

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morrisville, held the 7th day of September, 2017, at the Town of Eaton Municipal Building, there were:

Present:	Mark Shepard	Mayor
	Emily Marshall	Trustee
	Kathleen Roher	Trustee
	Thomas Lane	Trustee
	James Stokes	Attorney
	Amy Will	Clerk-Treasurer

Absent:	Allen Noel	Trustee
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Others: Jim Scholefield, resident; Sue Greenhagen, Judy Scholefield, Carolyn Gerakopoulos, and Dennis Sands, members of the Historic Preservation Commission; Bernie St. Onge and David Garwood, Esq. on behalf of Smithfield Eaton Volunteer Ambulance Corp; and Janet Oley, Deputy Clerk.

Mayor Shepard opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the August 3, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Trustee Roher made a motion to adopt the minutes as written, seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement: Mr. Sutton provided a written report for review.

Department of Public Works: Mayor Shepard indicated that he spoke with Mr. Heh who is pleased with the waterline construction project.

Historic Preservation Commission: The board reviewed two quotes for painting the Engine House; Mathew's Painting (\$3,200) and Hamilton Painting and Restoration (\$4,500). It was noted that Mathew's Painting amended their quote to \$3,000. The Historic Preservation Commission requested the balance of all budget appropriations (\$2,247) be applied toward the cost of painting the Engine House. The remainder would be paid by the Friends of the Historic Preservation Commission. Mayor Shepard noted that if this was done there would be no further funds available for the commission until June 1, 2018. Mrs. Gerakopoulos stated that they understood this and agree. Trustee Lane made a motion accepting the quote of Mathew's Painting for work to be completed at the Engine House at a cost not to exceed \$2,247.00, seconded by Trustee Roher, all ayes. Motion carried.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Trustee Roher made a motion to appoint Michael Higgins to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term expiring 6/30/20 and Seth Downen to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term expiring 6/30/21, seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Motion carried.

Youth Commission: The board reviewed three quotes for the purchase of a utility shed; Mullet's Mini Barns (\$3,625), Syracuse Sheds (\$4,495) and Parry's Hardware (\$5,275). Trustee Lane made a motion authorizing the purchase of a utility shed from Mullet's Mini Barns in the amount of \$3,625, seconded by Trustee Roher, all ayes. Motion carried.

Parking Enforcement: Mrs. Oley provided the board with a report regarding parking tickets.

Crossing Guard: Mrs. Scholefield said with the reconstruction of Eaton Street, the crosswalk has not been repainted yet. The crossing guard is crossing children in front of their home. She also noted that the school zone sign is beyond the crosswalk and it seems like it should be closer. Mayor Shepard said he would look into that.

Public Comment: Mrs. Scholefield indicated that the tenants at 12 Union Street have been very good so far this semester. They are optimistic that they won't have issues like they did last school year.

Bernie St. Onge discussed the Smithfield Eaton Volunteer Ambulance Corp (SEVAC). Since he last spoke with the board several months ago regarding ongoing financial issues, SEVAC decided to form an ambulance tax

district. The district would encompass the towns of Fenner, Nelson and Eaton where SEVAC provides service. Attorney Garwood indicated by forming an ambulance district this would allow SEVAC to obtain tax revenue from part of each town they are serving; this would spread the cost evenly across the users of their service. He noted that if the three towns agree to the formation of the tax district, it would appear on the tax roll in January 2019. No action is needed by the Board of Trustees at this point.

Attorney Report: Attorney Stokes provided the board with a draft local law to amend the village code relative to open burning. Mayor Shepard made a motion to schedule a public hearing on October 5, 2017 at 7:20 p.m. to consider this local law, seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Report: Trustee Roher discussed a continuing issue with student rental properties where there is garbage all over the property and garbage cans left at the street. She notified the code enforcement officer of her concerns.

Trustee Marshall discussed Jones Park. The Horticulture Department at Morrisville State College would like to purchase a substantial number of flower bulbs to plant in the park. Trustee Marshall would also like to budget each year for the purchase of additional bulbs and shrubs for the park. For this year, she should like authorization to purchase bulbs. The total cost will be approximately \$800.00; she would like \$600.00 from the village with the balance to be raised by donations. Trustee Roher made a motion authorizing the purchase of flower bulbs for Jones Park, with the Treasurer authorized to make payment in advance of audit, seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Motion carried.

Master Plan: Trustee Marshall spoke with the Madison County Planning Department regarding the master plan. She noted that their ideas are a little different than hers. She would like each board member and the Village Clerk to be responsible for a 10 year plan. Trustee Marshall also noted that the board should pick one project from the master plan and try to complete it this year. Trustee Lane suggested that a village improvement committee be organized to tackle this list. He suggested a notice in the village newsletter soliciting people for this committee. The board agreed.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Shepard advised the board that we received an official complaint regarding noise at a rooming house on South Street.

Clerk-Treasurer Report: The board was provided financial reports detailing income and expenditures to date by fund.

The board reviewed a notice from NYS and Local Retirement System regarding another contribution overpayment made by David Pushlar. Trustee Roher made a motion authorizing the return of the retirement overpayment to David Pushlar in the amount of \$49.97, seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Will provided each member of the board with a copy of the 2016-2017 annual financial report.

Each member of the board reviewed all vouchers presented. Trustee Roher made a motion to pay audited vouchers as indicated below, seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Motion carried.

General Fund – Vouchers 45-68
Water Fund – Vouchers 13-17
Capital Projects Fund – Voucher 5-6

Waste Water Operation & Maintenance Fund – Vouchers 14-21
Youth Commission – Vouchers 5-6

Mayor Shepard made a motion to go into executive session at 8:42 p.m. for attorney-client privilege, seconded by Trustee Roher, all ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Shepard made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:51 p.m., seconded by Trustee Roher, all ayes. Motion carried. No action was taken in executive session.

With no further business before the board, Trustee Roher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.,

seconded by Trustee Lane, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Will
Clerk-Treasurer