VILLAGE OF LYNDONVILLE TRUSTEES MEETING

December 19, 2016

6:00 PM

<u>Trustees</u> Heather Bollman Doug Conly Ron Aiken, Chair Press Amy Nixon Public Justin Smith Bill Humphrey Steve Gray Clay Bailey

- 1. Ron Aiken called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.
- 2. <u>Minutes:</u> Heather Bollman made a motion to approve the December 5, 2016 minutes. Doug Conly seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.
- 3. Signing of the Orders: The members signed the orders for weeks 50-51.
- 4. Vacant/Abandoned Properties:

Justin Smith stated that he had received some calls regarding abandoned or unkempt properties in the Village. He noted he had recently received calls regarding the Yellow house located at the south end of Charles Street on the corner of Charles Street and Eastern Avenue. The neighbor to the north and the neighbor across the street on the south side of Eastern Avenue have each called asking what can be done. Mr. Smith said that the neighbors have commented that animals have started to take up residence in the house and they were becoming a nuisance. Doug Conly noted there are several broken windows in the building and that he felt there was a safety issue for children in particular. The Trustees requested that Justin Smith ask the Zoning Administrator to contact the owner using the abandonment section in the by-laws to determine what the plans are for the structure as it has been uninhabited for well beyond the 12 months provided for in the zoning by-laws.

- 5. <u>Dam Inspections:</u> Justin Smith mentioned that Joe Dauphin and several individuals from The Agency of Transportation would be meeting to discuss options for the dams located at three reservoirs owned by the Village of Lyndonville. He added that he would likely have more detailed information at the next meeting. Mr. Smith said that a downstream property owner had expressed some concerns so Joe Dauphin requested a meeting. The meeting will help determine potential impacts to upstream wetlands, potential benefits to fisheries' habitat, and also potential funding sources for help in removing the structures.
- 6. <u>Part-time Winter Hire Ad:</u> Mr. Smith made the Board aware that an ad had been run in the newspaper for part time winter plowing help. Mr. Smith said there is no deadline to fill the position it was advertised as an "until filled" position. Mr. Smith stated he already had a couple of interested applicants.
- 7. <u>Notice of Vacancy:</u> Mr. Smith informed the Trustees that an advertisement/notice had been run in the newspaper to make the public aware of the opening on the Board of Trustees. Mr. Smith handed the Board a letter of interest from Susan Mills. Mr. Smith continued by adding that she was the only individual at this point who has expressed an interest in serving on the Board. The Trustees will wait

until the next meeting to see if there is any other interest before moving forward with any plans to fill the vacant position.

8. <u>LED:</u> The meeting was turned over to LED at 6:24 PM.