

VILLAGE OF LYNDONVILLE
TRUSTEES MINUTES
Informational Meeting for Australian Ballot Voting
March 15, 2021
VIA ZOOM
5:30 PM

Trustees

Susan Mills
Heather Bollman (by Phone)
Doug Conly
Sarah Whittemore
Chris Hunter

Press

Public Officials

Justin Smith
Bill Humphrey

Public

Jen Mitchell
Dave Keenan
Ellen Hinman
Clint Brake

1. Doug Conly called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM and welcomed everyone in attendance for the informational meeting on the Australian Ballot items for the Village Meeting which will be voted on Tuesday, March 16th, 2021 from 1:00 PM until 7:00PM.

Doug Conly made a presentation to those in attendance using Power Point (slides attached), with the assistance of Sarah Whittemore. Doug Conly explained how the meeting would operate including that this was like a regular Trustees' meeting and there is not a Moderator for an Informational Meeting. After going over the ground rules, Mr. Conly spoke about the projects which were completed in 2020 including: the water transmission line upgrade, some skim coat paving on the Williams, South East, and Grove Streets, and a new stretch of ADA compliant sidewalk on Center Street. Next, Mr. Conly spoke about the revenues and expenses for the 2021 budget. Revenues for 2021 are anticipated to be down from 2020 largely due to the fact that we are planning on less reimbursable time from the water department, we are not bringing in any revenue from savings for equipment purchases, and we have no revenues from loan proceeds to purchase new equipment. Overall, 2021 revenues are down \$122,808 from 2020. Likewise, budgeted expenses are also down from 2020. The major reasons for the decreases in expenditures are that there will be no new equipment purchases, the Village's share of the police contract is reduced, and we were able to reduce some of our materials expenses in the highway department. Overall, 2021 expenses are down \$119,859 from 2020. As a result of these changes, the Village tax rate will increase by \$.005.

Mr. Conly next read the 4 Articles on the Australian Ballot.

Mr. Conly asked if there were any questions regarding the Articles on the Australian Ballot. The public did not have any questions for the Board.

Mr. Smith noted that there were four people present who were likely here to speak about coin drops. Dave Keenan spoke on behalf of Tiger Company, Jen Mitchell spoke on behalf of Lyndon Youth Baseball Softball, Clint Brake spoke on behalf of the Food Shelf and Ecumenical Council, and Ellen Hinman spoke on behalf of the Caledonia County Special Olympics. All four spoke regarding the challenges and hardships Covid-19 has brought on their organizations.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM.