

Village of Endicott Linda Jackson, Mayor Eileen Konecny, Deputy Mayor

R. Ted Warner, Trustee

Patrick Dorner, Trustee

Nicholas Burlingame, Trustee

A Quality Community Anthony Bates, Village Manager

Robert McKertich, Attorney to the Village

**Regular Board Meeting**

**June 21, 2021**

**Order of Business**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence**

**2. Fire and ADA Compliance Announcement**

**3. Mayor’s Announcements**

New York State governor has ceased COVID guidelines. We are now back to general open meetings laws. People are welcome into our board room.

Anthony and I attended a NYCOM conference. Learned many things. Some suggestions were to have a ‘coffee with the mayor’ time and have the Trustees keep scheduled office hours. I attended an open house at the Triple Star CPR in the Avenue. They teach CPR, first aide, and have babysitting classes.

 I joined Senator Akshar, Assemblywoman Lupardo, Vestal Supervisor Schaffer at a flag day celebration at the Elks club in Vestal. I accepted a plaque for the Village in recognition of the fact we properly display our American flag.

 Our CPTED Committee is making a lot of progress on properties that need to be locked down – now that COVID is passed. We also plan on having all the participants in the committee meeting with members of our Washington Avenue revitalization committee to go over safety, security, code, infrastructure, and low maintenance issues.

 Assemblywoman Lupardo has offered to help with our security cameras monitored by our police department. Byrne Dairy is now concerned their customers cannot make a left turn out of their parking lot onto Main Street. But this is a safety issue, and the DOT is handling this. I interviewed an intern from Binghamton University. She will be studying law. She will be helping my secretary and I on some of the projects that Deputy Mayor Chapman started. Attended a water board meeting. Many updates I am asking Trustee Burlingame to report on. I just want to emphasize that we need to discuss setting up a capitol fund account to aide our aging infrastructure. We are missing out on grants because our fees are so much lower than all other Municipalities. The State will only help us if we help ourselves.

There is discussion re: a possible solar farm at the former KMART plaza. This would be for low income NYSEG customers. But this company wants a PILOT.

I am establishing a Mayor Advisory tree committee. It is great to have so many people volunteer to help with our Village.

 Primary voting is here tomorrow from 6:00 am to 9:00

**4. Trustees’ Reports**

**Konecny**- she stated that the Tree Committee meeting is being rescheduled . The curbs on Page Ave and Franklin St. turned out really nice. She has been asked to be the representative for the EPD and the PBA. Vendors for the Apple Fest are filling up and they also have a large waiting list. The Porch Fest is coming along. She informed all that she would like to pursue a grant for preserving logs of historical magazines/ newspapers from GFJ located at the Visitor Center Museum

**Dorner-**he watched the Endicott Proud meeting and stated there are several generous people in Endicott that would like to volunteer their time, even as far as purchasing flowers and shrubs. Made mention of everyone’s efforts in re: to beautifying the Dick’s Open. Re: Byrne dairy-He asked if there would have to be a Village law preventing parents at school or students from turning left onto Main St? He commented that it would be nice to have a stilted market place along the Endicott riverfront someday.

Kmart plaza/ solar activity- commented he feels there should be a better use than a solar farm

**Burlingame**- enjoyed family time at the carousel. He opened up the Summer Concert Series. He commented it was great to see so much “life” in Endicott. He attended the Water Board meeting and presented the board with some updates. He attended the Planning Board meeting where they had the public hearing re: Byrne Dairy. He received a Tree packet from Terri Farrell as well as attending a zoom meeting re: the Kmart Plaza with the solar.

**Warner**-asked re: attendance for Board meetings and guidelines. Mayor Jackson stated we will still follow the guidelines and she stated that people are allowed to speak during the Hearing of Visitors and public hearings on zoom unless otherwise ordered by the Governor. Mayor Jackson will forward any new information as it is received. He asked re: the DOT and mowing the entrances to the Village prior to the Dick’s Open and he asked the Mayor to call them. He asked about the project at Mercereau Park re: the replacement of a storm sewer line. This is a DEC Project. He questioned the Mayor as to how she was aware of the new CPR Business on the Washington Ave. She stated she has run into them lately and the owner asked her to attend and he asked if she notified the rest of the board where she stated it “wasn’t her party and was asked to show up”. In reference to Tree City USA, he feels this is a great idea and recommends creating a board advisory committee.

**5. Village Attorney Report**

Byrne Dairy which is now under jurisdiction of the Planning Board- spoke of resident concerns re: exits onto Main St and DOT is looking into this and will get back to us.

