

MINUTES

September 16, 2024

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by Mayor Guido with the Pledge to the Flag. In attendance were Mayor Louis Guido, Trustee Edward Harvey, Amy Herr Clerk-Treasurer, Melissa Gregory Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Wayne Valentine, DPW Superintendent, and Jill Poulsen, Esq. Trustee Ian Feulner was excused due to illness.

Approval of the August minutes as members received in final written form. It was upon motion of Trustee Harvey, seconded by Mayor Guido, unanimously carried, to accept the minutes as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account		08/31/24 Balance
General		\$279,686.96
Water		\$55,862.97
Total Fund		\$335,549.93
Trust & Agency		\$143.77
Village of Cherry Valley Baseball League		\$501.05
Savings Accounts		08/31/24 Balance
Water System Repair Reserve		\$2,914.45
Cemetery Capital Reserve		\$10,861.08
Unemployment Insurance Reserve		\$2,645.68
Water Debt Service Reserve		\$20,974.79
Parks & Recreation Reserve		\$3,580.97

General Fund Savings		\$25,101.26
	Water	Taxes
Taxes Unpaid 8/1/2024		\$28,471.88
Water Unpaid 8/1/2024	\$18,429.99	
Paid in August	\$7,264.05	\$2,391.62
Adjusted in August	\$45.95	\$0.00
Billed in August	\$58.00	\$0.00
Unpaid 9/1/2024	\$11,177.99	\$26,080.26

It was upon motion of Trustee Harvey, seconded by Mayor Guido, unanimously carried, to accept the report as given.

DPW

DPW Superintendent Valentine reported that of the two quotes provided for the paving and sealing of the parking lots, Suit Kote's was the lowest and so the DPW will be moving forward to continue this project.

It was upon motion of Trustee Harvey, seconded by Mayor Guido, unanimously carried,

RESOLVED to accept Suit Kote as the company to pave and seal the parking lot in the amount of \$1,753.55 for the Genesee Street parking lot and \$2,328.68 for the 56 Main Street parking area.

FALL NOTICES

Notices to be placed in the Fall/Winter 2024-2025 Newsletter are as follows. Leaf pick-up will take place beginning in October. Starting October 1, 2024 - May1, 2025 street parking will be prohibited during overnight hours. A date for flushing the hydrants has not yet been determined, but when it is, the public will be notified. Rather than setting a new date each year the DPW Superintendent will select a certain week and day in October that the flushing will take place in the future. Halloween falls on a Thursday this year, and Trick-or-Treating will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. Unpaid taxes will be sent to the county for reassessment at the beginning of November.

MINI-EXCAVATOR

DPW Superintendent Valentine presented the board with the paperwork notifying the Village of Cherry Valley that we have the NYSDOT approval for purchasing the “E35 25HP R2-Series Bobcat Compact Excavator” with CHIPS and EWR funds. This machine will be purchased through Bobcat Dealer, Eklund Family Farm Machinery, Inc., located in Stamford, New York. The quote received from Eklund Family Farm Machinery was per the New York State Contract – PC69396. It was upon motion of Trustee Harvey, seconded by Mayor Guido, unanimously carried,

RESOLVED to purchase the Bobcat E35 25HP R-2 Series Compact Excavator in the amount of \$46,715.86.

ELECTRIC SUPPLIER

Clerk Herr reported that she received a call on August 29, 2024 from Mark Johnson with AP&G of NY. Mark called to discuss the one account that the village still has listed through them, stating that if we were to bring back all our accounts with them rather than stay with National Grid. They were offering a introductory rate of .0699 cents per kilowatt hour. This would be a variable rate. It was upon motion of Mayor Guido, seconded by Trustee Harvey, unanimously carried, to remain with National Grid as the supplier of electric services on all of the Village electric accounts at this time.

CEMETERY GATE

On Monday September 9, 2024, a driver with the Fort Miller Vault Company who, was entering the cemetery to deliver a vault, collided his vehicle with the cemetery’s gate arch and subsequently with the stone pillars that hold up said arch. As reported by Clerk-Treasurer Herr, we are waiting to hear back from Fort Miller to discuss with them filing a claim on their insurance for the repairs.

8 GENESEE STREET

It was reported by Clerk-Treasurer Herr that the Village of Cherry Valley, as of August 27, 2024, now has ownership of the property at 8 Genesee Street. The plan is for the Village of Cherry Valley to sell the property and will receive guidance from Attorney Poulsen in doing so. It was agreed upon that the starting bid will be \$25,000.00 with an advertisement placed in multiple locations including, but not limited to, The Daily Star and Zillow.

LEAD AND COPPER

DPW Superintendent Valentine reported that he is continuing to get updates to the Lead and Copper report done. Clerk-Treasurer Herr shared an informational document with the board that was received from the NYS Department of Health on May 2, 2024, about the many new requirements for public water systems in New York State.

OTHER BUSINESS

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Gregory and Clerk-Treasurer Herr reported that Mr. Jeff Katz with the Community Foundation of Otsego County has proudly awarded the Village of Cherry Valley with \$4,000.00 to aid in the reduction of costs related to the cemetery restoration project. Final details are being worked out with Mr. Katz and a check will be received shortly.

Upon motion Trustee Harvey of, seconded by, unanimously carried,
RESOLVED to add Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Gregory as a signatory to the Village's banking accounts at NBT and NYCLASS.

A motion was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Mayor Guido, unanimously carried
RESOLVED to designate the Genesee Street parking lot as a "Park and Ride" lot space.

A wastewater project was researched starting approximately 3 years ago to receive a grant from NYSEFC. The report has not been satisfactorily completed to NYSEFC standards and is due September 25, 2024. It does not appear this deadline will be met and so Mayor Guido will write a letter to the NYSEFC about the concerns we have.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

After review by the board, it was upon motion of Trustee Harvey, seconded by Mayor Guido, unanimously carried to make payment on bills as follows:

General Fund	Ch. #'s 16206-16244	\$23,410.32
Water Fund	Ch. #'s 16206-16244	\$5,496.48
Total Fund	Ch. #'s 16206-16244	\$28,906.80
Trust and Agency Fund Total	Ch. #'s 2051-2058 & Auto deductions	\$6,471.28
Agency Fund (Baseball League Fund)	Ch. #	\$0.00

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m. upon motion of Mayor Guido, seconded by Trustee Harvey, unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Herr, Clerk-Treasurer

September 17, 2024