

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon was held in Conference Room B of Village Hall, 74 Genesee Street, Avon, New York, on February 5, 2024.

Present: Thomas Freeman, Mayor (via phone)  
 William Zhe, Trustee  
 Tim Batzel, Trustee  
 Amanda Hoffmann, Trustee  
 Patrick McCormick, Trustee

Staff: Ken Farrell, DPW Supt.  
 David Piampiano, Fire Chief

Visitors: Margaret Lee, LCN  
 Rob Hayes, North Ave.  
 Jim Harrington, East Main Street  
 George Brown, Genesee Street  
 Ashley Comeau, D'Angelo Parkway  
 Kitty Bressington, Collins Street  
 Judi Hobbs, Rochester Street

Deputy Mayor Zhe called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**VOUCHERS and MANUAL CHECKS:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Zhe, the vouchers and manual checks/electronic payments were approved for payment from the following funds:

#1-GENERAL FUND	\$19050.67
#4-SCHEDULE C	\$10989.78
#5-WATER	\$4077.79
#6-SEWER	\$16897.61
#TA00-TRUST & AGENCY	\$7173.34
#V000- DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$
#HH44-STORMWATER PROJECTS	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$58189.19</b>

Electronic payments:

Fed/NYS Taxes	p/r 24-02	\$17459.22
Nationwide Retirement	p/r 24-02	\$2510.50
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$19969.72</b>

Manual Checks:

NYS Child Sup. Proc. Ctr	Child Support	\$525.00
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$525.00</b>

The motion was seconded by Trustee Hoffmann and carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Abstain
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Amanda Hoffmann, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Patrick McCormick, Trustee	Voting	Yes

## DPW UPDATE:

Supt. Farrell provided the following update to the Board:

1. Salted & plowed snow & cleaned up.
2. Brush pickup.
3. Cleared sticks out of Circle Park.
4. Filled potholes.
5. Cleared catch basins.
6. Equipment repair, greased equipment, prepped dump trucks for inspection.
7. Picked up horse post for Erie Attica trail.
8. Turned in repair cost for Horse track damage, repaired horse track fence.

## WWTP

1. Transferred sludge from drying beds to bunker.
2. Hauled sludge.
3. Submitted DMR & WET testing information.
4. Daily operations

## Water

1. Repaired water shut off on Genesee St.
2. Repaired water leak on Temple St.
3. Telemetry running in the new pump station.
4. Quarterly reading of water meters.
5. Stake outs.
6. Daily operations

## UV Disinfection

1. Blue Heron installed rebar & concrete form panels for the next concrete pour.

Supt. Farrell also provided the Board with a copy of the letter received from DOH endorsing the Water Treatment Plant improvements.

## TREASURER UPDATE:

Treasurer Quinlan did not attend but provided the Board with the following update:

- Gathering ideas for 2019 GVBA grant.
- The Board needs to determine additional use(s) of the ARPA funds.
- Continued review of IT policies w/Hurricane Technologies. Future Board approval at annual meeting.
- Heather working on reporting salary & contributions as our former employee does want to retire from NYS.

- Attorney Whiting responded to NYPA re: outstanding invoice. No response from NYPA yet.
- Organizing sign purchase for Erie-Attica. Hitch rails are completed.
- 2017 & 2018 GVBA grant reimbursement request to be made after all checks have been cashed.
- National Grid's approval to install arms in process.

#### *New*

- Submitted WWTP disinfection 5<sup>th</sup> progress payment application.
- Submitted 1099-NEC's.
- Working on budgets.
- Working on Commercial Sewer account calculations for Board review at next meeting.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

Chief Piampiano provided the following update to the Board:

- Drills continue.
- Officers meeting to be held 2/20.
- 2023 update- 154 calls for the year. 60 calls in the last quarter. 36 drills during the year. Approximately 28 people consistently participated. Based on these numbers, there should be about 23 voters for the election this year.
- 18 calls in January of 2024.
- Fit tests were performed last week. Still have a few more to complete. The department is trained in CPR and AED.
- The truck committee continues to move forward. Generic spec provided for a start point.
- Crew will be on standby for Geneseo on 2/10/2024.
- Trustee Hoffmann stated that a preliminary draft of the bylaws has been seen by the committee, however they are still working on them.
- Chief Piampiano explained that OSHA has been working on a new plan for many years. He has reviewed and acknowledges that there are some things for the department to work on but there are no major changes.

