

**VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, NEW YORK  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
TRACY MEMORIAL BUILDING  
DECEMBER 9, 2019  
7:00 PM EST  
MINUTES**

**Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Mayor J. Howe; Trustees P. Minahan; L. Packet; J. Boehme; M. Spock; Clerk D. Meyers; Attorney K. Dow; DPW Foreman P. Genovese; Police Chief P. Volkmann; Building Inspector E. Reis; Newspaper Reporter E. Teasdale; State Police Capt. D. Kolb; resident F. Iaconetti; S. Piazza; M. Howe

**First Public Comment (limited to 15 minutes):** F. Iaconetti regarding sidewalk clearing concerns.

**Reports of Commissioners and Committees**

Police Commissioner: Pete Minahan

Fire Commissioner: Trustee Melony Spock

Wastewater/Water Commissioner: Trustee Lenore Packet

Streets & Snow Removal Commissioner: Trustee Jaimee Boehme

Building Inspector Report

Water Billing Report

**Approval of Minutes** of November 4, 2019 – So moved by Trustee J. Boehme; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.

**New Business:**

1. **Resolution:** To authorize the Mayor to sign the Small Group Recertification for New York State Small Group Renewals from MVP Healthcare effective January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 for health insurance for Village employees per Village Policy. So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.
2. **Resolution:** To authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement for Administrative Services between the Village of Chatham and Brown & Brown effective January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 for the Village Health Reimbursement Account. So moved by Trustee M. Spock; seconded by Trustee L. Packet. Approved by all.
3. **Resolution:** To approve the transfer of \$500.00 from line 31204.01 (Clothing Allowance) to 31204.01 (Contractual) to be expended for cell phone contract expenses. So moved by Trustee J. Boehme; seconded by Trustee M. Spock. Approved by all.
4. **Resolution:** To approve the transfer of \$1,500.00 from line 31204.01 (Clothing Allowance) to 31202.01 (Equipment) to increase budget line. So moved by Trustee P. Minahan; seconded by Trustee M. Spock. Approved by all.
5. **Resolution:** To approve the transfer of \$1,500.00 from line 31204.01 (Office Supplies) to 31204.01 (Vehicle R&M) to increase budget line. So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.
6. **Resolution:** To rescind the \$50.00 shut off notice fee portion of Resolution 4 of May 24, 2018 approving water and sewer rate increases. So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.
7. **Resolution:** To rescind Resolution 136 of December 11, 2014 pertaining to sidewalk clearing charges. So moved by Trustee P. Minahan; seconded by Trustee J. Boehme. Tabled for further discussion.
8. **Resolution:** To approve one time sewer relief for Lori Bartholomew at 55 Woodbridge Avenue in the amount of \$138.76 for a water heater break. So moved by Trustee M. Spock; seconded by Trustee J. Boehme. Approved by all.

9. **Resolution:** To approve the membership of Stephen Eggleston and Christopher Liberati-Conant to the S.W. Smith Hook & Ladder Company. So moved by Trustee P. Minahan; seconded by Trustee M. Spock. Approved by all.
10. **Resolution:** To approve the hiring of Christopher Bleau for the Chatham Police Department with approval of the Board of Trustees. So moved by Trustee P. Minahan; seconded by Trustee J. Boehme. Approved by all.
11. **Resolution:** To approve the hiring and sponsorship to Kingston Academy of Michael Fennelly with approval of the Board of Trustees. So moved by Trustee J. Boehme; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.
12. **Resolution:** To approve the purchase of a snow plow from Hudson River Truck and Trailer in the amount of \$6,520.00 which is the lowest estimate dated December 5, 2019 and as per the attached quotes. So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by Trustee M. Spock. Approved by all.
13. **Resolution:** To authorize the switch of dispatch services of the Chatham Police Department from the Columbia County Sheriff's Department to the New York State Troopers Department. So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.
14. **Resolution:** To approve a one-time payment of holiday time for Wednesday, Christmas Day (December 25, 2019) and Wednesday, New Year's Day (January 1, 2020) to Patricia DeLong. So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by Trustee P. Minahan. Approved by all.

**Items for Discussion:**

Decrease 10% penalty fee on water/sewer bills - Schedule Public Hearing January 2020  
Sidewalk snow removal  
Resignation of Aneli Schmidt

**Correspondence:**

Payne Church tree matter  
Randall Simpson Planning Board Position/Francis Iaconetti Planning Board Position  
SW Smith Hook & Ladder Company

**Second Public Comment Period (limited to 15 minutes):** S. Piazza and F. Iaconetti voicing their concerns regarding the clearing of sidewalks of snow.

**Executive Session:** The employment history of a particular person.

**Entered Into Executive Session:** So moved by Trustee P. Minahan; seconded by Trustee J. Boehme and approved by all at 8:07 p.m.

**Exited Out of Executive Session:** So moved by Trustee L. Packet; seconded by P. Minahan and approved by all at 9:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** So moved by Trustee M. Spock; seconded by Trustee J. Boehme. Approved by all at 9:01 p.m.

**Next meeting:**

**Monday, January 13, 2020**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Debra Meyers  
Village Clerk**