

# Village of Wampsville

## Regular Meeting

**August 4, 2020**

The meeting of the Village of Wampsville Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Village Hall, located at 118 North Court St, Wampsville, NY.

Present: Mayor Gerald Seymour Jr., Trustees Douglas Bailey, Ellen Bowe, Dawn Collins, Jacob Hatch, Chief Chris Colvin, Heather Denby

Others in Attendance: Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Wratten, Justin Szratter, Lori Seymour

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Public Hearing that was to be held for August 4, 2020 to make a change to the property maintenance notice allowing for single service of violating 60-3a has been tabled until a public meeting is set for new codes later in the year.

### Approval of the Minutes

**Res. #38-2020:** Motion to approve last meeting minutes for the meeting on July 7, 2020. Motion by Trustee Bowe and seconded by Trustee Bailey.

**Discussion:** None

**Record of the vote:** All in favor: motion carried

**Attorney's Business:** Attorney Denby has received the new codes for review and will make sure they go with the current laws so they can be submitted for approval. Also has for review Codes Officer Josh Stagnitti request to change to property maintenance notice that would allow for single service of violating 60-3a. Mayor Seymour advised the verbiage requesting to use is the same as the town of Lennox verbiage for like code.

**Planning Board:** Regarding new/updated Village codes and comprehensive plan, Lori Seymour explained usually the comprehensive plan is done first before changes to the codes however the board decided to move forward with the codes change approval. Seymour stated this has been a work in progress for several years and due to Covid the questionnaire for the residents has been held up so the board decided to move forward with getting the new codes approved first. A copy with all the changes has been submitted to Attorney Denby and the Planning Board plans on submitting to the Village Board in September for review and later vote in October. Regarding the Comprehensive Plan Lori Seymour sent an email to Mr. Lutter and has not heard back as of yet. The questionnaire for residents was in draft form prior to Covid and Mr. Lutter was to fix with the plan to approve for mailing out to residents. Suggested to mail with the fall news letter to all residents so can take next steps to move forward with the Village Comprehensive Plan.

Introduction of Justin Szratter as new appointee to the Planning Board

**Res. #39-2020:** Motion to approve appointment Justin Szratter to Planning Board for the Village of Wampsville by Trustee Collins and seconded by Trustee Bowe.

Discussion: None

**Recorded of the Vote:** All in favor, motion carried

### Old Business:

Dormitory grant: Mayor Seymour stated he has talked to engineers and asked to at least get the plans for the renovation complete although grants have been frozen by the state. This way the plans will be complete when we can move forward.

Spectrum: Mayor Seymour spoke to Spectrum about the bill and pricing. At this time will cancel the TV in the Fire Department to save money per month. When someone gets back to him with an offer he will pass the information on to the board.

**Executive Session:** Mayor Seymour requests a motion to move into executive session. Motion by Trustee Collins and seconded by Trustee Bowe. Board went into executive session at 6:43pm.

Mayor Seymour asked for motion to move out of executive session. Motion by Trustee Collins and by Trustee Bailey. Board came out of executive session at 6:52pm.

**Recorded of the Vote:** All in favor, motion carried

**Clerks Report:** Clerk Wratten advised Rosanne Warner suggested a new back up drive be purchased for electronic records advising the storage currently have is not adequate or secure.

**Res. #40-2020:** Motion to request Rosanne Warner to suggest appropriate computer back up and to purchase back up drive by Trustee Collins and seconded by Trustee Bailey.

**Discussion:** Mayor Seymour will send note and cost of purchase to board once a backup drive is found.

**Recorded of Vote:** All in favor; motion carried.

**Treasurer's reports:** presented financial reports to board

**Res. #41-2020:** Motion to approve financial reports by and to pay bills by Trustee Bowe and seconded by Trustee Collins.

**Discussion:** Trustee Collins discussed late fees on credit card bill and paying bills prior to meeting so late fees are not incurred.

