# Regular monthly meeting of September 25, 2024

**Present**: Mayor Mark Falsone, Trustees: Gail Harrington, Marco Falsone, David Poole. Michael Didas: Clerk/Treasurer: Donna Wollschleger, DPW Supervisor: Dan Whittaker. Others: Judy Judy, Mark Lucas, JP Schepp, Becky Bucholz, Vaughn Bucholz, Tom Burlingame and Curtis Johnson.

The meeting was opened at 5:31 with the pledge to the flag.

### Privilege of the floor:

- 1. Tom Burlingame from 53 E. Main St address the board with some questions regarding East Main St. The road was paved over a year ago and wonder when striping will be done. Dan said he was optimistic it would be this fall. The County schedules the striping, and they do areas at a time. Mr. Burlingame also asked about the 12' of gutter that needs repairing in front of his house from a water break. He explained that the water is running onto his property. Dan said he will be working on small areas in October to be concreted and hopes to have it done at that time.
- 2. Judy Judy, the Trustee of 19 State St recorded her conversation. She said this was the first meeting she has been notified of and is asking the Board for 30 more days to remove the contents of the house. She stated she had found someone to repair the house for \$25,000. The bid for demolition is \$45,000, she wants to know if that includes the barns that she already knocked down. If it does, she feels that amount should be lowered. JP Schepp said originally it included the barns but by the time the bid documents were released they were removed from the bid specs. He said he would get clarification of bid if necessary. Ms. Judy asked the fire department about doing a control burn but they said no. She stated she had a lead on someone to tear it down and take some of the wood. She also asked when the demolition would begin. Mayor Falsone explained to her that this issue has been going on for years and the property owner has had more than enough time to resolve these issues of repairing or demolishing the house. He stated that Ms. Judy asked for 60-90 more days last fall which she was given, and nothing was done. The Board has tried to accommodate her request in the past. Mayor Falsone explained to her that the Village has followed every procedure of the law in this case. He told her, we do not know when the demolition would start, but we can let her know once we have an approximate date. Ms. Judy then went on to say that she has asked the Village twice to repair between the sidewalk and the road. She stated it was the Village right of way. Dan explained that is her property and even though the Village has a right of way, the property maintenance is the homeowner's responsibility.

Ms. Judy then asked once more for 30 more days. She stated back prior to Covid19 when the property owner went to court over the property maintenance, she found someone to fix up the house. But, then Covid19 hit, and the cost skyrocketed. Ms. Judy stated that she now knows she can't fix the house and that she will have to pay someone to come remove the contents. The Mayor stated the Board will take her request under advisement in executive session. She then asked that the Village remove the picture of the home off the wall in the Village Office. The Mayor said yes, we will take the picture down (The picture was taken down after the meeting).

Mark Lucas then spoke and asked the Board again to consider the fact that she has been trying to clean up and has removed the barns.

She asked to be notified by email the results of the executive session and was told we would email her the results.

Ms. Judy and Mark Lucas left the meeting at 6:00pm.

3. Mrs. Bucholtz said she and her husband wanted to thank the Village Board for allowing them to have water all these years. She understands that in the 1950's there was a gentleman's agreement till January 2023 that they could hook up to the Village water lines. The lines are very old, and the Town is now working on a water district to put in new lines. She has been told that the Town of Canandaigua will put in the lines with help from the Town highway and everything will be inspected by the Village Superintendent. She stated she has been given a timeline for Spring 2025. He also handed out a letter to the Board members that she gave the Town of East Bloomfield board at their meeting.

Becky Bucholz, Vaughn Bucholz, Tom Burlingame left the meeting at 6:04

6:04—Mayor Falsone made a motion, seconded by Trustee Didas to go into executive session. All in favor

6:15—Mayor Falsone made a motion, seconded by Trustee Poole to come out of executive session. All in favor

Discussion was held on whether to sign the notice of award for the bid for demolition of 19 State St. tonight or give Ms. Judy 30 more days.

- Mayor Falsone stated it's been too long. They've had years to come into compliance and nothing has been done and there is no way it is going to be completed in 30 days even if we give her the time.
- JP stated he's not sure Ms. Judy realizes that anyone who goes into the home to tear down or fix up would have to be certified to remove asbestos. Because of the age of the home, he's confident that there is asbestos.
- What if she has it done before the contractor the Village hires come in to do it. She would still get a bill for all the legal and engineering fees and if she doesn't
  pay it, it will get put onto her Village taxes.
- Trustee Didas suggested giving her 30 more days before signing the notice. Trustee Poole agreed with him.
- Trustee Falsone stated the Village owes it to the neighbors on State St. He stated let's not forget we had a room full of residents complaining about the condition of the property.

