## Regular monthly meeting of August 24, 2022

**Present:** Mayor Mark Falsone, Trustees: Gail Harrington, Mike Didas, Marco Falsone. Absent: David Poole-See below entered meeting at 5:51. Others present: DPW Supervisor: Brian Rayburn Clerk/Treasurer: Donna Wollschleger

The meeting was opened at 5:32 with the pledge to the flag.

Minutes: The minutes of the July 27, 2022 meeting were approved as amended.

Privilege of the floor: None

## Mayor's report:

- 1. St. Peter's update- We signed a waiver of conflict agreement allowing our attorney to represent both parties on clearing the deed restriction. An updated letter of agreement states the timeline to be commercially reasonable effort of time to release the deed restriction.
- 2. A resident on State Street addressed the Town about starting a Cannabis Dispensary. The Town referred him to the Village. His property is split between the Village and the Town. The portion of his property that is on the Village is very small. The building that would be used is in the Town. The Mayor suggested he address the Town Board. The only other solution might be to annex the property from the Town to the Village but that would have to be approved by both municipalities.
- 3. Halloween hours were discussed and will be the same as last year October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-8pm.
- 4. A Homecoming permit has been issued for September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.
- 5. The Village has joined the Ontario County Chamber of Commerce. It is free for municipalities to join and helps get us publicity through their website and brochures. Calendar of events can also be added to their public calendar.
- 6. The following resolution was passed.

# RESOLUTION 2022-006 Village of Bloomfield South Ave/Route 5 & 20 Water System Improvements SEQR Resolution-Type II Action

WHEREAS, the Village of Bloomfield plans to complete the South Ave/RTE 5 & 20 Water System Improvements project consisting of the replacement of water main, and pavement along South Ave/RTE 5 & 20; and

**WHEREAS,** the above Project has been determined to be a "Type II Action" under SEQR regulations Section 617.5(b)(4)(5)&(11); therefore

**RESOLVED THAT**, the Village Board in making this classification has satisfied the procedural requirements under SEQR and directs this Resolution to be placed in the file on this Action.

Motion by: Mayor Falsone Seconded by: Trustee Falsone

Passed by the following vote of all Village Board Members voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative Village Board Members: Michael Didas, Gail Harrington, Marco Falsone, and Mayor Mark Falsone.

Affirmative: 4 Negative: 0 Abstain: 0

7. The following resolution was passed:

## RESOLUTION 2022-007 Village of Bloomfield To Advertise to bid the South Ave/Route 5 & 20 Water System Improvement Project

**WHEREAS,** the Village of Bloomfield wishes to advertise and receive bids for the South Ave/5 & 20 Water System Improvement Project.

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Bloomfield has appointed MRB Group to act on its behalf during the planning, bidding, award and construction phases of the building project.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Village of Bloomfield authorizes MRB Group to advertise and receive bids on a date to be determined by MRB Group on behalf of The Village of Bloomfield for the Water System Improvement Project.

Motion by: Trustee Harrington

Seconded by: Trustee Didas

Passed by the following vote of all Village Board Members voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative Village Board Members: Michael Didas, Gail Harrington, Marco Falsone, and Mayor Mark Falsone.

Affirmative: 4 Negative: 0 Abstain: 0

Dave Poole entered the meeting at 5:51

8. Because of the excess sales tax from NYS to the Village, we are looking for ideas that might improve our Village and use some of the excess fund balance. Some ideas discussed where flashing crosswalk signs at the Elementary School, Christmas tree lights, sidewalks, tax rebate, grants, dog park, etc. We will continue to look at ideas.

## Clerk/Treasurer report:

- 1. Abstract #3 (vouchers 67-94, TA 20) was audited and approved in the following amounts: general fund \$51,187.73; water fund \$9,521.45; sewer fund \$9086.07; and TA \$99.00. The clerk and DPW supervisor declared that all services have been rendered and all goods have been received. Trustee Harrington motioned, Trustee Falsone seconded, and it was unanimously carried to pay the bills as presented.
- 2. June and July have been caught up, and the AUD has been filed.
- 3. The Financial Reports from July were submitted for review and discussion.
- 4. We have received 93% of our Village taxes. Wollschleger will mail out 2<sup>nd</sup> notices in September. November 1, 2022 is the last day to pay.
- 5. The property located at 7160 Rte. 5 & 20 had their water shut off for failure to pay. They are a Town resident and therefore, we cannot relevy the unpaid bill onto their taxes.
- 6. Sales tax update: NYS Comptroller announced the June increase of 6.5% marks first time monthly year-over-year growth dipped below double-digits since March 2021.
- 7. Wollschleger discussed further with the Board about investing funds into NYCLASS (New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System). A list of participants in Ontario and Monroe County were distributed along with the entire State of NY. NYCLASS must follow the guidelines in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 10, the NYCLASS Investment Policy sets forth the permitted investments and any collateral requirements. We can get a much higher yield on our investment with NYCLASS with the interest rate they pay, and the interest is calculated daily. This amount is higher than CD's and our money is liquid and can be drawn out at any time and for any reason. Trustee Harrington spoke with the Treasurer at the School who has been using it for approximately 4 years now and had nothing but good to say about it. Discussions were held.

