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Village Board

Gregory Deemie, Mayor
Richard Balles, Deputy Mayor
Bruce King, Trustee Martin Meaney, Trustee John Walker, Trustee

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Johnson City Village Board held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 in the Municipal Building, 243 Main St., Johnson City

Present: Gregory Deemie, Mayor
 Richard Balles, Deputy Mayor
 John Walker, Trustee
 Bruce King, Trustee
 Martin Meaney, Trustee

Absent: None

Also Present: Cindy Kennerup, Village Clerk/Treasurer
 Jeff Jacobs, Attorney for the Village

Mayor Deemie called the meeting to order at 7:30pm, led the Pledge of Allegiance and noted the fire exits.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

[1] The next regular Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 7:30pm with a work session at 5:30pm

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2017 regular meeting and work session was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee King. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

BIDS - None

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

PETITIONS RECEIVED - None

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS

Mayor Deemie opened the first privilege of the floor.

Julie Deemie, Zoa Avenue – Wanted to clarify something for the Board that was discussed during the work session. When the Department of Public Arts was talking about their grant proposal they kept saying to the Chenango County Arts Council and, because the JC Partners received 3 grants through the same avenue, it should be the NYS Council on the Arts monies that they administer for Broome, Tioga and Chenango Counties.

Mayor Deemie closed the first privilege of the floor.



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COMMUNICATIONS

A motion to accept and file the following Communications was made by Trustee Meaney and seconded by Trustee King. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Notice of the Jan. 19th meeting of the Broome County Assoc. of Municipal Clerks
- [2] Notice of the Jan. 26th meeting of the Broome County Assoc. of Towns & Villages

COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the following Committee/Board Reports was made by Trustee Balles and seconded by Trustee Meaney. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Minutes of the January 4, 2017 reorganizational meeting of the Town of Union Board
- [2] Minutes of the January 4, 2017 regular meeting of the Town of Union Board
- [3] Minutes of the November 14, 2016 regular meeting of the JC Zoning Board of Appeals
- [4] Minutes of the November 22, 2016 regular meeting of the Village of Endicott Board
- [5] Minutes of the Oct. 5, 2016 special meeting of the Binghamton-JC Joint Sewage Board
- [6] Minutes of the Oct. 20, 2016 emergency meeting of the Binghamton-JC Joint Sewage Board
- [7] Minutes of the Dec. 31, 2016 reorganizational meeting of the Village of Endicott Board
- [8] Minutes of the January 10, 2017 work session meeting of the Village of Endicott Board

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the following Department Reports was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Department of Public Works Overtime Report – December 2016
- [2] Fire Department Overtime Report for the week of Dec. 29, 2016 – January 11, 2017
- [3] Police Department Overtime Report for the week of Dec. 29, 2016 – January 11, 2017
- [4] Department of Public Works Monthly Report – December 2016

PAYROLL AND BILLS PRESENTED

A motion to approve abstract #13 of the 2016 - 2017 fiscal bills, having been audited by the Board and approved, was made by Trustee Balles and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried - Vote:

Ayes – 4 (*King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Nays** – 1 (*Meaney*) **Absent** – 0

GENERAL FUND	\$117,341.37
WATER FUND	\$10,227.55
SEWER FUND	\$128,955.71
REFUSE FUND	\$21,583.10
JSTP	\$509,723.74
VARPUR	\$627,421.99



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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution #2017 - 12

A motion to authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to remove the charges from the June 2014 – October 2016 utility bills for 332 Arthur Avenue and make such adjustments as are necessary in the Village accounting records was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee King.

Motion Failed - Vote:

Ayes – 0 **Nays** – 5 (*Meaney, King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Absent** – 0

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE & RULES (All Board Members)

Resolution #2017 - 17

Authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to remove \$214.96, which was incurred due to a leak, from the January 2017 utility bill for 275 North Harrison Street and make such adjustments as are necessary in the Village accounting records.

This resolution was held over by Trustee Walker.

Resolution #2017 - 18

A motion to authorize the forgiveness of a \$67.20 charge for excess refuse collected at 32 Farr Avenue was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Failed - Vote:

Ayes – 0 **Nays** – 5 (*Meaney, King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Absent** – 0

Resolution #2017 - 19

A motion to authorize the acceptance of a 2016-2017 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant award through the New York State Unified Court System in the amount of \$4658.55 and authorizing the Mayor, Justice and/or Clerk/Treasurer to execute all documents and take any actions in furtherance thereof was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Meaney.

Motion Carried - Vote:

Ayes – 5 (*Meaney, King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Nays** – 0 **Absent** – 0

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE (Trustees Balles & Walker) – No new business

POLICE (Trustees Balles & Walker)

Resolution #2017 - 20

A motion to establish a public hearing on February 7, 2017 at 7:35pm at Village Hall and direct the advertising of said public hearing for the purpose of reviewing and receiving public comment regarding the Village's plan to file an application for Federal Assistance for partial funding of a marked patrol vehicle through the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Grant Program was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Balles.

