

October 8, 2024

A regular meeting of the Village Board began at 5:30 p.m. in the Village Office. Present were Deputy Mayor Jeffery Kelley, Trustees: Shawn Prievo and Todd Scoville. Also, present were Superintendent of Public Works John Heller, Village Clerk Lynnette Carver, Codes Enforcement Officer DeBaise, Chief of Police Redden, NOCCOG representative John Healt, Aaron Browka, Ken Light, Kevin Brady, Mark Snow, and Queen Central News Publisher Doug Cleveland.

A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to approve the minutes from the prior meetings. The motion was seconded by Trustee Scoville and carried unanimously.

Public Comment was held.

NOCCOG representative John Healt reviewed the NOCCOG monthly newsletter with the Board, highlights included:

- ❖ NOCCOG Annual Fall Dinner Meeting will be October 24th.
- ❖ SUNY Potsdam Local Government Conference will be held October 15th.
- ❖ Restore New York grant, round #9 is open.
- ❖ Community Agritourism Webinar will be held Oct. 9th.
- ❖ DEC survey is open.

All information is available on the NOCCOG website.

Chief Redden reviewed the police report with the Board. It is kept on file at the Police Dept.

A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to accept with regret the resignation of Frederick G. Robenski Jr. Trustee Scoville seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to accept with regret the resignation of Marden Landry. Trustee Scoville seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Discussion was held concerning the recovery of the forest park lawn mower and the increased presence of homeless individuals in the Village of Camden.

The Codes Enforcement Officer Vincent DeBaise reviewed his report with the Village Board.

Superintendent Heller reviewed his report with the Board. It is available upon request.

Notables:

- ❖ With the new equipment, leaf pick-up is going well.
- ❖ Final walk through for the DPW is being scheduled.

Three quotes for a plow to be used on the F450 were presented. Trustee Scoville made the motion to approve the purchase from Davis Equipment Center for the plow in the amount of \$9,000.00. This expenditure is part of DPW content replacement. Trustee Prievo seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

A quote with state contract pricing was presented for the forest park lawn mower from Deere & Co. Deputy Mayor Kelley made the motion to purchase the replacement (\$3,829.18). The Village has received insurance reimbursement for the theft. Trustee Scoville seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Trustee Scoville made the motion to approve the purchase of a tool which aids in water shut off. This tool is sold by Pollard water for \$3,838.00. Multiple quotes were unable to be presented as this is a first of its kind, newly developed, tool. This tool will improve safety for DPW members. Trustee Prievo seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Discussion was held concerning recent breakdowns of the generator at the Fire dept. Trustee Prievo made the motion to approve the service work on fire dept. generator by DM

Shaver for \$1,191.94. This is additional work not covered under the Village Contract, made August 2024, for generator maintenance. Trustee Scoville seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Trustee Scoville made the motion to approve the purchase of a camera which inspects pipes. This tool is sold by Eastcom for \$7895.00. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Clerks report included:

Carver will be sending the letter to Oneida County to certify the positions up for the March reelection in 2025.

Carver informed the Village Board she was aware of a company (Municipal Electric & Gas Alliance) which will conduct a free review of our National Grid charges. This is a not-for-profit business. It would be advisable to look into this in April.

Carver also informed the Village Board of U Audit; this company would audit the Village and recover overpayments made in Cable franchise bill and utility bills.

The Clerk informed the Village Board: The office will be closed on October 24th for the North Country Clerks meeting.

The Clerk informed the Board that the annual Harassment/discrimination and Workplace Violence training has been assigned to each employee and Board member on NEOGOV/NYMIR.

Old Business: none discussed.

New Business:

Deputy Mayor Kelley proposed the development of a property tax cap override law. Kelley made the motion to hold a public hearing for proposed Local Law #1 of 2025, titled "Property Tax Cap Override" on November 12th at 5:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prieto and was carried unanimously.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Scoville to rescind the following motion made on Set. 10th at the regular meeting:

Three companies were approached to request a quote for the Village Office roof. Only one company returned a quote. The quote was for labor only. To prevent further water damage to the building, Trustee Prieto made the motion to approve the quote from B & B to repair the roof for \$3,750 (labor only). The village will buy the materials. Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Deputy Mayor seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Discussion was held concerning the current leaks in the Office roof/drain/and basement.

Second public comment was held.

At 7:05 p.m. Trustee Prieto made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kelley and carried unanimously.

At 7:32 p.m. Trustee Scoville made the motion to adjourn from executive session and reconvene to regular board meeting already in session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prieto and carried unanimously.

Clerk Carver presented the 1st payroll register of October for the Board's review. A motion was made by Trustee Scoville to execute approval of the submitted register. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kelley and carried unanimously.

A copy of the Treasurer's report and Capital project budget to actual report were submitted for the Board's review and approval. A motion was made by Trustee Kelley to approve the report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prieto and carried unanimously.

The September bank reconciliations were submitted for the Board's review and execution. A motion was made by Trustee Scoville to approve the statements as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prieto and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee Prieto to pay all audited bills on Abstract #5 in the amount of \$248,343.93; inclusive of capital project payments totaling \$217,798.97. The motion was seconded by Trustee Scoville and carried unanimously.

Resolution #19 of 2024/25

Titled: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE SUM OF \$57,000.00 FROM THE VILLAGE OF CAMDEN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS POLICE EQUIPMENT;

WHEREAS, the Village has approved the purchase of a police vehicle on May 14th 2023.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, as follows:

Sec. 1. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to issue payment to Joe Cecconi's Chrysler Complex for the specific purpose of purchasing 2024 Durango Pursuit (V6) from Capital Reserve Police Equipment fund.

Sec. 2. The Resolution, is adopted subject to a permissive referendum, in accordance with Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law and Article 9 of the Village Law.

Sec. 3. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to give notice of this Resolution and the fact that the same was adopted subject to a permissive referendum; by posting and publication as is required by Section 9-900 of the Village Law.

Deputy Mayor Kelley made the motion to adopt resolution #19. Trustee Scoville seconded the motion.

Ayes- Prieto, Scoville, Kelley Nays- None Absents-Oatman, LaPlante

As there was no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. was made by Trustee Scoville. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prieto and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted
Lynnette Carver
Village Clerk