Trustee Harrington made a motion, seconded by Trustee Falsone to sign the notice of award for the demolition and clean-up of 19 State Street. A roll call vote was held- Trustee Harrington-Aye, Trustee Didas-Nay, Trustee Falsone-Aye, Trustee Poole-Nay, Mayor Falsone-Aye Motion passed Aye-3, Nay-2.

Attorney Curt Johnson will send Ms. Judy a letter with the result of the vote. The Mayor will sign the Notice of Award to send to JP Schepp who will notify the Durable Demolition and at the October 23, 2024, meeting the Mayor will sign the Notice to Proceed.

#### Minutes:

1. The minutes from the August 25, 2024, meeting were approved as submitted.

## Mayor's report:

1. Discussion was held on SEQR for 19 State St. Mayor Falsone made a motion, seconded by Trustee Harrington to accept the following resolution for 19 State Street demolition SEQR-Determination of Non-Significance. All in favor.

# RESOLUTION 2024-003 VILLAGE OF BLOOMFIELD 19 STATE STREET DEMOLITION SEQR-DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Bloomfield Village Board (hereinafter referred to as Village Board) is proposing the demolition of 19 State Street; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has completed a review of the Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board determines that said Action is classified as an Unlisted Action under Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has determined that the proposed project is subject to a single agency review pursuant to Part 617.6(b) (4) of the SEQR Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board determines that it is the most appropriate agency for making the determination of significance thereon under the SEQR Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has given consideration to the criteria for determining significance as set forth in Section 617.7(c) (1) of the SEQR Regulations and the information contained in the Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board declared this to be an Unlisted Action and therefore has completed Part 2 and Part 3 of the Short Environmental Assessment Form; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board does hereby designate itself as lead agency for the proposed development above herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Village Board has reasonably concluded the following impacts are expected to result from the proposed Action, when compared against the criteria in Section 617.7 (c):

- there will not be a substantial adverse change in existing air quality, ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic noise levels; a substantial increase in solid waste production; a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems;
- (ii) there will not be large quantities of vegetation or fauna removed from the site or destroyed

as the result of the proposed Action; there will not be substantial interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species as the result of the proposed Action; there will not be a significant impact upon habitat areas on the site; there are no known threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such species; or, are there any other significant adverse impacts to natural resources on the site;

- (iii) there are no known Critical Environmental Area(s) on the site which will be impaired as the result of the proposed Action;
- (iv) the overall density of the site is consistent with the Village's Comprehensive Plan land use recommendations;
- (v) although located in an archaeological sensitive area, there will <u>not</u> be any adverse environmental/historical/archeological impacts associated with the proposed Action;
- (vi) there will <u>not</u> be an increase in the use of either the quantity or type of energy resulting from the proposed Action;
- (vii) there will <u>not</u> be any hazard created to human health;
- (viii) there will <u>not</u> be a change in the use of active agricultural lands that receive an agricultural use tax exemption or that will ultimately result in the loss of ten acres of such productive farmland;
- (ix) there will <u>not</u> be created a material demand for other Actions that would result in one of the above consequences;
- (x) there will <u>not</u> be changes in two or more of the elements of the environment that when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact; and
- (xi) there are <u>not</u> two or more related Actions which would have a significant impact on the environment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, based upon the information and analysis above and the supporting documentation referenced above, the proposed Action **WILL NOT** result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Village Board does hereby make a Determination of Non-Significance on the proposed project, and the Village Mayor is hereby directed to sign the Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 and issue the Negative Declaration as evidence of the Village Board's determination.

The above resolution was offered by Trustee Harrington and seconded by Trustee Falsone, at a meeting of the Village Board held on Wednesday September 25, 2024. Following discussion thereon, the following roll call vote was taken and recorded: Ayes-5 Nays-0 Motion passed

Trustee Falsone- Aye Trustee Harrington-Aye Trustee Didas- Aye Trustee Poole-Aye Mayro Falsone-Aye 2. Discussion was held on the bid for the demolition of 19 State Street and the following motion was made:

Mayor Falsone made a motion, seconded by Trustee Falsone, to award the bid to Durable Demolition, LLC for \$45,000 for the demolition and clean-up of 19 State Street. Aye-Mayor Falsone, Trustee Harrington, Trustee Falsone, Nay-Trustee Poole, Trustee Didas. Motion passed 3-2

- 3. Water district #4-Town: Supervisor Wille and Town Counselman Conradt from the Town of East Bloomfield came to talk to the Mayor about the Village DPW crew installing the new water lines for new District #4. The Mayor stated that it was never the intention of our crew to do the work. Supervisor Wille got the engineer report, and it clearly stated in the report that all the work would be done by the Town of East Bloomfield with possible help from the Village. The Village does not have the time or the experience to do it. The Mayor also received a call from former Town Councilman Mitchell who headed up the project, asking what the confusion was because it was never talked about the Village crew doing the work. The Mayor found out later that the TEB reached an agreement with the Town of Canandaigua, and they will be doing the work. Our Superintendent Whittaker will inspect all lines.
- 4. Quicklees has been cleaned up. Property looks much better. The fence is down, and all the debris is cleaned up.

### Clerk/Treasurer report: by Donna Wollschleger

1. The following budget transfers were discussed.

# A motion was made by Trustee Harrington, seconded by Trustee Didas to approve the following budget transfers: all in favor

TO:		FROM:		
A1010.4	LEGISTRATIVE BOARD	A5010.4	ADMINISTRATION	\$ 10,000.00
G1950.4	TAXES ON MUNICIPLE PROPERTY	G8110.4	ADMINISTRATION	\$ 65.00
		1		\$ 10,065.00

- 2. Treasurer reports were given prior to the meeting for August 2024.
- 3. Abstract #4 (vouchers 101-136, TA-4) was audited and approved in the following amounts: general fund \$23,610.14; water fund \$11,120.40; sewer fund \$15,882.11; TA-\$99.00. The Clerk and DPW Supervisor declared that all services have been rendered and all goods have been received. Trustee Falsone motioned, seconded by Trustee Poole, and it was unanimously carried to pay the bills as presented.
- 4. We have approximately \$11,000 on 20 properties left to collect in taxes. Reminder letters were sent out in early September.

- 5. The order for the sweatshirts and a coat for Sam has been ordered. They should be here within 2-3 weeks.
- 6. Our Annual Financial Report has been sent to S&P Global for our bond rating.
- 7. Because of the natural gas leak that was going underground from the office to the church it was decided to abandon that line and put the church in its own service. The cost to run the line is \$1145. Once the check is received, they will contact us about the installation.
- 8. Anh Le is getting permits to build another house on Bennett Ave. This one will be just before the driveway to Bloomfield Meadows.
- 9. We received an insurance check from Selective Insurance for the water pump house failure for \$20,406.80 to cover parts and labor while the pump was down.
- 10. We received an insurance check from Selective Insurance for the Van that was backed into for \$1335.56.
- 11. We have NYS Deferred Comp rep coming to talk to all employees on 10/9.
- 12. Water bills are going out on Monday
- 13. Final cancellation of PO Box 459 is Monday. All mail going forward will be delivered to our office.
- 14. NYCOM conference: A lot of useful information. I will report on it next month. I've been catching up this week since I've been back.
- 15. We received the quotes for the new double-sided signs for the Village.

Trustee Harrington made a motion, seconded by Trustee Falsone, to purchase version 1 for the DPW and Version 3B with the removal of the word "Village" from Sign Language. All in favor.

16. Discussion was held on using the reserve to buy the additional signs as had been done in the past.

Trustee Falsone made a motion, seconded by Mayor Falsone, to use \$7931 from the Economic Development Reserve to pay for 2 new signs from Sign Language pending permissive referendum. All in favor. Donna will send the notice to the paper.

CEO report: by Kim Rayburn

1. The August report was submitted and reviewed.

# Public works report: By Dan Whittaker Water:

- 1. The department is continuing to do lead service line inspections throughout the Village and Town.
- 2. There was a curb stop break at the sampling port on Steele Rd that had to be repaired.
- 3. A culvert pipe had to be repaired that was previously damaged on a water project on CR#30.

4. The department has started flushing hydrants in the Town water districts as time allows.

#### Sewer and WWTP:

 A variable frequency drive and 2 electrical transformers had to be replaced in the sewer plant. They are also repairing 1 valve and replacing another. This will put the 3<sup>rd</sup> sand filter back online.

# **Streets and Equipment:**

- 1. Crosswalks and all public parking spots have been painted.
- 2. Swept the remaining stone from the roads that had been oiled and stoned.

### Plans for October:

- 1. Brush pick- up the week of the 14th
- 2. Banners will be down before Halloween and flower carts and pots removed.

### Miscellaneous:

 As discussed, prior, Dan would like to set the date for the Spring brush clean up to Mid-April. A discussion was held and it was decided that the week of April 14<sup>th</sup> will be brush pickup in 2025. It will also be in April going forward. (previously in May)

Standing committees: none Special Committees: none Unfinished Business: none

### **New Business:**

- 1. Halloween hours were set for October 31st from 5-8pm.
- 2. New gas lines are being installed on the church property. Currently, the office and church are on one service which runs under the driveway. That has been capped and National Fuel has installed a new line going down the side of the building where the prior one entered the building. We will get an estimate from Steelhead to run new lines into the building and to service both furnaces at the same time.
- 3. The Mayor has appointed Roxanne Birdsall to a permanent position effective October 30, 2024.

**Adjournment**: The October meeting will be Wednesday, October 23, 2024. Mayor Falsone motioned, Trustee Didas seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Wollschleger-Clerk