**Recorded of the Vote:** All in favor, motion carried.

**Playground up date:** Lori Seymour advised poison ivy was removed and spayed area and now thanks to Madison County Maintenance Department it looks amazing. Edging was placed, mulch added and planed grass really they did a nice job. The park is open and there are signs stating this with hand sanitizer there. The previously talked about slide was too much to ship and the musical chimes on the edge discussed were also outside of the budget. A seat has been purchased for the ADA picnic table and a bumble bee toddler toy has been purchased to add to the park. Seymour stated it would be nice to form a committee for flowers and maybe plans for a library or other items that do not cost too much. Would like to see more pavers sold in the future and maybe a celebration planned next summer. A letter has been drafted and set to Madison County Maintenance by the Mayor to thank them for all the hard work done.

#### **Fire Department:**

Chief Colvin advised they have gotten back into more of a normal training schedule to try to make up lost time due to Covid. Colvin applied for a DEC grant to replaced 1 ¾" line that has failed hose testing. The grant has been approved. The grant is a 50/50 grant so he will be placing an order soon for the hose. Repairs have been done to 321 and 324 valve replacements did those himself and Monte as quoted over \$3000 and they did both saving money at \$600. The Rescue truck is on limited use permanently due to condition. Advised will need a couple weeks notice when the new truck is coming to set up for the work to be done. This truck will be lettered and stripped same as 321 to show the same pattern.

Also is waiting to hear from Churchville for yearly pump test, they are attempting to corrdinate with Canastota and Sylvan Beach to get all done in one day down in the canal at the beach to save money. There is no firm date but hoping by the end of August. Request for credit card as has not gotten one with his name after the switch of chief from Monte to himself. Mayor Seymour advised he will call to get a card for Chief Colvin.

**Town of Lenox Concerns:** None

**Infrastructure:** Have heard the state freezing grants includes chips so have not looked into work on Daniels drive at this time.

**Resident's Comments:** Resident Justin Szratter owns the last house on Elm Street in the Village of Wampsville and is concerned with the uptick in traffic due to the green house and the increase in traffic noting the number of tractor trailers on the street. Resident stated the speed limit sign for 30 miles per hour is in front of his home and suggest it would be better moved closer to the green house suggesting 6 houses or even further down the road towards the green house. Mayor Seymour advised it is a county road but would speak with Oneida Mayor to see if she is

interested in working together to do something. Szratter also stated it would be nice to have a sidewalk with the increase in traffic if you want to walk it is on the side of the road as there is no sidewalk there.

**Trustee comments:** Trustee Bowe would like to thank Dick Stokes for mowing the patch of lawn near the Fire Park. Also is concerned with the Flags touching the ground and snapped pole at the corner of Route 5 where work is being done. Bowe stated if nothing comes back from the letter Isaac Smith regarding the speed limit change request she will reach out to Rachel Mae. Trustee Bowe also enquired about codes inspections regarding single family rentals. Mayor Seymour and Trust Hatch advised codes won't go into a house for no reason.

**Mayor Business:** received email from Josh Statagnitti sent letter to 103 Genesee for lawn and has letter to 122 Genesee and they have until Thursday to mow and then he will call Mayor Seymour.  
Bistro provided 30 day notice to apply for liquor license. Mayor Seymour spoke to the owner who advised he has not plans to open a bar and just wants ability to offer beverages that require a full liquor license. Mayor Seymour contacted the Liquor authority and was advised the Village could send letter encourage, discourage or stipulations and the Liquor Authority would take those into consideration when making its decision. Mayor drafted letter to mail on if ok, no objections.  
The branch that broke in front of the Hall, Derrick Fields asked if wanted it cut and did take down and clean up for \$200.00  
Mayor Seymour also advised he followed up and mailed a letter to Canastota (Rocky) requesting the extra \$5000.00 for the fire truck

**Correspondence:** None

Next meeting 9/1/20 6:30pm

**Adjournment:**

**Res. #42 -2020:** Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Trustee Collins dawn second by Trustee Hatch at 7:36pm

**Discussion:** none

**Record of the Vote:** All in favor, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Wratten  
Village Clerk-Treasurer