

**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NORTH HORNELL VILLAGE BOARD
NOVEMBER, 26 2024 at 3:00pm
MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE: Mayor: J. Joseph Ingalls
Clerk – Vanessa Scott - Absent
Deputy Clerk Alexandria Greenthal
Treasurer Kristene Libordi
Trustee Joseph, Flint Trustee Leroy Forshee, Trustee Elise McCollumn
Trustee Peter DiRaimondo - Absent
Chief Mike Robbins
Captain Chris Patterson
Residents: Rosalie DiRaimondo
Jim Bebout
Frank Libordi
Phone Conference: Attorney Elizabeth A. Russell – Mullen Associates PLLC

The meeting was called to discuss the resolution, referendum and the letter that needs to be complete to send out to the Village residences to hold a vote for the purchase of the new pump truck for the Village Fire Department.

The board discussed their concern with raising taxes for the residents again and without knowing what other expenses would have to be taken in to account for the new budget year for each department and for employee wages, etc.

Attorney Elizabeth A. Russell from Mullen Associates PLLC Joined the meeting via phone to help with the preparation and legal advice for the resolution and referendum.

Trustee Forshee asked Attorney Russell about the amounts listed in the paperwork she sent over, she then explained that with bond being more than 10 years, by New York State Finance law it requires a 5 % down payment, decreasing the amount to be borrowed.

Mayor Ingalls asked Attorney Russell about the decrease of taxes after the 15-year bond was paid, Attorney Russell replied that decreasing the taxes was not required.

Treasurer Kris Libordi asked Attorney Russell about holding a public hearing for the voting on the pump truck. Attorney Russell replied that it was not mandatory and that we could use normal notices as long as they are in at least six different places around the village, at least one day prior to the informational meeting.

Attorney Russell stated that a written notice needs to be published and a date needs to be set for the public resolution, Trustee Flint asked her how many days after the notice is necessary to wait to have a vote? Attorney Russell replied that the wait time is 41 days. With this information, the mayor and board agreed to have the letter mailed to the residence on December 2, 2024 and an informational meeting will be held at Village Hall on December 16th at 7pm with the referendum vote taking place on January 6, 2025 from 12pm- 9pm at Village Hall.

All information will be sent over to Attorney Elizabeth Russell to look over before being sent out.

Mayor Ingalls presented the board with a packet for a webinar on January 22, 2025 for all the trustees to attend. Mayor Ingalls also gave the board a packet from Labella that he received from his last meeting with the City of Hornell. This packet went over the repairs to the trunk line of the sewer and the cost for a new trunk line. It was stated that the cost should be split 3 ways for a total of \$20,000 a piece. Mayor Ingalls asked the trustees to look over the information. No decision was made on the information received and was tabled until the December 9th monthly meeting with anticipation that the board will discuss moving forward with a resolution for the \$20,000 at that time.

Motion by Mayor Ingalls to hold an informational meeting on Monday December 16, 2024 at 7 pm to discuss the possible purchase of the new pump truck for the fire department, Seconded by Trustee Forshee and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM by a motion from Trustee Flint, Seconded by Trustee Forshee and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexandria Greenthal
Deputy Clerk