# Village of Spencer Meeting Minutes February 5, 2024

# Regular Meeting called to order with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 PM

Members Present: Gil Knapp, Village Atty., Kevin Brown, Jim Myers, Erika Brown, Sean Rice, Mike Hudak, Nick Lango Members Absent: None Public Present: Finger Lakes News reporter

# Guest Speaker(s) -

Kermit Bossard- Yearly update on food cupboard. In 2 years, they are up 54% in 2 years. The cost of food has gone up 254%. Served over 200 families in January 2024. Food distribution help is needed with unloading food trucks. Kermit is writing grants and took \$20,000.00 out of savings to cover costs. Kermit is stepping down and passing along to Phil Jones.

# Mayor Report-

Room Rental pricing

Budget workshop dates 2/19/24 6:30pm- budget workshop, 3/6/24 6:30pm- budget workshop, 3/20/24 6:30pm- budget workshop.

Update on sale of village property- only 1 inquiry and it's low. For sale sign on property. Gil will get a picture for the SVE Community Facebook page. Advertise it with NYCOM.

# **Regular Reports of Officers and Committees**

- Fire Department- 27 calls Total- 5 village, 22 town. 13.303 gallons of gas
- Police Department- 4 complaints, 18 V&T, 7 Administrative
- Police Commission- None
- Code Enforcement- 2 applications, 1 permit issued, 7 violations, 15 inspections.
- Building and Grounds- move items from storage to side of building storage.
- Grants- received the go ahead from the state to purchase Solar lighting and poles, dog signs and waste stations. Still working on the signage for out front.
- Nichols Park- Wildlife
- Roads- 1,000 ft. Brooks St. (west), Railroad to Liberty St. 1,000 ft.
- Youth- Community newsletter. Securing funding for PAK. Cooking food for SVE Senior Class.
- Village Planning Board- None
- Village Atty. None

## **Consent Items**

**Motion** made by Sean, seconded by Mike to approve the minutes of January 3, 2024, motion was carried unanimously. (4/0)

# **Public Comment-**

Nick Lango- Fire fighter exemption

## Financial Updates from Clerk- Treasurer-

Financials: Abstract #: 02052024 Starting & Ending check #s: 24636- 24672 Total Revenues: \$48,77482 Total Expenditures: \$55,862.58 VOIDS: 0 Room/Park Rentals: 4 Tax Search: 0

Total Revenues YTD: \$479,931.87 Total Expenditures YTD: \$448,363.28

SAM renewal done.
2023 W-2's processed and mailed.
Election petitions are due 2/6/24.
Secured election officers for Tuesday, March 19, 2024. Amy Ross and Lohrie McDonald.
Emailed Tioga County for voter lists.
Filed paperwork for unclaimed funds for Spencer Police.
Code Enforcement certificates are in the board info file.

#### **Items for Board Action-**

Motion made by Kevin, seconded by Sean for sealed bids on paving roads, motion was carried unanimously. (4/0)
Motion made by Kevin, seconded by Sean to accept estimate from the Town of Spencer \$4500- \$5000 for Liberty Street repair to creek washing away road, motion was carried unanimously. (4/0)
Motion made by Kevin, seconded by Sean to increase room rental to \$100 effective 2/6/24, motion was carried unanimously. (4/0)
Motion made by Mike, seconded by Kevin to allow Mike Hudak to request grant funding from Floyd Hacker Foundation. Miker d Foullment Town of Spencer for 2024 DAK program.

Hooker Foundation, Mildred Faulkner Tuman Foundation and TSB Foundation for 2024 PAK program funding, motion was carried unanimously. (4/0)

#### New Business -

Room rental pricing (currently \$50 rental/ \$50 deposit)- discussion

## Letters & Correspondence-

Letter from NYSDOT stating that Rt. 34/96 will be converted from a passing lane to a no passing zone in front of Spencer Post Office area.

#### Calendar-

Town of Spencer Board Meeting- February 12, 2024 @ 6 PM Village office closed- February 17, 2024 (President's Day) Council of Government- February 19, 2024 @ 6:30PM Village of Spencer Board Meeting- March 4, 2024 @ 7 PM

## **Appropriations and Auditing**

**Financial Transactions** – **Motion** to accept deposits of revenue, fines and other money having been received since January 1, 2024 AND payment of invoices and other debts as present by the Clerk-Treasurer, Erika Brown, AND whereas the Village Trustees acknowledgement that Village expenses, receipts of payment and bills to be paid have been reviewed by a minimum of two Trustees prior to said motion to approve payment of the bills and accept any funds/donations.

Motion made by Jim, seconded by Mike to pay bills, and the motion was carried unanimously. (4/0)

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 8:12PM made by Kevin, seconded by Sean. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted, *Erika Brown* Village Clerk- Treasurer