

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAURENS,
February 7, 2023
REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Present: Mayor Sandra Bollinger, Trustees Tom Halstead*, Jonathan Heelein, Starr Liddle, Kelly Pinter, Water Superintendent Dale Bullock, Clerk Erica LaBuz; *arrived late

Absent: Assistant Water Superintendent Jarrett Hotaling

Others: Marie Iannotti, Steve Pinter

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: Trustee Liddle made a motion to approve the January minutes, seconded by Trustee Heelein. Approved 4-0.

Financial Reports:

Trustee Heelein made a motion to approve the December financial reports. Seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 4-0. Trustee Pinter made a motion to approve Abstract 9 for payment. Seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 4-0.

Budget Dates: The public hearing for the budget will be on April 4th at 7:00 PM. The 2023-24 budget will be adopted on May 2nd.

Water Report – Dale Bullock

See report. 513,000 gallons were used. It was a quiet month for water usage. On February 6th there were signs of a water leak. In a 24 hour period, 50,000 gallons of water were used. Rural water will assist in finding the leak. There is a water leak again in the county right of way at 86 Main Street. There is rust residue on the sidewalk. It will need to be dug up in the spring.

Generator Bid

Bids were received from A. Treffeisen and Sons for \$35,400.00, Trimbell Electric for \$45,325.00 and Infinity Electric Services for \$95,000.00. A. Treffeisen is the lowest bidder but did not submit all of the requirements in the specifications. Mayor Bollinger will check references. Trustee Halstead made a motion to table the acceptance of the bids until we receive requirements # 2 and #3 from Treffeisen. Seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 5-0.

Parks and Park Improvements – Trustee Halstead - No report

Youth and Zoning – Trustee Pinter - No report

Street and Sidewalks – Trustee Starr Liddle

We will need specifications for sidewalk replacement if we are going to replace them using ARPA funds.

Mayor’s Report – Sandra Bollinger

Mayor Bollinger contacted the new owner of the Empie house in regards to cleaning up the property. She also spoke to the owner of 25 Craft Street after a complaint was received. The owner has cleaned up the yard. There was also a complaint about a broken window but there is nothing the mayor can do about that. The Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 8th at 11 AM. NYS law states that the new year for a village begins on April 3rd. The new term for the mayor and trustees will begin on that date. The organizational meeting will be on April 4th. There is a concern about village records. A pipe in the heating unit in the village office burst resulting in water on the floor. Old village minutes are stored in the bottom shelf and could have been damaged. Village records can be stored in the school vault.

Village Elections: Elections will be held on March 21st at the Presbyterian Church. Peggy Liddle and Fran Toombs will serve as election inspectors.

New Business: We received a letter from the Into the Streets Program at SUNY Oneonta. The event will be held on Saturday, May 6th. The village will apply to have the students assist with organizing the storage shed at Schlee Park.

Adjournment: Trustee Heelein made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Liddle seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Erica LaBuz
Village Clerk