## RESOLUTION 2022-008 Village of Bloomfield Municipal Cooperation to Invest in NYCLASS

WHEREAS, New York General Municipal Law, Article 5-G, Section 119-o (Section 119-o) empowers municipal corporations [defined in Article 5-G, Section 119-n to include school districts, boards of cooperative educational services, counties, cities, towns and villages, and districts] to enter into, amend, cancel, and terminate agreements for the performance among themselves (or one for the other) of their respective functions, powers, and duties on a cooperative or contract basis;

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Bloomfield wishes to invest portions of its available investment funds in cooperation with other corporations and/or districts pursuant to the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amendment and Restated as of March 28, 2019;

WHEREAS, the Village of Bloomfield wishes to satisfy the safety and liquidity needs of their funds;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that Donna Wollschleger, Clerk/Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of the Village of Bloomfield is hereby authorized to participate in the NYCLASS program under the terms of the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amended and Restated as of March 28, 2019.

Affirmative Village Board Members: Michael Didas, Gail Harrington, Marco Falsone, David Poole and Mayor Mark Falsone.

Affirmative: 5 Negative: 0 Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Trustee Harrigton, seconded by Trustee Poole to invest \$1,000,000 into NYCLASS at this time. All in favor. NYCLASS will be reviewed monthly with a separate Investment Report from the Treasurer and future allocations/drawbacks can be made at any time per the board's discretion.

**CEO report**: July report was submitted for review. The Mayor mentioned that Kim Rayburn has completed half of the required courses to get her license and she is anticipating finishing by the end of November.

## **Public works report:**

### Water:

- A check valve failed this month at the Michigan Street site. This disrupted pumping and production operations for about twenty hours. A new valve came in today and will be installed next week.
- 2. We are waiting for the service people to arrive to complete the preventative maintenance on our pressure reducing valves. Brian suspects this will be completed in September.
- 3. Brian has begun work on the annual fiscal report.
- 4. Core sampling for the water project will be done soon by MRB.

## Sewer and WWTP:

- 1. We had a surprise DEC/EPA inspection this month at the WWTP. Everything at the WWTP including our lab was fine. Brian's license is in for renewal, and Dan Whittaker is awaiting approval from the DEC to take his final test.
- 2. We have not received a final report on the I&I study.
- 3. Restoration work has been completed on some sewer main repairs that were completed earlier this summer.

## **Streets and Equipment:**

- 1. Brush grinding has been completed. They are still in the process of removing the ground material. 50% of the invoice will be billed to the Town.
- 2. The new pick-up truck is in service. It will be lettered this month.
- 3. Various blacktop repairs are in progress.
- 4. Concrete for sidewalks is still an issue. We scheduled twice for deliveries that were three weeks out. One was cancelled by the vendor, and one was cancelled by Brian due to extreme weather. Brian put out a quote request to WP Mahoney to complete our needed concrete work. They are on Ontario County Bid and are what most municipalities are doing now due to the problem with concrete delivery and scheduling. The quote came in at \$18,817.92 to complete approximately a dozen needed sections of sidewalk and gutter. This totals what was budgeted for repairs last year and this year. Brian suggests contracting with WP Mahoney to complete this work for this year and see what concrete supply is like next year. The board approved and told Brian to schedule the work to be done.
- 5. We have requested a quote from Villager Construction to pave East Main Street. They are extremely reluctant to provide a quote due to asphalt and fuel prices and unknown structure of the road. Core borings would also need to be completed. Core borings were approved to get a better estimate of cost.
- 6. Crosswalk striping is on the schedule for next week.
- 7. The Boughton Park Commission has requested that we conduct some tests on water from one of their ponds in our lab. They are having some algae problems and would like some input from us. This would consist of about 1.5 hours of labor and could be done alongside of our regular tests that we perform in our lab. The board approved the testing to be done as part of our municipal agreement with the Town.
- 8. The Mayor received a complaint about Village DPW workers not wearing seat belts. Brian admitted that they do not in the Village because of the constant in and out, but they always wear them if they leave the Village.
- 9. 136 Main St. still needs a new water meter installed. It does not read and shows "end point tamper". Brian said once they get caught up, they will change it.
- 10. Brian said tree trimming will be done soon.

**Village Engineer**: Submitted I&I grant, waiting on water project approvals.

Standing committees: none Special Committees: none

**Unfinished Business: Standing committees:** 

**Audit committee:** The audit will be done on Monday 8/29/22.

**Unfinished Business**: none

New business: none

**6:42 PM:** Executive Session -Mayor Falsone made a motion, seconded by Trustee Falsone to go into Executive Session to discuss the 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. All in favor.

**7:13 PM:** Mayor Falsone made a motion, seconded by Trustee Falsone to come out of executive session. All in favor.

Discussion was held and 3 trustees are unable to make the September scheduled meeting. It was decided to change the meeting date to Thursday September 29, 2022. Wollschleger will notify the paper.

**Adjournment:** The September meeting will be the fifth Thursday, September 29, 2022. Mayor Falsone motioned, Trustee Falsone seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Wollschleger, Clerk/Treasurer