Motion Carried - Vote:

Ayes – 5 (*Meaney, King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Nays** – 0 **Absent** – 0



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PUBLIC WORKS (Trustees Balles & King)

Resolution #2017 - 21

A motion to authorize the advertisement for bids for the Village's Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement Contract was made by Trustee Meaney and seconded by Trustee King.

Motion Carried - Vote:

Ayes – 5 (*Meaney, King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Nays** – 0 **Absent** – 0

RECREATION (Trustees Balles & King)

Resolution #2017 - 22

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Balles.

Motion Carried - Vote:

Ayes – 5 (*Meaney, King, Walker, Balles, Deemie*) **Nays** – 0 **Absent** – 0

WHEREAS, for the last 5 years the Department of Public Art (the "DPA") has been engaged in creating and promoting public art and has sponsored "Mural Fest" where the public, especially youth, are engaged in painting one or more murals in a public space; and

WHEREAS, the DPA has submitted a proposal to the Village of Johnson City dated December 2016 where the DPA proposes holding Mural Fest 2017 at Floral Avenue Park during the month of September; and

WHEREAS, the DPA has proposed installing or applying one or more murals upon the restroom, storage building, pool building, and / or handball wall (the "Structures"); and

WHEREAS, the Village supports the DPA goal to bring public art to neighborhoods to stimulate community engagement, acknowledge and promote local and student artists, and to generally demonstrate the power of public art as a force for community development; and, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Village hereby authorizes Mural Fest 2017 to be held at a date(s) to be determined during the month of September at Floral Avenue Park in accordance with the DPA proposal of December 2016; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the DPA may install or apply one or more murals upon the Structures located at the Floral Avenue Park, working collaboratively with the Village as to the specific mural location, theme and design with the understanding that the Village will have final approval regarding those elements; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the DPA shall provide to the Village a certificate of liability insurance naming the Village as an additional insured, a security plan acceptable to the Village, a parks use reservation form with specific event date(s) identified during the month of September, and any other information reasonably requested by the Village.

PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT (Trustees Balles & Walker) – No new business

JOINT SEWAGE TREATMENT BOARD (Trustees Meaney & King) – No new business



PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS

Mayor Deemie opened the second privilege of the floor.

Rob Egan, Plymouth Street – Spoke against removing the bus stops on Main Street as was discussed during the work session. He realizes that this may be a problem for some of the businesses but perhaps that could be resolved in a number of other ways. A lot of people who use the bus are typically those who have no voice or are disenfranchised to begin with and for you a couple of blocks might not be a big deal but for these people that rely on this transportation it is vital to them. He asked that the Board reconsider this. There is a different demographic than there used to be. This is not forward thinking and when the BU students come downtown we need to make sure our public transportation is working and people have access to it.

Don Slota, Eldridge Avenue – Spoke about Boland Park. Over the years we have worked to improve the park, new swings, pavilion, parking, baseball diamond. The tennis court and basketball court haven't been touched. Years ago when Mayor Lewis was here he had the tennis courts redone but now it is more like a pond than a tennis courts. The basketball court is used even though it is not in good shape. The Board needs to find money to finish this park. It is a heavily used park. If you can't fix the tennis courts then take them out or put another basketball hoop in. Floral Park and CFJ Park are getting all of the attention and Boland is the stepchild – it doesn't get anything. Mayor Deemie explained that Boland is in our plan for upgrading the tennis courts in our grant applications – fencing and a tennis court – probably just one tennis court. The last time he was there, the basketball court wasn't in that bad shape but he can go look at it again. Mr. Slota stated that the hoops are and suggested adding another one. Mayor Deemie stated that they are looking at the tennis courts at Northside Park and the tennis court at Boland.

Julie Deemie, Zoa Avenue – Stated that only as far as parks, she believes that only CFJ and Floral Parks qualify for CDBG funds. Mr. Slota stated that he believes Boland Park qualifies too. Trustee Walker stated he also believes Boland does too.

Don Dillenbeck, (street address not given, JC) – Stated that quite a few years ago we had that collapse at the UHS parking ramp. He walked by there right about the time that happened and it looked like there were design problems or contractors problems. He asked what the status of that was. It got hushed up quick and they put up that big fence so nobody can see what is going on afterwards. Mayor Deemie explained that they have removed all of the debris. That is private parking ramp that belongs to the hospital. The Village had no part in that other than to help them while they were cleaning it up and at the time of the collapse. Right now they are in the process of renovating/rehabilitating the Picciano building next to the ramp. There are a lot of issues with a lot of things in that area. What they are going to do with that area? He does not know.

Corinna Johnson, Cook Street – She believes that collapse prompted people to seek more inspections. Mayor Deemie stated that the ramp was inspected but he believes it was by UHS engineers.

Mayor Deemie closed the second privilege of the floor.



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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Deemie adjourned the meeting at 7:53pm.

Cindy Kennerup

Cindy Kennerup
Clerk/Treasurer

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