

VILLAGE OF ELBRIDGE  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
August, 2020

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>T &amp; A</u>	<u>CAP FUNDS</u>
Bal 5/31/2020	406383.35	584605.13	8328.16	0.00
June Receipts	<u>178453.06</u>	<u>1763.63</u>	<u>17523.67</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	584836.41	586368.76	25851.83	0.00
June Disb	<u>21716.92</u>	<u>8267.81</u>	<u>23884.26</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Bal 6/30/2020	563119.49	578100.95	1967.57	0.00

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Bal 6/30/2020	563119.49	578100.95	1967.57	0.00
July Receipts	<u>49270.33</u>	<u>29057.26</u>	<u>17592.62</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	612389.82	607158.21	19560.19	0.00
July Disb	<u>37052.57</u>	<u>9092.85</u>	<u>15134.35</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Bal 7/31/2020	575337.25	598065.36	4425.84	0.00

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**Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 8, 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 Harris, Ely, and Murray with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Caron was also present. Trustee DeMarco was absent.

Residents Timothy Karlik, Cynthia Sanderson, Kathleen Sanderson and Resident/Town Councilman Floyd Duger were present.

Maintenance Worker I Bradley Milton, J-E School Superintendent James Froio, Carrie Milton, Sofia Milton, Mr. & Mrs. Duane Milton and Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Chilson were also in attendance.

Mayor DeCola led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor DeCola recognized J-E School Superintendent James Froio who presented Bradley A. Milton with his High School Diploma.

Mr. Froio, Carrie & Sofia Milton, Mr. & Mrs. Duane Milton and Mr. & Mrs. Chilson left the meeting.

Mayor DeCola recognized Ms. Sanderson who asked why there is no noise ordinance in the Village. Her neighbor on Valley Drive plays his car stereo so loud it rattles her windows. The State Police have been contacted but they can't do anything about it. Mayor DeCola stated that noise ordinances are very hard to enforce, but will discuss the issue with the Village Attorney and the Code Enforcement Officer.

Cars are speeding as well and the same individual often times squeals his tires. Mayor DeCola stated that the police would have to enforce that.

Ms. Sanderson requested that the numerous potholes on Valley Drive be filled. Her mother is in a wheelchair and they have had a hard time maneuvering around them so she doesn't tip over. The Village DPW has plans to repave a portion of Valley Drive and fill the potholes next week.

Suspicious activity, partying and drugs have been a problem on land beyond the barriers on Valley Drive. Mayor DeCola informed her that that area is in the Town of Elbridge and she should contact Town of Elbridge Officials. Councilman Duger will bring her concerns before the Town Board.

Several Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 52, Resident/Fire Chief Paul Czarnecki and Holly Czarnecki joined the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Mayor DeCola recognized Mr. & Mrs. Czarnecki and Mr. Karlik who all addressed the Board about the Notices they received from the Code Enforcement Officer regarding their chickens. Per Village Code chickens are not allowed in the Village of Elbridge. They believe the Local Law is antiquated and should be changed. They consider them pets and they produce eggs for their families. They asked the Board to consider a time extension and to hold a Public Hearing and possibly a referendum. Based on public opinion they are willing to remedy the situation. Mr. & Mrs. Czarnecki are willing to get rid of their rooster. Mr. Karlik doesn't want to have to kill his chickens, but allow them to live out their lives.

September 8, 2020 Village Board Meeting Cont.

Mayor DeCola stated that the Village has received numerous complaints from residents recently. We also received a complaint from an attorney who said they would sue the Village for not enforcing our Local Laws. Code Enforcement Officer Tanner has been working hard to enforce all of the Local Laws. Board Members have contacted other municipalities regarding their policies. They found that no Villages in Onondaga County allow chickens. The Village of Port Byron in Cayuga County allows a resident to have up to six chickens with a Special Permit for a \$200.00 fee and all neighbors must approve. There have been numerous court cases which all ruled that chickens are not pets.

The Board of Trustees is willing to allow a stay of 30 days on their Orders to Remedy and to hold a Public Hearing to gather public opinion. During this time, Public Hearings must have virtual accessibility due to COVID-19. Mayor DeCola will discuss with the Village Attorney and Code Enforcement Officer Tanner.

Trustee DeMarco arrived at 7:36 p.m.

