

**Budget Work Session/
Regular Meeting of the Chaumont Board of Trustees**
Village of Chaumont/Town of Lyme Municipal Office
Located at 12175 NYS Route 12E
Chaumont, New York 13622

Held on the 18th Day of February, 2020

Board Members Present:

Deputy Mayor: Michael Nichols
Trustee: James Morrow
Trustee: Patricia Reome
Trustee: Dori-anne Froelich

Also Present:

Village Clerk: Karen Fitzgerald
John Duvall, DPW Superintendent

Regular Board meeting of the Village of Chaumont Board of Trustees

Deputy Mayor Nichols opened the Village of Chaumont Board of Trustees February 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Deputy Mayor Nichols requested that the minutes reflect that Mayor Rust is absent this evening.

Privilege of the Floor

No one was present for privilege of the floor.

DPW Updates

Deputy Mayor Nichols asked John about the snow blower currently used at the transfer site as a shared service. The blower is no longer needed by the transfer site. John replied that the snow blower is only worth the money as scrap metal as it is very old. John recommended that we give it to the Town for them to dispose of as they see fit. John also reviewed the list of equipment that is being insured by the Village's insurance. He commented that the Massey Ferguson mower is not working and should be removed from the list. He said that the Simplicity mover is the newest mower and should be insured with a value of \$1,500.00-\$2,000.

UV lights have been ordered for the WWTP at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00.

John reported that the beach is a mess as ice fishermen have been parking on the lawn due to overflow of the lot and then gaining access to the ice in numerous places. All of this activity has caused ruts on the lawn and has destroyed the beach area. He has placed "No Parking" signs however the signs are being ignored. Cleanup this spring will be extensive. There was a short discussion of how to keep individuals from parking on the grass. John suggested that if an agreement could be reached with a private property owner on Wilson Lane, overflow parking could eliminate parking on the grass and a designated area could be used by them to get onto the ice.

Chaumont Vol. Fire Dept Roster

An updated member roster received on Jan 25, 2020 was reviewed by the trustees. Upon a motion by Trustee Froelich, seconded by Trustee Reome and unanimously passed, it was resolved to accept the member roster as submitted.

Village Planning Board Public Hearings

The Village Planning Board will hold public hearings to receive public comments and review of the County's comments regarding site plans for Wise Guys Restaurant, Norbut Solar Farm and Tender Touch Massage on March 3, 2020 at 6 pm. Adjacent property owners will be notified of the hearing for Wise Guys Restaurant. Property owners within 500 feet of the solar farm will also be notified.

January 2020 Accounts Receivables

General Fund

Real Property Tax	A1001:	\$	-0-
Lieu of Taxes	A1081:	\$	-0-
Jeff. County Sales Tax	A1120:	\$	30,835.35
Penalty/Interest:	A1090:	\$	-0-
Gross Utility Tax:	A1130:	\$	80.48
Franchise Fees:	A1170:	\$	-0-
Clerk Fees: -	A1255:	\$	-0-
Registrar Fees:	A1603:	\$	-0-
Building Permits:	A2555:	\$	75.00
Unclassified	A2770:	\$	140.48
Beach fees:	A7140:	\$	-0-
Chips	A3501	\$	-0-
State Aid: Aid & Incentives	A3001	\$	-0-
Total:		\$	31,131.31

Water Fund

Metered Water Sales	F2140-1:	\$	11,852.18
O&M/DCC FEES:	F2140-2:	\$	7,874.87
Unmetered Water:	F2142:	\$	0.00
Interest & Penalty Fee:	F2148:	\$	150.35
Water Meter Fees	F2144:	\$	201.20
Relevied water bills:	F2145:	\$	0.00
Total:		\$	20,078.60

Sewer Fund

Debt Service:	G2122:	\$	5,277.05
Usage Fee Sewer Rent:	G2120:	\$	9,819.36
Interest & Penalty Fees:	G2128:	\$	150.35
O&M Fees:	G2770:	\$	2,742.90
Relevied Sewer bills:			-0-
		\$	17,989.66

Motion to Approve Minutes of the January 21, 2020 board meeting:

Upon a Motion by Trustee Morrow, Seconded by Trustee Reome, and unanimously passed, it was **“Resolved** to Approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2020 Village of Chaumont Regular Board Meeting.

Motion to Approve Payment of Abstract #9 of the Feb. 18, 2020 Board Meeting:

Upon a Motion by Trustee Reome, Seconded by Trustee Froelich, and unanimously passed, It was **“Resolved”** to Approve Payment for Abstract #9 of the February 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting in the amounts of \$5,733.73 General Fund Vouchers 1195-1205, \$165.27 Water Fund, Vouchers 349-351, \$3,816.09 Waste Water Fund, Vouchers 555-563 Trust & Agency: \$37,254.60 Voucher #59-62, River Crossing Project \$0.00.

Water / Sewer Report

Karen reported that Amanda Cheal experienced a water leak at her residence in the December billing cycle. The December reading registered 34,000 gallons. The previous reading in October 2020 indicated 3,000 gallons. The home has been unoccupied since October 2020. Based on the knowledge that the home has been unoccupied, the trustees agreed to give Amanda a 30 k/gal sewer credit resulting in a \$150.00 adjustment to her bill.

Letter of Support

Karen read a letter written to the Dept of the Army on behalf of the Village Board of Trustees in support of stationing the 4th Army Corps Headquarters at Fort Drum.

Mayor's Report

No Mayor's report was given this evening.

Committee Reports

Trustee Nichols: Nothing to report.

Trustee Reome & Trustee Froelich: The site plans for Tender Touch Massage, Norbut Solar Farm and Wise Guys Restaurant have been sent to the Jefferson County Planning Board for their review at their February 28th meeting. Their comments will be considered at the VPB public hearings on March 3rd.

Trustee Morrow: Nothing to report.

New Business

The Village Board of Trustees will hold a special meeting on March 10th for consideration of site plan approvals for Wise Guys Restaurant, Tender Touch Massage and Norbut Solar farms (five site plans) based on recommendations from the Village Planning Board and public comments of the March 3rd public hearings.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

Correspondence:

NYS Tug Hill Commission: Reminder that registration for conference sessions at Jefferson Community College must be submitted by March 1st.

Norbut Solar Farm: Notice that all five solar sites have fully-executed interconnection agreements and notice of intent to construct the solar energy system.

BOCES: 2019 Annual Report for the Drug & Alcohol Programs: The report indicated that two drivers are covered, however no test were performed for the Village DPW in 2019.

Geronimo Energy: Invitation to an open house to be held at the Chaumont Fire Hall on March 23rd to introduce the public to their company and solar project plans.

Motion to Adjourn:

Upon a Motion by Trustee Morrow, Seconded by Trustee Froelich, and unanimously passed, It was “**Resolved** to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Village of Chaumont Board of Trustees February 18, 2020 meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Fitzgerald, Village Clerk/Treas.