**6. Village Manager Report**

He attended the NYCOM Conference a few weeks ago in which he attended classes re: Federal Stimulus, NYS Main St Revitalization and Infrastructure. He attended a couple meetings re: Health and Liability Insurance Renewals. He has begun to receive some information from FEMA re: COVID 2019 costs. Paperwork has begun to be submitted. Trustee Dorner asked whether the rates have decreased or increased and Trustee Burlingame asked if the Village Manager could update the public on the Washington Ave committee progress, perhaps as a press release or to be placed on the website.

**7. Special Presentations- None**

**8. Public Hearings- None**

**9. 1st Hearing of Visitors**

Donna Mooney, 304 Mercereau Pl- is there a way to have let the residents know about the project re: the replacement of a storm sewer line. Village Manager Bates stated we could communicate with the DEC. He will reach out to his contact at the DEC.

George Fiedler-Comments re: the Washington Ave Project. (Very difficult to hear his comments.)

Terri Farrell, 404 Hazel Ave-Comments re: Tree City USA

Renee Pfeiffer- landlord on Harrison Ave- Comments re: refuse work order. Owner will submit this letter to the Mayor and the Board will review.

As no one else wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the 1st hearing of visitors

Christine Ellis- Suggestions for the Tree Board

Carol Layton- Comment re: the free seedlings given out

As no one else wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the 1st hearing of visitors

**10. Approval of Minutes**

VOE 5/17/21

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**11. Bids**

a. Request from Chief Operator, WWTP, Philip Grayson to accept the single bid for new equipment within the Primary Clarifiers

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

b. Request from Chief Operator, WWTP, Philip Grayson to place equipment for sale to auction or sealed bid

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**12. Communications for Filing**

a.Town of Union Meeting 6/2/2021

b. NYS Notice re: American Rescue Plan Act

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**13. Communications for Action**

a. Dick’s Sporting Event- Path Sign Renewal

A motion to accept the Dick’s Open Path Sign Renewal was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

b. 30-day Waiver Notice (approved by CPTED)- Celebrations On The Avenue

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

c. 30-day Waiver Notice (approved by CPTED)-Lover’s Sushi, Inc

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

d. 30-day Waiver Notice (approved by CPTED)- The Outlet Pub & Eatery

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

e. 30-day Waiver Notice (approved by CPTED)- Ideal Bowling Center

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

f. NYS Notice re: American Rescue Plan Act

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

g. GUSTO Festival- 8/27/2021

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**14. Presentation and Approval of Accounts Payable $729,102.89**

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| **GENERAL** | **$296,394.00** |
| **LIGHT** | **$139,534.48** |
| **WATER** | **$66,930.37** |
| **WASTEWATER** | **$71,091.10** |
| **CAPITAL** | **$49,631.11** |
| **LIBRARY** | **$72,384.73** |
| **PARKING** | **$401.98** |
| **TRUST & AGENCY** | **$32,735.12,** |
| **TOTAL** | **$729,102.89** |

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**15. Resolutions/Local Laws- None**

**16. Unfinished Business**

a. Planning Board Review- Altura Project

A motion to call for a public hearing & conduct a SEQR review on 7/19/2021 at 6:00pm or thereafter re: rezoning and a redevelopment plan was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**17. New Business**

a. Cost Sharing for Sidewalk repairs- Tabled

b. Solar Project Discussion- Tabled

c. Sertoma Field Improvements

A motion to move forward with the improvements was made by Trustee Dorner – no 2nd or roll call was given

d. Visitor Center Museum Employee request

A motion to create (2) laborer positions at the Visitor Center was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

A motion to hire Jackie Tedesco as a laborer for the Visitor Center at $8.33/hr-maximum 12 hours a week was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

A motion to hire Colleen Becker as a laborer for the Visitor Center at $8.33/hr-maximum 12 hours a week was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

**18. 2nd Hearing of Visitors**

George Fiedler-Comments re: unattractive areas in the Village

**19. Board Member Comments**

Dorner- Comments re: Trustee notice of business grand openings. Trustee Warner asked that the Mayor could at least inform the Trustees of any new business openings.

Mayor Jackson answered by explaining she is invited, and am not told I can bring a guest. These are not my parties, I am just a guest. I do give a report at the meetings as to some of the events I go to. I did invite him to my coffee with the mayor event. He said he did not want to go to my events! (lol)

Ted also accused me of only inviting Eileen. Eileen said she rarely goes with me. Sometimes she is invited herself. She told Ted to quit lying about her!

Burlingame- Reminded all of the Concerts on Thursdays at the Northside Park

**20. Mayor’s Comments- None**

**21. Executive Session- None**

**22. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn at 8:17 was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes