

The regular monthly meeting of the Red Creek Village Board was held on **March 13, 2019** at the Village Hall, 6815 Church Street, Red Creek, NY.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Letson  
Deputy Mayor Schiller  
Trustee Huntington  
Trustee Letson  
Trustee Bettis

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Susan Saylor - Clerk/Treasurer.  
Erika Barnes

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Mayor Letson led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Trustee Bettis, seconded by Trustee Schiller to accept the board minutes of February 13, 2019. Roll call vote as follows: Mayor Letson, aye; Trustee Schiller, aye; Trustee Huntington, aye; Trustee Letson, aye, Trustee Bettis, aye.

**ABSTRACT:**

At this time the clerk presented the board with Abstract # 010. A motion was made by Trustee Huntington, seconded by Trustee Schiller to accept the abstract as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Trustee Schiller, aye; Trustee Huntington, aye; Trustee Letson, aye, Trustee Bettis, aye.

The clerk presented the board with resolution # 4 of 2019 to move monies to short accounts. A motion was made by Trustee Bettis, seconded by Trustee Schiller to accept the resolution as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Mayor Letson, aye; Trustee Schiller, aye; Trustee Huntington, aye; Trustee Letson, aye; Trustee Bettis, aye.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Erika Barnes was present to discuss the pot holes on South Street. She stated that they need to be fixed. She also discussed the Christmas Decorations at the Village sign. The decorations were still there and she has been picking them up. The sign is owned by the Red Creek Protective Fire and they will clean up the decorations. Ms. Barnes also asked about the status of the property at 14013 Canada Street. The

Mayor has a quote for a survey of the property for \$1875.00. Ms. Barnes feels this is too much money to spend on the property and feels like it is a waste of taxpayer money. Mayor Letson explained that the amount was for all of Blue Bell Drive to be surveyed as well. Ms. Barnes stated that her offer for the property still stands. She also stated that the property needs to be maintained as some of the fill was put on her property and she is not happy with that.

#### **SEWER GRANT:**

##### **Canada Street-**

The pre construction meeting for Canada Street will be held on March 19, 2019 at 9:30 am and the board is invited to attend.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Water Rules and Regulations - the Mayor will meet with Trustee Schiller after the pre-construction meeting to work on this. All board members are welcome to attend.

#### **MAYOR REPORT:**

The mayor has met with Wayne County Water and Sewer Authority to discuss the water leak at the Cornerstone Hotel. WCWSA wants to run a new line under Main Street and to back of buildings. WCWSA would also like to hand over more of the day to day operations to the Village. We are at two years with them and it was to be a short term agreement.

The mayor had presented the board with the Employee Handbook updates. She has requested that everyone look at the document and be prepared to discuss it at the budget workshop on March 27, 2019.

There was an estimate for building a storage room at village hall. The cost to build the room and put a door on the hallway is \$715.18 for materials only. Trustee Letson would be willing to work on the room and the DPW workers can also help. There was discussion regarding the purpose of the added storage room. The clerk is looking for a records storage room. The room to be used as a records storage room is currently occupied with toys from the We Care About Kids program. The new storage room will house the toys and the clerk would use the current room for records storage. A motion was made by Trustee Huntington, seconded by Trustee Bettis to allow the creation of a storage room. Roll call vote as follows: Mayor Letson, aye; Trustee Schiller, aye; Trustee Huntington, aye; Trustee Letson, aye; Trustee Bettis, aye.

**CLERK REPORT:**

The clerk asked if anyone would be able to attend the Village Officials meeting to be held in Clyde on March 20th. Mayor Letson and Trustee Letson will be attending.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

FIRE COMMISSIONER : The CORAVAC heating system at the Fire Hall needs to be repaired. There is possibly problems with the pipe and fittings. Trustee Letson will be getting an estimate for repairs. The new brush truck is in.

WATER COMMISSIONER: The mayor has spoken with Dave Doyle from MRB regarding a pre-planning grant for the water system. The mayor will be contacting Kathy Dear to find out how many more surveys are needed for Wolcott Street Sewer Project. The area may need to be smaller.

SEWER COMMISSIONER: Nothing to report.

HIGHWAY/SIDEWALKS COMMISSIONER: Pot holes need to be filled.

TREES AND PARKS COMMISSIONER: Working on Veterans Memorial Park this Spring with Hank Allen.

SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMISSIONERS: The Mayor was doing inspections at Robinson property with Code Enforcement.

AGING/YOUTH AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS: Nothing to report .

STREET LIGHTS: There was discussion regarding the changeover to LED street lights. We are currently being charged a large amount for the poles. RG&E needs to take back the current lights during the changeover due to hazardous materials. It will take about 2-3 days for the changeover to be completed.

DAM: Mayor Letson is working on grants for the Dam. We have estimates from tree trimmers to trim the trees at the dam.

**DPW:**

- ❖ Nothing to report at this time.

## **VILLAGE HISTORIAN:**

Nothing to report at this time.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

The Code Enforcement Officer was not present but left the following report:

November/December 2018 report

Violations - 4

Fire Re-inspections - 2

Appearance Tickets - 0

Certificates of occupancy -0

Violations re-inspections - 5

Fire Inspections - 8

- Following up on permits, Church Street, Main Street, Canada Street
- Starting landlord/tenant inspections.
- Working on landlord/tenant law who have not responded
- Attended NYS BOC training in Syracuse (2 hours)
- Doing fire inspections in the village
- Did drive around inspection of village, noted several violations and following up on them.
- Attending Annual Codes training in Syracuse in April
- Received NFPA Codes - Thank you
- Condemned structure at 13974 Water Street after complaint from a tenant. Electrical issues, 15-20 drums in basement containing unknown product, notified DEC. Drums are removed, electrical issues are fixed and inspection done/stamp received. Piping issues are repaired. I removed the condemned status as of noon today (03/13/2109) on two empty apartments, they are not to be rented until minor violations are fixed and inspected.
- The new codes books may not happen as they are going to send electronic versions instead.

## **Safety Officer Report**

- With all the recent winds, while walking under trees, look for broken branches or limbs that may fall, these are known as widow makers. Recently a tree fell on a fire chief's vehicle, just missing firefighters cutting up a tree that had already fallen. A safety officer yelled just as the tree started coming down. (NEAR MISS)

**PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER:**

No Health Officer at this time

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:**

Nothing to report.

**LIBRARY:**

Nothing to report at this time.

**ROTARY:**

Nothing to report.

**HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION:**

Nothing to report

**AMERICAN LEGION:**

Nothing to report.

**LIONS CLUB:**

Nothing to report.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was discussion about the 2005 Ford F350 truck. The box is bad, and needs to be lifted a bit. We are currently waiting for plates, and the 4wd is not working. Jim hasn't have time to look it over yet. We will get a update on the new Ram truck by April 1.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Trustee Huntington, seconded by Mayor Letson to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote as follows: Mayor Letson, aye; Trustee Schiller, aye; Trustee Huntington, aye; Trustee Letson, aye; Trustee Bettis, aye.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.