan employees for water main break repairs.

Asst. Chiefs Gordon Franz, Ryan Franz and Ryan Peters arrived at 8:10 p.m.

Asst. Chief Gordon Franz presented the Fire Department Report for July. Trustee Ely moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Murray, and carried unanimously.

The Department is going to reconvene the Truck Committee. Rescue 5 and Engine 1 are each over 25 years old and have exceeded their lifecycles. The Fire Department would like to replace them with one piece of equipment. They are hoping to sell the two pieces. The committee will investigate options and gather information for the Village Board.

Engine 3 is now 20 years old, so it is nearing its' end of life as well.

Mayor DeCola stated that he would like to find a used commercial stainless steel sink for the Fire House kitchen.

The generator needs repair. The Chiefs were instructed to contact Kraft Power Corporation.

After a six year suspension, Past Chief Robert Chuff has asked to return to the Department as a regular member. The Village Board will review past issues.

Asst. Chiefs Franz, Franz and Peters, as well as Howard Tanner and Mr. Gassler left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

#### **Old Business**

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Murray, and carried unanimously, to modify the budget and increase revenue account code A2389 Other Home & Community Services – Other Governments \$30,000.00, increase expenditure account code A5182.2 Street Lighting – Capital Improvements \$30,000.00 for the Onondaga County Street Lights Grant and make the necessary budget amendments then encumber funds from the 2019-2020 budget totaling \$30,000.00 for the Village share of NYSDOT Lighting Betterment Agreement.

Per Resolution #15-19, Mayor DeCola will execute the NYSDOT Lighting Betterment Agreement and Utility work Agreement.

#### **New Business**

Mayor DeCola read Resolution #5-2020.

The resolution was offered by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried on roll call vote, in memory of John "Jack" G. Horner, former Planning Board Chairman, Member and Secretary, Marriage Officer, Deputy Clerk and Historian of the Village of Elbridge. (See Resolution #5-2020 attached)

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously, granting permission for The Weedsport Winter Wanderers to use a portion of Village property for a snowmobile trail at Seymour Lofft Park, contingent upon the receipt of a Certificate of Insurance.

Mayor DeCola has had difficulty finding a resident who would be interested in serving on the Planning Board.

There was some discussion regarding garbage removal. The Board will look into solutions for future garbage removal contracts.

After review of the bills by the Board of Trustees, a motion was offered by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Ely, and carried unanimously, to approve payment of August Abstract #3, in the amount of \$75,427.14 for General Fund Vouchers A28-A53, Checks 13974,14003 - 14027, and \$17,436.69 for Water Fund Vouchers F14-F32, Checks 4998, 5006-5023.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Murray, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee M. Caron  
Clerk-Treasurer

RESOLUTION # 5-2020

Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, August 4, 2020

In memory of John "Jack" G. Horner former Planning Board Chairman, Member and Secretary, Marriage Officer, Deputy Clerk and Historian of the Village of Elbridge, Mayor Christopher A. DeCola read the following resolution, which was offered by Trustee Harris, and seconded by Trustee DeMarco, who moved for its approval:

WHEREAS John G. Horner served faithfully as a Chairman, Member and Secretary of the Village of Elbridge Planning Board from April, 1972 to April, 2002 for a total of thirty years, and

WHEREAS John served as the Village's Marriage Officer from July, 1991 to August, 2011 a total of twenty years, and

WHEREAS John served as Deputy Clerk from April, 1985 to April, 1987, and

WHEREAS John also served as Village Historian from April, 2015 to April, 2016, and

WHEREAS John served on the Village of Elbridge 125<sup>th</sup> and 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committees, and

WHEREAS John was a Member of the Elbridge Free Library and the Elbridge Gerry Days Committee, and

WHEREAS the Village of Elbridge is thankful for John "Jack" G. Horner's forty years of distinguished public service to our community, and

WHEREAS Mr. Horner died on Wednesday, June 24, 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 his family by the mailing of a copy of this resolution to his 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	_____	Voted	<u>YES</u>
STEPHANIE A. HARRIS, TRUSTEE	_____	Voted	<u>YES</u>

The resolution was thereupon declared to be duly adopted.