

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on September 21, 2020, at Halstead Hall, Civic Center, 39 Lake Street scheduled to commence at 7:00 PM.

**PRESENT:** Jed F. Thone, Mayor  
Benjamin J. Arno, Trustee  
Jamie L. Gadway, Trustee  
Dale M. Menard, Trustee  
Brian S. Pelkey, Trustee

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Arsene Letourneau, Treasurer  
John Cooper, Code Enforcement

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Susan Sullivan, Clerk/Administrator

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Jed Thone called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REGULAR SESSION:**

**I. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Steve Lambert informed the Board that after ERS moved its fence construction debris was left on the property and mowing has not been kept up. Mayor Thone will look at the property and call ERS.

**II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Trustee Arno made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 8, 2020 meeting and the special meeting on September 16, 2020. Seconded by Trustee Menard. All voted AYE.

**III. BILLS: \$292,319.37 CHECK # 26789 - 26833**

Trustee Menard asked if the money from the shuffleboard grant was received. Treasurer Letourneau informed the board that it has been received. Trustee Menard made a motion to accept and pay the bills as presented; Seconded by Trustee Gadway. All voted AYE.

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**V. REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES:**

**a. MAYOR JED F. THONE:**

- 1) Mayor Thone presented the slate of Mayoral Appointments and made a motion to accept. Seconded by Trustee Menard. All voted AYE.
- 2) Mayor Thone presented the slate of Mayoral Commissions and made a motion to accept. Seconded by Trustee Menard. All voted AYE.
- 3) The mayor presented the policies that were reviewed by the board for approval. Motion by Trustee Arno to approve. Seconded by Trustee Pelkey. All voted AYE.
- 4) Resolution 2020-16, Set the rate for milage reimbursement. Motion by Mayor Thone to approve. Seconded by Trustee Arno. Roll call vote: Trustee Arno – AYE, Trustee Gadway – AYE, Trustee Menard – AYE, Trustee Pelkey - AYE. AYE CARRIED.

**b. TRUSTEE BENJAMIN J. ARNO:**

- 1) Trustee Arno inquired about the village clock. Administrator Sullivan informed the Board that it has been ordered and the village will be informed when it is ready. At that time, she will contact Border Control to see if it can be delivered or we can pick it up.

**c. TRUSTEE JAMIE L. GADWAY:**

- 1) Trustee Gadway informed the Board that Eric Gooley has reached his one-year anniversary with the village and will begin training for his water plant operator license exam.
- 2) Trustee Gadway gave an update on the Park Grant. The fences are down, the tennis court will be resurfaced this week and the remainder of the work on the ball fields will be completed in approximately 2 weeks.
- 3) Trustee Gadway made a motion to direct the treasurer to prorate the salary of mayor and trustee between the previous and current office holders due to the unprecedented start time of the new term due to the delay in election due to covid-19. Seconded by Trustee Arno. All voted AYE.
- 4) Trustee Gadway asked the Administrator to give an update on the mold situation found in the Civic Center locker rooms. Administrator Sullivan reported that she spoke with a mold remediation expert and was informed that testing for the type of mold is not necessary since any visible mold in a public building must be remediated with proper personal protective equipment. Administrator Sullivan presented 2 quotes she received to test for the extend of the mold, create a remediation plan for its removal and test for completeness after the mold is removed. Trustee Arno made a motion to accept the bid from KAS Inc. Seconded by Trustee Menard. All voted AYE.

**d. TRUSTEE DALE M. MENARD:**

**e. TRUSTEE BRIAN S. PELKEY:**

- 1) Trustee Pelkey has had discussions with the Fire Department regarding completion of the A/C project. Trustee Pelkey has offered to assist the Fire Department with obtaining the necessary quotes for the work.
- 2) Trustee Pelkey informed the Board that there are a number of trees in the village that should be trimmed this fall. Trustee Pelkey and Trustee Arno have offered to inspect all the village streets and make a list of trees that need to be trimmed or removed.
- 3) Trustee Pelkey discussed the issues reported to him regarding traffic in the Civic Center parking lot. There are a lot of cars that drive across the lot when exiting without keeping to any sort of traffic lane. It was agreed that the village would contact the County and see if, through shared services, we could have the county engineer take a look at the traffic pattern and suggest improvements.

**VI. OTHER REPORTS:**

**VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

No comments

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**IX. REGULAR SESSION:**

**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Trustee Arno to adjourn at 7:23PM; Seconded by Trustee Pelkey; All voted AYE.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Sullivan  
Clerk/Administrator