Assistant Fire Chiefs Gordy Franz and Ryan Franz joined the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Cynthia and Kathleen Sanderson and Timothy Karlik left at 7:48 p.m.

Town of Elbridge Officials approached Mayor DeCola regarding the management of Seymour Lofft Park. The Town was not interested last year, however, thoughts have changed. Highway Superintendent White is willing to take over general management of the Park. Joseph Patrick; Town of Elbridge Recreation Director would be very much involved also. Councilman Duger presented the Board with an Intermunicipal Agreement for their consideration. There was some discussion. The Village of Elbridge would be responsible for all capital improvements. The brush pile would be for Village residents use only and Village Officials would like the use of the pavilion and grounds to remain free for Village and Town residents. The Village Board doesn't have many concerns and needs clarification on several things. The Village Attorney will review the Agreement. The Town is working on their budget and they're looking to execute the Agreement soon.

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 August 4, 2020.

The minutes of the last regular meeting on August 4, 2020 were accepted on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Murray and carried unanimously.

#### **Reports of Officers and Committees –**

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

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

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously, authorizing Clerk-Treasurer Caron to transfer \$72,388.55 (2019-2020 LT2 Expenditures) from the LT2 Money Market Savings Account to the Water Fund Money Market Savings Account.

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

Chief Czarnecki presented the Fire Department Report for August. Trustee Ely moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Murray, and carried unanimously.

Chief Czarnecki reported that the Department has ongoing training outside of the district and takes Fire Equipment with them. All of the fire hoses have been tested and four pieces failed. Ladder testing is complete with no problems. The generator room block needs repair as soon as possible and a new kitchen sink needs to be installed. Trustee DeMarco may have a sink they can use.

Assistant Chief Gordy Franz stated that they have a new graduate from the Firefighter 1 class.

The Truck Committee will be meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup> to get some sketches and hard estimates/quotes for a new vehicle.

Chief Czarnecki, Asst. Chiefs Franz and Franz and Mrs. Czarnecki left the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Floyd Duger and the Scouts left at 8:30 p.m.

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 Murray – He suggested that the landscaping at the State Trooper Barracks and around the Village of Elbridge sign be removed and changed so it is easier to maintain.

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Trustee Harris – no report

Trustee DeMarco – nothing to report

Trustee Ely – no report

**New Business**

Mayor DeCola read Resolution #6-2020.

The resolution was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried on roll call vote, to adopt the new Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1). (See Resolution #6-2020 attached)

After review of the bills by the Board of Trustees, a motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried unanimously, to approve payment of September Abstract #4, in the amount of \$58,700.60 for General Fund Vouchers A54-A88, Checks 14028 - 14062, and \$20,850.79 for Water Fund Vouchers F33-F50, Checks 5024 - 5041.

Brad Milton presented the Public Works Report. Trustee Ely moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Murray and carried unanimously.

The Department of Public Works is back to only one full-time employee. The Board will think about hiring a part-time employee to help with plowing streets and sidewalks and winter projects. Depending on the severity of the winter the Village will have to prioritize projects.

Per an e-mail received from Attorney Armani, there is a NYCOM Advocacy Update dated September 8, 2020 regarding a Moratorium on Termination of Residential Utility Services, deferred payment agreements and written notification to residential customers.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Murray, and carried unanimously, to enter into executive session at 9:11 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

Clerk-Treasurer Caron was invited to stay.

Trustee Ely offered a motion, seconded by Trustee Murray, and carried unanimously, to exit executive session at 9:42 p.m.

No formal action was taken at this time in regards to reinstating former Fire Chief Robert Chuff, as the Board is referring the matter to legal counsel, as Attorney Armani was not present at this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Murray and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee M. Caron  
Clerk-Treasurer

RESOLUTION # 6-2020

Village of Elbridge Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, September 8, 2020

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Elbridge, held at the Village Hall, 210 West Main Street, in said Village of Elbridge, Onondaga County, New York, on the 8th of September, 2020, commencing at 7:00 p.m. the following resolution was offered by Trustee Ely, and seconded by Trustee DeMarco, who moved for its adoption:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Elbridge, has received the new LGS-1 Local Government Retention Schedule

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Elbridge that *Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1)*, issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

- (a) Only those records will be disposed of that are described in *Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1)*, after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein;
- (b) Only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

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: September 8, 2020