

**VILLAGE OF MANLIUS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 6, 2022 Regular Meeting**

PRESENT: Mayor Whorrall, Trustee Abdo-Rott, Trustee Chapman, Trustee Pilewski

ABSENT: Trustee McGrew

OTHERS: Lisa Baker, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer; Brad Hunt, Village Attorney; Chris Sherwood, DPW Superintendent; Mike Decker, Codes Enforcement Officer; Jansen Casscles, Fire Chief; Christine Roet, Recreation Director; Rocco Matthew Cambareri and Don Gates

Mayor Whorrall opened the meeting at 7:03pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor welcomed everyone to the board meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Whorrall opened the Public Forum.

Matt Camberari that resides at 4822 Pembroke Dr. commended the Village for keeping the playground area open during the pandemic for children to play. He loves the area so much that he also dedicated a table in honor of his father. Camberari expressed his concerns with no availability to a bathroom on weekends and after 5 pm when the Village Centre is closed. He would like to make a request for a porta pod to be placed in the area by the playground. His kids are also attending Soccer Shots on the weekends and there are no bathrooms available for the kids. Mayor Whorrall understood his request, however, was concerned of the vandalism that may occur with a porta pod and where it would be a good location. He would like to explore other options. We may be able to open the bathrooms by the soccer field. They will look into this more. Camberari was very appreciative of this.

COMMUNICATIONS

Manlius Volunteer Fire Company- Mayor Whorrall addressed a letter from the Manlius Volunteer Fire Company. This is to formally notify you that at its regular meeting on August 11, 2022, the Manlius Volunteer Fire Company voted for the following people in regards to membership:

Voted to Probationary Membership:

Jesus Vasquez Fire

Resigned from Membership:

Dylan Gray
Randy McClintock
Mike Okrent
Kyle Tran

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Chapman, the membership changes submitted by Secretary Fury were approved. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

AGREEMENTS

Separation payout \$2,752.86 for Ethan Duprey.

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the Separation payout \$2,752.86 for Duprey. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Retirement separation payout \$23,968.80 for Christopher Halliday.

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve the Retirement separation payout \$23,968.80 for Halliday. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Retirement payment for Health Insurance for Halliday.

Motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the Retirement payment for Health insurance on Halliday. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

DEPARTMENT REQUISTIONS

Clerk

- NYCOM Fall Training Training, hotel, meals, mileage Cost: \$1,139.00

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the NYCOM Fall Training requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Trustee Chapman

- NYCOM FALL Training Training and meals Cost: \$602.00

Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott seconded by Trustee Pilewski to approve the NYCOM Fall Training requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Mayor

- NYCOM Fall Training Training, hotel, meals, mileage Cost: \$2,159.48

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve the NYCOM Fall Training requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

- DPW NYCOM Fall Training Training, hotel, meals, mileage Cost: \$1,354.86

- DPW NYCOM Fall Training (Lewis) Training, hotel, meals, mileage Cost: \$1,354.86

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the NYCOM Fall Training requestion as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

DPW

- Big 4 Tire Sales Drive Tires Cost: \$2,838.74

Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott, seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve the drive tires requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

- EJ Electric Electric to new Cold Storage Building. Cost: \$13,800.00

Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott, seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve the Electrical requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

- The Garam Group Computer and Phone for office Cost: \$1,079.21

Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott, seconded by Trustee Pilewski to approve the Computer and Phone requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

- S & W Services Inc Ground Storage Tank Cost: \$47,710.00

Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott, seconded by Trustee Pilewski to approve the Storage Tank requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

- Guthrie Heli-Arc, Inc Emergency Repair-Garbage Truck Cost: \$2,228.36
- Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott, seconded by Trustee Pilewski to approve the Garbage Truck repair requisition as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0**

MINUTES

- August 9, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the August 9, 2022 minutes, as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 3-0**

ABSTRACT

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS
August 9, 2022

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees desires to audit and pay the claims asserted against it; and

WHEREAS, payment of certain claims in advance of the audit of claims has been approved by the Village Board annually at the Organizational Meeting, as required by law; and

WHEREAS it is required that all such claims shall be presented at the next Regular Meeting for audit, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has been presented with the following abstracts for approval and payment;

General Fund	Abstract 003	\$312,343.74	(V737-831)
Trust & Agency	Abstract 349	\$ 1,723.50	(V94)
Main Street Revitalization	Abstract 418	\$ 4,967.20	(V15)

and

July Payroll Expenses for Payroll #14 & #15 (attached) \$232,460.23

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Manlius approve the payment of claims **totaling \$551,494.67** by the Village Treasurer as outlined above.

- Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve the abstract and payroll MOTION CARRIED 3-0**

Trustee Pilewski asked that we look at what the temperature is being set at throughout the building with other departments since the electric bill is 46% higher than last year.

Trustee Pilewski will also be making a phone call to Charter Communications for he feels we are paying more than we should be.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

RECREATION- Director Christine Roet was present for the meeting. She addressed upcoming events.

