

Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 PM  
Sweet Memorial Building - 455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present:	Mayor Caleb Sweet	Chief Marty Nerber
	Trustee Brian Borchik	Village Clerk Roxanne Demo
	Trustee Danny Dunn	Administrator James Lynch
	Trustee Paul Griser	Attorney Jeff Schiano
	Trustee David Pendergast	

4 Public in Attendance

Mayor Sweet began the Board Meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 P.M.

### **Mayor and Trustee Comments**

Mayor Sweet had nothing.

Trustee Pendergast asked about the calls that the village boat responded to, his last report was from July. Chief Nerber stated that the NYS State Report was received today and will be updated for the board. Trustee Borchik said the police officer and himself did a crosswalk safety on October 29<sup>th</sup> and nobody stops, they focused on two of the crosswalks, there were 23 tickets issued that day. There was a discussion on purchasing solar lights for a couple of the crosswalks. A motion was made by Trustee Borchik to purchase solar lights for eight crosswalk signs not to exceed \$3,500 to be taken from the contingency account A1990.400, seconded by Trustee Pendergast, Trustee Griser aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried. Borchik said our Phoenix mural was entered in Will Barclay's art exhibit, we won, they are now taking it to Albany and it will be displayed in the capital building. Liaison Borchik suggested that the Mayor should do an accommodation for Officer Hunter Nerber on his recent traffic stop activity. Trustee Dunn reviewed with the board first responder's monument bricks that will be sold, one brick will be sold for \$65 or 2/\$100. Lynch said that we have \$2,300 left to spend for the Street Scape Grant, it will be spent to light up the flags. The board agreed to sell them to village residents or employees at this point. Dunn mentioned the catch basins still need to be looked at. Trustee Griser handed out the proposed budget for the village justice. He asked the board to look it over and if you have any questions please let him know. Attorney Schiano stated it's our job now as a board to fund the position and provide a space for the court, those are the two main goals now.

### **Departments**

Chief Nerber reported that the Fulton Savings Bank had a dress down day and they raised \$600 for the CHOOSE program.

Administrator Lynch said we've received notice of the DOT grant for sidewalks, the paperwork has come in, they will need a significant amount of input for this project, designed and implemented. Roxanne and I have had phone calls with OCWA, they are going to bring their leak detection team in to help. Lynch suggested that they speak with the historian with they're ideas for the justice office space. Mayor Sweet will go down to speak with Barb Dix this week. The Phoenix/Schroepfel WWTP project, Dave Turner sent an email today that we applied for from NYS EFC and we have been awarded \$750,000. We're still about \$1.5 million away from the purposed project cost. After the first of the year he can have Dave come back with an update. Lysander sewer agreement was revised for maintenance and the questions we had with current hook ups have been answered. It should be signed soon. The Annual Christmas Tree Lighting is on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30.

## **Attorney Comments**

Attorney Schiano handed out the resolution calling for a public hearing for Local Law #4-2022 – Senior Citizens Exemption. Motion was made by Trustee Borchik to hold the public hearing on December 6, 2022 at 7:00pm, seconded by Trustee Griser, Trustee Pendergast aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

## **Abstract**

Abstract #18 dated November 15, 2022 in the amount of \$69,348.78. Trustee Borchik made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 577-615; water fund vouchers 578-616; sewer fund vouchers 578-612; library fund vouchers 117-121 and trust and agency fund vouchers 149-153, seconded by Trustee Griser, Trustee Dunn aye, Trustee Pendergast aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Pendergast to approve meeting minutes from October 18, 2022 seconded by, Trustee Dunn, aye, Trustee Borchik aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Ratify phone poll taken on November 2, 2022 abstract #17 dated November 1, 2022 in the amount of \$62,573.93 was made by Trustee Borchik to approve, general fund vouchers 548-576; water fund vouchers 547-576; sewer fund vouchers 549-576; library fund vouchers 19-116 and trust and agency fund vouchers 140-148, seconded by Trustee Pendergast, Trustee Dunn aye, Trustee Griser aye. Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

## **New Business**

Facility use for the auditorium for Tom Stoutenger on December 18, 2022 from 11:00am-5:00pm, Christmas Party, motion to approve was made by Trustee Pendergast, seconded by Trustee Borchik, Trustee Griser aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Facility use for the auditorium for Inferno Cheer on December 16, 2022 from 2:00-10:00pm, Christmas Party, motion to approve was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Borchik, Trustee Pendergast aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

## **Public Comments**

Michele Penniman 11 Sandra Drive said the Phoenix Mural could be put on t-shirts for a fund raiser. Margaret Sayles 91 Lock Street said the mural was absolutely beautiful. She also asked about the sidewalk being cleared on Cherry Street by the vacant property.

Motion was made by Trustee Borchik to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:26pm, seconded by Trustee Griser, Trustee Pendergast aye, Trustee Dunn aye, Mayor Sweet aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roxanne Demo  
Village of Phoenix  
Clerk/Treasurer