

**SPECIAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 23, 2022** at the village office at 4:06 PM.

Present: Mayor Scholl, Trustees Akin, Bennett, and Jarvis. Tr. Mullady was excused. Kelli Bingel, Deputy Clerk, Virginia Powers, Account clerk/typist, Bobbie Jo Provost, Supervising AEMT/Driver

Mayor Scholl discussed the employees being absent from work due to COVID. After a discussion, Tr. Jarvis made the motion to set the **policy** for **COVID absences**: The employee must produce an antigen or PCR test from their doctor to the Village Office for medical documentation to be paid without charging the employee's sick time. Failure to produce this will result in the employee's time accrual to be charged. Tr. Bennett seconded all were in favor motion carried.

Mayor Scholl stated that the engineer toured the wastewater treatment plant to get started on the **dredging project**. The new snowplow was towed to VT. They are not sure if this is warranty work but do not think the towing is covered.

The board reviewed the **EMS budget** with Bobbie Jo Provost. There was a discussion on separating the EMS Department from the Fire Department based on recommendation from Kelly Donoghue at Clinton County Office of Emergency Services. This was helping the fire department in getting grant money as they would not be including the ambulance receipts in their budgets. Tr. Jarvis offered **Resolution No. 22-02-23-01** to separate the EMS Department from the Fire Department as per the attached Resolution, Tr. Bennett seconded upon roll call vote: Akin-yes, Bennett-yes, Jarvis-yes, Mullady-absent, Mayor Scholl-yes Resolution Carried. Bobbie Jo Provost and Tr. Jarvis will write this up in a formal resolution.

Tr. Jarvis offered **Resolution No. 22-23-02** to approve lettering the new Ambulance for \$5335.00 and use the bond money, Tr. Bennett seconded upon roll call vote: Akin-yes, Bennett-yes, Jarvis-yes, Mullady-absent, Mayor Scholl-yes Resolution Carried. It was noted that the new ambulance will be delivered after the training session in Lake Placid on April 10, 2022.

It was also discussed that Eric Day at Clinton County EMS needed written clarification on toning out the Fire Department and EMS on back-to-back calls. Bobbie Jo Provost and Tr. Jarvis will write this up.

The board reviewed the **Office budget request** for 2022-2023 budget year. Discussion was held on charging the tenants for internet access possibly \$25.00/month, disconnected lines not needed in the computer room and the need to repair the cameras. Also, the old salon needs a back door gutters. Kelli Bingel explained the increase in cost for Archive Social.

Tr. Bennett stated that he, Tr. Jarvis, and Bobbie Jo Provost went down to the wastewater treatment plant to see what could be used for EMS to set up down there. They would like to start in April to move down there instead of senior room because there is a place to store the ambulance inside. The board reviewed the general fund revenues.

Tr. Jarvis made the motion, seconded by Tr. Bennett to adjourn at 6:51 PM all were in favor motion carried.