

VILLAGE OF ELBRIDGE  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
January 03, 2023

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>T &amp; A</u>	<u>CAP FUNDS</u>
Bal 10/31/2022	384,812.83	121,206.05	19,535.07	9,290.68
November Receipts	<u>991.96</u>	<u>78,039.00</u>	<u>30,760.32</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	385,804.79	199,245.05	50,295.39	9,290.68
November Disb	<u>50,808.94</u>	<u>48,768.61</u>	<u>33,326.77</u>	<u>9,065.96</u>
Bal 11/30/2022	334,995.85	150,476.44	16,968.62	224.72

These balances HAVE been confirmed by bank statements.

**Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

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 Trustee DeMarco, Trustee Ely and Trustee Harris with Mayor DeCola presiding. Clerk-Treasurer Kunz was also present. Trustee Ellingworth was absent.

Taylor Bottar and Carley Parker from Barton & Loguidice were in attendance as well as residents Cindy Sanderson, Ryan Peters, Laurie Downing and Todd Platten (Town of Elbridge Board Trustee) were also in attendance.

Mayor DeCola led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor DeCola recognized Resident Sanderson who expressed concern about the lack of lighting and sidewalks on Valley Drive as well as requesting more speed signs. Mayor DeCola expressed that the Board has discussed with her in the past that there is ample speed signage and the Mayor and Board members have reached out to Troopers as well as Sheriff's department and there has been a notable increase in police visibility throughout the Village. The Board can have a conversation about more lighting but it may be cost prohibitive, along with sidewalks. Ms. Sanderson expressed concern with hunters as well as ATV and dirt bikes in the fields behind Valley Drive. Mayor and Board expressed that is Town property, she can call the police if she has safety concerns but we are not able to regulate Town property. She also expressed concern with others posting property that is not theirs to post. The Village does not own property beyond Mill St. aside from road maintenance, this is not an area that the Village can regulate. She then asked if we have noise ordinances and decibel limits, to which Mayor DeCola expressed that the Village does not. He has spoken with Code Enforcement officer Tanner in the past and received information that it is extremely difficult to enforce and is so rarely an issue within the Village that it is not financially responsible to pursue.

Mayor DeCola recognized Taylor Bottar from Barton & Loguidice who reviewed budget options for Board consideration. Three options as discussed in December meeting (See December 5, 2022 meeting minutes) were reiterated and Board asked numerous clarification questions which were answered by Mr. Bottar. Questions re: contingency included in budget(s), taxes, new users, scope of projects, timeline, inflation and materials used. Board does express concern with the raise in budget but understands that this project needs to go forward, as water is necessary and the Village has put off the project for far too long. Board did express that, during previous meetings, the public has been supportive and understanding of the need for the project at the initial cost projections. Trustee Ely would really prefer that all three Boards meet together to discuss this project going forward, as was requested by the Elbridge Village Board at the last meeting. All Board members agreed and Todd Platten, who serves on the Town of Elbridge Board, agrees that a joint meeting would be beneficial. After long discussion, clarification and concern over the growing budget, the Board agrees with the recommendation by Mr. Bottar and already agreed to by the Town and Village of Jordan Boards, to move forward with the \$30.4 million budget.

Taylor Bottar and Carley Parker left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Ryan Peters presented the Fire Department report. A Motion was offered by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried to accept the December 2022 Fire Department Report.

Trustee DeMarco stepped out at 7:55 p.m.

Mr. Peters updated the Board on current activities and equipment needs for the Fire Department, including Fit tests and physicals being scheduled and completed. Mayor DeCola informed them that he is working on the feasibility of getting the lights on their own electricity/separate from the sign, so that they can be set with timers or turned on and off as needed.

Resident Sanderson left at 8:00 p.m.

## **Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 3, 2023, Con't**

Discussion with Mayor DeCola, Board and Fire Department members regarding mutual aid. Mayor DeCola asked that the FD ensure that all departments are called for mutual aid. Fire Department member Peters agreed and said that they are working on their systems to ensure mutual aid is called and they are wanting as much aid as they can get.

Mayor DeCola reminded Members Peters and Downing that the first budget meetings for the Village will be taking place. Trustee Ely will meet with FD members to discuss budget needs and asked that they gather a list of equipment and materials needed for review.

Town Board Trustee Todd Platten asked that the Fire Department provide a roster with qualifications on a quarterly basis to Doug Blumer, the Town Trustee Fire Department Liaison. Discussion amongst Board, FD and Mr. Platten on logistics of report.

Ryan Peters and Laurie Downing left the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried unanimously to forgo the reading of the minutes from the last organizational and regular meetings on December 5, 2022.

The minutes of the organizational meeting and last regular meeting on December 5, 2022 were accepted on a motion made by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris and carried unanimously.

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

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

There was no Code Enforcement Report.

Trustee Harris presented the Historian's Report who moved for its acceptance, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried unanimously. Trustee Harris wanted to ensure that the Board heard Historian Myrna Sullivan's request for additional funding in the amount of \$100 per year. There was then a Board discussion on the Village 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Trustee Harris will gather a Committee to organize the Celebration, to take place over the summer.

There was no Public Works Report.

Trustee DeMarco returned to the meeting at 8:37

### **Trustee, Mayor and Attorney Reports –**

Trustee Harris – Nothing at this time.

Trustee Ely – Nothing at this time.

Trustee DeMarco – Nothing at this time.

Mayor DeCola- Board discussion re: garbage

A motion was offered by Trustee Ely, seconded by Trustee Harris, and carried unanimously authorizing the Mayor to execute the Annual Software Support Contracts with Williamson Law Book Company.

A motion was offered by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee Ely, and carried unanimously authorizing the Mayor to execute the Onondaga County Health Department Food Permit Renewal Application for both the Village (Seymore Lofft Park) and the Elbridge Volunteer Fire Department.

A motion was offered by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Ely and carried unanimously to enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. The Board entered executive session at 8:45 p.m.

Board exited executive session and resumed the regular meeting at 9 p.m. on a motion by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Harris. No action taken.

After review of the bills by the Board of Trustees, a motion was offered by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee DeMarco, and carried unanimously, to approve payment of January Abstract 8, in the amount of \$32,384.37 for General Fund Vouchers A181-A212, Checks 14981-15012, and \$17,180.37 for Water Fund Vouchers F74-F91, Checks 5470-5487 and in the amount of \$16,046.22 in the Joint Water Systems for Vouchers H47-H48, Checks 247-248.

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Short budget discussion and first budget meeting set for 5:00p.m. on February 6, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee DeMarco, seconded by Trustee Harris and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Kunz  
Clerk-Treasurer