### **CLERK UPDATE:**

The following items are updates from Clerk Randall:

- Deer Committee Update: Week 5: 3 sites were harvesting. sites spent 12 hours harvesting during 4 sits. 1 deer was taken. 2 shots were taken (50% success rate). All bolts were recovered. (deer was donated). 6 deer were observed for an average of 3 per day. To Date- 17 deer have been harvested. 20 shots have been taken with 3 non-lethal hits for an 85% success rate. (packet includes week 4 and 5)
- Provided- Livingston County Traffic Safety minutes for Nov 2023
- Joint Meeting minutes from Town of Avon held on 1/11/2024 were provided for approval.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hoffmann and seconded by Trustee Batzel, the Board approved the minutes provided by Clerk Farrell for the January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Joint Meeting. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Abstain
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Amanda Hoffmann, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Patrick McCormick, Trustee	Voting	Yes

- The Board received the Fire Department Letters of Intent for their election to be held 4/4/2024:
  - David Piampiano- Chief
  - Dan Snyder- 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief
  - Brian Strozewski- 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief

Upon a motion made by Trustee Batzel and seconded by Trustee Hoffmann, the Board accepted the Letters of Intent as submitted. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Abstain
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Amanda Hoffmann, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Patrick McCormick, Trustee	Voting	Yes

- Previously discussed- The Board has discussed the choices for candidates on the Water Works Committee. There has been interest among the suggested parties, who would be willing to accept an appointment should the Board move forward.

**Important Dates:**

- **BOARD MEETINGS- Feb 19- continue Public Hearing for Jaguar site plan**

**MINUTES:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hoffmann and seconded by Trustee Zhe, the minutes from the January 22, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Abstain
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Amanda Hoffmann, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Patrick McCormick, Trustee	Voting	Yes

**TRUSTEE UPDATE:**

- The Board set February 19<sup>th</sup>,2024 to continue the public hearing for the Jaguar Project at 7pm.
- The Board received several updates to the Avon on the Green Pilot Agreement to review. Attorney Whiting has stated that the most recent update provided is solid, however he did have a question for Treasurer Quinlan that he will discuss with her when she returns. The Town Board will more than likely act on the agreement at their next meeting. The Village Board will wait until all members are in attendance in order to act on the agreement.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Deputy Mayor Zhe opened the floor to public comments.

- Mr. Brown asked about the status of the pumps at Pebble Beach Pump Station. Supt. Farrell stated that the new pumps are working.
- Ms. Hobbs asked several questions about the Jaguar Project. Rob Hayes, who is a member of the Planning Board answered her questions and reiterated that the public hearing for the project will continue on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Brown asked about increased truck traffic and crane usage. He also asked if anyone knew what the additional acreage will be used for. Finally, he asked about water usage.
- Mr. Harrington discussed a stop light at the corner of Pole Bridge and Route 5 and 20 versus a roundabout. He also addressed Avon on the Green Pilot Agreement.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee McCormick and seconded by Trustee Hoffmann, the Board entered executive session at 6:39pm and exited at 7:30pm in order to discuss the employment history of a particular person or corporation leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. The motion was carried by the following vote:

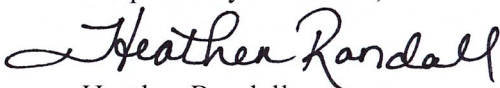
Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Abstain
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Amanda Hoffmann, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Patrick McCormick, Trustee	Voting	Yes

There was no action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee McCormick and seconded by Trustee Hoffmann, the Board adjourned at 7:40pm by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Randall  
Village Clerk