- Fishing Derby, September 17th
- Wicked Woods, October 22nd
- Trunk or Treat, October 29th
- Ski and Skate sale, November 19th
- Working on Summer playground report, which was a success.
- Still working on long- and short-term ideas to improve the parks.

DPW- Superintendent Chris Sherwood was present for the meeting. No questions asked. Mayor thanked all for how great the park looks.

FIRE/EMS- Chief Casscles was present for the meeting.

- Request to convert part-time FF/EMT Matthew Sherman to full-time with an annual salary of \$55,269.40 effective September 9, 2022. Casscles wants to hire the right people. Whorrall wanted to confirm how the salary was determined. Casscles explained it is based on civil service time and rank. The benefit is bringing in qualified personnel verses paying for training. Chapman wants to make sure this is consistent with all hiring.

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Abdo-Rott to approve FF/EMT Matthew Sherman to full time status. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

CODES – Codes Officer Mike Decker was present for the meeting.

- Enclosed a full report, Trustees were impressed with the detail.

CLERKS –

- NYS Health Care & Mental Hygiene Worker Bonus Employer Attestation- this is for EMS employees only

Motion by Trustee Pilewski seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the submission of the NYS Health Care bonus program. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

- Village Taxes- 2 months left to collect.
- BOCES Agreement – No updates
- Ambulance Bill- Waive fee due to injury to a Minoa Firefighter during a fire training in Manlius.

Motion by Trustee Abdo-Rott, seconded by Trustee Chapman to waive the ambulance fee. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

MAYORS REPORT –

- Community developments being completed by the end of the year.
- NY Forward – Public session on September 19th at 6pm. Grant writers will be presenting our ideas to the public. NY Forward is for small village communities that are offering a 2.5 to 4.5-million-dollar grant. Part of the grant is for businesses, and it only encompasses a certain amount of the village. This will include, the swan pond, businesses and Mill Run Park. The Mayor would like board approval for \$6500.00 to approve MRB to write the grant.

Motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Pilewski to approve MRB to write the grant. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Chapman commented on the DRI Grant. It is very involved and a great opportunity same as the NY Forward Grant. We need to do all we can to make this happen. He feels very passionate to be able to have this opportunity to receive this grant for the village. He feels very strongly on being able to have the power lines buried.

- 2nd round of ARPA money.
- EV Charging Stations- Applying for funds and have received 2 quotes. Both estimates were around \$70,000.00. The Mayor will meet with Amanda to review. We are hoping that with National Grid and the ZEV Programs we will be able to lower the cost. The EV Charging Stations will be located in the back of the building. They will be available with a charge.

- FEMA- Still gathering information for them and meeting every week. We are getting closer to finalizing the project. Army Core Engineers called, and they plan on organizing a meeting with all constituents to try and work together to help prevent future flooding.
- MRB has been in touch with all our legislators to support our grants.
- Mayor's Association Meeting is on September 21st at 6pm in Liverpool.

TRUSTEES REPORTS

Trustee Chapman:

- Recreation Playground Program was a success.
- Park short- and long-term ideas- The plan is to fit some ideas into our grants.
- Pod Cast – Planning for the next podcast with the Chamber of Commerce
- Codes Enforcement Officer – Discussion on making it a F/T position. Trustee Chapman would like to make a motion to Hire Mike Decker as a F/T Codes Enforcement Officer at \$68,500.00 per year, including 4 weeks' vacation and health insurance.

Motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to approve the F/T Codes Enforcement Officer position as submitted. **MOTION CARRIED 3-0**

Trustee Abdo-Rott:

- No new business

Trustee Pilewski:

- Police Department- 3 new officers
- Fire Department- Meeting regularly with the Chief.

Attorney Hunt:

- Attorney Hunt is continuing to negotiate the terms of the cell tower lease with Dish Wireless.
- He is working with Centerfield regarding completion and approval of the road in section 2 of the subdivision.
- In addition, he is working with Code Enforcement Officer Mike Decker on several possible enforcement actions regarding code violations.

Mayor Whorral asked Decker the status with the house on North Street that has a dumpster outside. This has been there for several years. Decker has been in touch with them. When he interacted with the tenants, the house is in probate and father has passed away. Son is now living there. They are in arrears with their taxes and Decker feels they may be squatting.

Chapman commented that he is excited for the Buzzy's Reunion and wanted to make sure to promote it. He feels this is a great event for the community. This event is being held September 24 – 25, 2022.

ADJOURN

Mayor Whorral motion to adjourn to executive session at 7:58pm.

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Chapman to move to executive session at 7:58pm
MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Mayor Whorrall motion to adjourn the executive session at 8:44 pm.

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to adjourn the executive session at 8:44pm.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Mayor Whorrall motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Motion by Trustee Pilewski, seconded by Trustee Abdo-Rott to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Respectfully Submitted by,

Lisa Baker
Village Clerk