

VILLAGE OF LYNDONVILLE
TRUSTEES MINUTES
December 17th, 2018
5:30 PM

Trustees

Heather Bollman
Chris Hunter
Susan Mills
Doug Conly
Karen Fortier

Press

Public

Steve Gray
Justin Smith
Sue Teske
Mark Dwyer
Margrethe Menten
Adrienne D'Olimpio
Carrie Tomcyk
Barrett Nichols
Steve Feltus
Cathy Boykin

1. Chris Hunter called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM for a joint meeting with Town of Lyndon Selectboard.
2. Adjustments to the Agenda: No Additions.
3. Minutes: Susan Mills made a motion to approve the 11-19-2018 minutes. Douglas Conly seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.
4. Orders: The Board signed the orders for weeks 51-52, 1-3.
5. Recreation Committee Presentation: Adrienne D'Olimpio presented a proposal to the Trustees for a dedicated Lyndon Area Recreation and Arts Department to be added as a town position. (A copy of the proposal is on file with the minutes at the Town & Village Clerk's Office.) Ms. D'Olimpio stated that the Recreation Committee was holding an upcoming forum on January 3rd, 2019 at the Lyndon Outing Club to address concerns from the Selectboard that many citizens knew nothing about this proposed position or its cost and their concern that the groups listed in the proposal had not been approached to see if they were interested in having this position. At the previous Selectboard meeting (12-10-2018) there had been concern that there may not be a willingness for some of the groups to participate and pay a potential fee to have their registrations run through a recreation director. The Selectboard wanted to see that there was full support from the organizations listed. Ms. D'Olimpio stated the reason they had come before both Boards was to receive an endorsement from both Boards first. Adrienne stated "they do not want other organizations to feel threatened, but supported". Ms. D'Olimpio said that the goal is to get the position established (started) and the Rec Director and programs would become self-sustaining through grants and programming fees. Heather Bollman asked how long before the position and programs are paid for without being a part of the Village and Town Budget? Ms. D'Olimpio stated that she didn't have an answer for that. Ms. Margrethe Menten stated that she felt the area really needed something like this as when she moved here 10 years ago she didn't know where to turn to find out information about recreation opportunities. Heather Bollman stated that she felt like this was "a lot" for just one person she asked how many of the communities have had to add additional staff? Ms. Bollman again wondered how long it takes to become self-sustaining. Carrie Tomcyk stated that Newport just added a Recreation Director and it is profitable after one year. The Board stated they felt the January 3rd meeting was a good idea and would like to see public hearings held to obtain community input, as well as the other organization's input and support. Ms. D'Olimpio closed by asking the Trustees how they felt about the Recreation Director proposal? Several of the members stated they thought it

is a good idea in theory, but all the members added that finances and fiduciary responsibility ultimately drive the budget, and what can fit in a budget.

6. Access Permit: Rural Edge requested a new access for their Olivia Place Project on Main Street. Justin Smith stated that the Public Works Supervisor requested a couple of conditions on the access permit. Where the new access crosses the sidewalk it was requested that the sidewalk be required to be enforced with rebar 2' on center. The second request was that the sidewalk at the old access location be torn out and replaced due to its current condition. Chris Hunter made a motion to approve the access permit with the conditions as stated. Heather Bollman seconded and the motion carried 5-0.
7. Stormwater Line Relocation: Justin Smith also went over a second request by Rural Edge regarding the relocation of the Village's Stormwater line on their property in order to allow for the proposed apartment building to be located as proposed on the site plan. The Public Works Supervisor requested some conditions, but had no issue with the proposed relocation. Rural Edge was proposing to add a swale which will connect to the Village's infrastructure. The Public Works Supervisor requested a flap valve be added so that water from the ditch cannot back flow into our system in high water events. In addition the swale prevents the Town from reaching one of its sewer manhole cleanouts, so a culvert needs to be added, and driveway needs to be installed over the swale so that the Vacon truck can access the sewer manhole to complete maintenance on the sewer line. Susan Mills made a motion to approve the request for the stormwater line relocation with the two conditions which were discussed. All work will be paid for by Rural Edge. Doug Conly seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.
8. Other: Chris Hunter informed the board that he had attended VIS' most recent meeting and he had some concerns regarding their re-structuring plans.

Having no other business the meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM.