

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Salem was held on Saturday, April 7, 2012 in the Village office. Present were Mayor Anne Dunigan and Trustees Mark Eastman, Paul Kobyluch, and Marcus Blanck. Also present were Public Works Superintendent Eric Rogers, Water Operator Kurt Jilek, Fire Chief Bob Graham, and members of the public.

The meeting was called to order, and vouchers from the General Fund Nos. 1561 through 1609 in the amount of \$18035.56, from the Library Fund Nos. 493 through 504 in the amount of \$1709.40, and from the Water Fund Nos. 436 through 445 in the amount of \$7268.02 were audited and ordered paid--motion by Paul Kobyluch, second by Marcus Blanck, and all were in favor.

Marcus Blanck made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 3 regular meeting. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: DPW I attended two meetings on White Creek flooding issues. At the first meeting, people from FEMA, DEC, the County, Town, Village, Flood Committee, and the Hydrologist attended. We toured the problems along the creek. The second meeting concerned FEMA remapping of the flood plain. The Proudfit Hall sign has been rehung. The 555E loader has many issues for which I am getting prices from Capital Tractor and Turunen Truck. We need to get the FEMA projects completed. I will be meeting with a guy who may have the equipment to dredge White Creek. **WATER** There was one new hookup in March, bringing total meters in service to 295. The 2011 Water Quality Report is complete and will be mailed and posted. The 2011 Water Withdrawal Report for the DEC has been completed and submitted. The upgraded Badger meter reading software has been installed, and Rebecca Brown and Kurt Jilek trained on the new software. There were two incident reports filed, both pertaining to brown water. Both properties have been attended to and the owners satisfied. Spring hydrant flushing will occur the week of April 9 - 13.

FIRE CHIEF=S REPORT: There were 12 calls in March, three motor vehicle accidents in the Village; one motor vehicle accident, two grass and brush fires, and one chimney fire in the Town; and five mutual aid calls, three for Cambridge and one each for Shushan and Rupert. The Department held two nights of rope and knot training and spent one night moving equipment from old to new truck. Five members went to Florida to inspect the new fire truck. Four members took equipment to Albany to be installed on the new truck. Man hours for the year (Sept.-Aug.) total 3414.

LIBRARY REPORT: Circulation for March totaled 1669 items. There were 244 borrowers, 426 holds placed, and 59 items added to the catalog. We also gained 10 new patrons. Our on-line catalog was visited 459 times, with 369 holds being placed. Patrons logged in 285 times to our public computers. Regular programs continue BScrabble Club, Book Club, and Chess Club and a Spring Story Hour has been added on Wednesday mornings.

HISTORIAN=S REPORT: Al Cormier was unable to attend, but noted he gave a talk on the Civil War at the Courthouse on March 29, and Tom McMorris (www.mcmorrisphoto.com) videotaped both Al=s talk and the Butler family singing Civil War songs.

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OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: A public hearing on the budget will be held on Wednesday, April 25 at 8 PM, following the annual organizational meeting at 7 PM.

Paul Kobyluch made a motion, Marcus Blanck seconded, to approve the new sign for the Tomasi Building. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Paul Kobyluch made a motion, Marcus Blanck seconded, to declare the Fire Departments damaged generator, couplings, and pump to be surplus, to be sold to the highest bidder responding by the April 25 meeting.

Marcus Blanck made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to declare truck 44-3 (old) to be surplus, to be sold to the highest bidder responding by the April 25 meeting.

PUBLIC REMARKS

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Rebecca Brown, Clerk