

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE NORTH HORNELLS VILLAGE BOARD
September 1, 2020 6:00PM
Special Meeting Minutes**

ATTENDANCE: Mayor: John Falci
Trustees: Joseph Ingalls, Joseph Flint, Frank Libordi, Joshua Greenthal
Clerk Vanessa Scott
Superintendent Richard Scavo
Residents: Kevin and Julie Conklin

Mayor Falci opened the meeting by presenting small items that he wanted the board to be aware of.

Resident Kotteman reported unacceptable language being heard across the street from her neighbors. Mayor Falci told the resident he would assist where needed and offered to talk to the other residents if necessary.

Pump Station information was pulled together per the request of the City of Hornell. Mayor Falci thanked Superintendent Scavo for getting all of the information requested together in a timely manner. Mayor Falci reported that all of the information was sent to the City and would be forwarded to Attorney Pelych's office for further review. He also reported that Superintendent Mitch Cornish requested copies of all flow charts from January 2019 to current. These would be provided by Superintendent Rich Scavo as needed. These are requested to verify the flows that go through the Village.

Mr. Don McFadden approached Mayor Falci and informed him that he wants to purchase. He explained some difficulty he was having with Mrs. Giles in making the purchase. He explained he wanted to put a shed on the property. Mayor Falci explained no building is allowed on these parcels but can put a shed or a gazebo on them. Just no living buildings are allowed. More discussion took place on this issue. Other lots have been sold to other residents from Mrs. Giles as well with them realizing they are unable to build on the lots.

More concern on the intersection on Maplewood going up toward Heather Heights. A 7 year old was almost hit and a delivery driver complained he was almost hit. A suggestion of putting a sign up stating "Slow Children Playing" or putting a 4 way stop sign in at that intersection. Public hearings would have to be had and other steps that would need to be taken before putting signs up. Trustee Greenthal asked if there seems to be a pattern of when the violations are happening. Superintendent Scavo said he doesn't think there has been any coverage by the Sheriff's department in the last 2 weeks. Discussion about the uncertainty of trying to control traffic with signs and if it would make a difference.

Further discussion happened and Mayor Falci said he would try to get more information and further discussion will need to happen to consider options necessary to help make the above mentioned area safer for everyone. Superintendent Scavo said he saw a FedEx driver going through the said area like it was a "race track".

Mayor Falci welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Kevin (Julie) Conklin and thanked them for taking time out to attend the meeting to discuss the water line issue on their property on Chambers Street.

Information from the ACOE (Army Corp. of Engineers) was provided to the Conklins to review. History of the contracts between the ACOE and The Village of North Hornell was discussed. It was revealed that the ACOE has already has an easement on the property but reported they are unable to find the information when contacted that shows where the easement is.

After reviewing with the Conklins the 2 options recommended by the ACOE, the board asked the Conklins what option they would prefer the board consider? Mr. & Mrs. Conklin said they really didn't have a preference before and don't have one at this time.

Discussion about paying the Conklin's the \$1,500.00 requested previously continued with the board having reservations of setting precedence for other residents that already have easements on their properties and residents that would be asked for an easement from the Village for an easement in the future.

The ACOE referred to a 408 Permit and Standards that should be followed. The board agreed they should research the necessity of the 408 Permit.

Mr. Kevin Conklin told the board "The timing of everything doesn't affect us right now. "If you want to pursue the 408 Permit and figure out where that goes go ahead." "If it doesn't work out then we can revisit the 2 options suggested by the ACOE." He continued to say that he and his wife would be fine with that at this point. He said his fence is going up regardless and being that he doesn't have to dig deep it's not going to bother the water line that's being discussed at this time.

He mentioned they may decide to want to put something up at a later time for shade in the area of concern and when that time comes and nothing has been done, this will all need to be revisited at that time but, he mentioned again that if the board wanted to wait and look further in to the 408 Permit he was okay with it because it wouldn't affect his property at this time.

After a lengthy discussion, the board decided they would look further in to all options and the 408 Permit and Standards and make decisions and recommendations at a later time.

Superintendent Rich Scavo asked the board who would be the liaison for this situation with the ACOE. Trustee Joshua Greenthal offered to be the liaison and the board agreed and thanked Trustee Greenthal.

Mrs. Conklin told the board she felt that with the water line on the property now, it would lessen the value of the property should they decide to sell in the future. The board responded that at the time the land was purchased by the contractor that built their home, there was no water or sewer on the property. With those utilities now on the property the board's opinion is that it makes the land worth more than when originally purchased. The cost to get water on Chambers Street was approximately \$12,000.00.

The board agreed to table this and discuss this further at the September 14, 2020 monthly meeting. This will give them more time to look in to the other options and the 408 Permit and Standards of the ACOE.

Trustee Joseph Ingalls motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Trustee Joshua Greenthal and was carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm

Upcoming monthly meeting: Monday, September 14, 2020 at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Scott
Village Clerk