

**NORTH HORNELL VILLAGE BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
February 12, 2024 6:00pm**

ATTENDANCE: Mayor: J. Joseph Ingalls
Trustees Joseph Flint, Leroy Forshee, Brian Friedland, Peter DiRaimondo
Clerk Vanessa Scott
Treasurer Kristene Libordi
Superintendent Rich Scavo
OIC Kyle Amidon – Absent
Officer Kurt Amidon Present
CEO Bill Rusby
Chief Mike Robbins

Mayor J. Joseph Ingalls opened the meeting at 6:01 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

MINUTES

Minutes from the Monthly meeting held on January 8, 2024 were approved by a motion by Trustee Brian Friedland, seconded by Trustee Peter DiRaimondo. The budget workshop on February 5, 2024 was approved by a motion by Mayor J. Joseph Ingalls, seconded by Trustee Leroy Forshee and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

TREASURER’S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report was made by Trustee Joseph Flint, seconded by Trustee Peter DiRaimondo and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

CLERK’S REPORT

A motion to approve the Clerk’s Report was made by Mayor Ingalls seconded by Trustee Friedland and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

Mayor Ingalls presented to the board, the need to increase the fee for Tax Searches. The board discussed the current fee of \$10.00 and agreed the need to increase to \$15.00 is acceptable. All members agreed. Passed unanimously. See Resolution #9-2024 below.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Bill Rusby was present for questions. Mayor Ingalls asked Bill to confirm with the owners of the pool that has been subject to many discussions that it will be taken care prior to Memorial Day. Bill told the mayor he would contact the homeowner and confirm this. Mayor Ingalls reiterated legal action that will be forthcoming if the situation with the pool is not rectified this time.

A motion to approve the Code Enforcement Report for November 2023 was made by Trustee Friedland, seconded by Trustee Forshee Friedland and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

POLICE REPORT

Complaints	3
Community Services Rendered	33
Assist Other Departments	3
Traffic Stops	3
Total Calls Handled for the Month:	42

Officer Kurt Amidon was present in OIC Kyle Amidon’s absence to review the police report and answer any questions. Recommendation for the department to sit on Cleveland and check for cars speeding. Officer Kurt Amidon also agreed to talk to the resident on 4th street about parking his truck in an area that needs to be kept clear

A motion to approve the Police Report was made by Trustee Flint, seconded by Trustee DiRaimondo and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Robbins was present for any questions on his report.

Calls for the month of January:

Town:	8
Village:	4
Fire Alarm Checks:	4
M/A:	1
Total Calls for the Month:	17

Chief Robbins presented the 2023-man hours to the Clerk for filing.

A motion to approve the Fire Department Report for November was made by Trustee Friedland, seconded by Trustee Flint and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Superintendent Scavo was present for questions. He submitted a quote from Isaac's for Annual service contract on the boilers/air handlers and condensers. The board had a brief discussion and no decision was made at this time.

Superintendent Scavo informed the board he was going on vacation and had some work he could do remotely if they would approve it. The board discussed the option of Superintendent Scavo working 20 hours remotely and reporting every 10 hours worked to the board. This is a one-time approval and will not set precedence for future requests. Motion by Trustee DiRaimondo, seconded by Trustee Friedland and carried unanimously with Trustee Flint absent.

A motion to approve the Maintenance Report was made by Trustee DiRaimondo, seconded by Trustee Friedland and carried.

Mayor Ingalls	Aye		
Trustee Forshee	Aye	Trustee DiRaimondo	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye	Trustee Friedland	Aye

Trustee Flint left the meeting at 7:00pm

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 5-2024 - BUDGETARY RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered by Mayor J. Joseph Ingalls, seconded by Trustee Peter DiRaimondo and carried.

RESOLVED, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at the Monthly Meeting on February 12, 2024, approved to transfer of \$1,306.90 from Police Contractual A3120.4 to Police Equipment A3120.2 and \$946.74 from SRO Contractual A3120.41 to Police Equipment A3120.2,

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Ingalls	X	
Trustee Forshee	X	
Trustee Flint	ABSENT	
Trustee DiRaimondo	X	
Trustee Friedland	X	

RESOLUTION 6-2024 - BUDGETARY RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Peter DiRaimondo, seconded by Trustee Brian Friedland and carried.

RESOLVED, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at the Monthly Meeting on February 12, 2024, approved to transfer of \$3,120.00 From Fire Department Physicals A3410.41 to Fire Department Contractual A3410.4 to cover the cost of an unforeseen expense of portable radio batteries.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Ingalls	X	
Trustee Forshee	X	
Trustee Flint	ABSENT	
Trustee DiRaimondo	X	
Trustee Friedland	X	

RESOLUTION 7-2024 - BUDGETARY RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Peter DiRaimondo, seconded by Trustee Leroy Forshee and carried.

RESOLVED, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at the Monthly Meeting on February 12, 2024, approved to transfer of \$13,665.00 From Fund Balance A599 and \$2,560.00 From Fire Department Reserves A230 to Fire Department Equipment A3410.2 for a total of \$16,215.00 this is for the gear and equipment due to not receiving the FEMA Grant.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Ingalls	X	
Trustee Forshee	X	
Trustee Flint	ABSENT	
Trustee DiRaimondo	X	
Trustee Friedland	X	

RESOLUTION 8-2024 - APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

The following Resolution was offered by Mayor J. Joseph Ingalls, seconded by Trustee Leroy Forshee and carried,

RESOLVED, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at the monthly meeting on February 12, 2024, approved to pay vouchers from the General Account starting with number 249-284 in the amount of \$25,444.51 and from the Sewer Account number 35-40 in the amount of \$5,802.22.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Ingalls	X	
Trustee Flint	ABSENT	
Trustee Forshee	X	
Trustee DiRaimondo	X	
Trustee Friedland	X	

RESOLUTION 9-2024 APPROVE INCREASE OF TAX SEARCH FEE

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Joseph Flint, seconded by Trustee Leroy Forshee and carried,

RESOLVED, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at the monthly meeting on February 12, 2024, approved to increase the amount from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per tax search requested.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Ingalls	X	
Trustee Flint	X	
Trustee Forshee	X	
Trustee DiRaimondo	X	
Trustee Friedland	X	

RESOLUTION 10-2024 - APPROVE INTERNAL REMOTE DEPOSIT

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Peter DiRaimondo, seconded by Trustee Leroy Forshee and carried,

RESOLVED, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at the monthly meeting on February 12, 2024, approved the Village Clerk and the Village Treasurer to process remote deposits in house. The monthly fee to be \$30.00 while receiving a 4% interest instead of the .25% on the interest-bearing checking account due to signing up for the service of remote deposit.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Ingalls	X	
Trustee Flint	ABSENT	
Trustee Forshee	X	
Trustee DiRaimondo	X	
Trustee Friedland	X	

MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

Trustee DiRaimondo discussed the need for a municipal attorney. With some of the issues within the Village it seems necessary to look in to this further. There is money in the Insurance and Attorney Reserve in the amount of \$26,000.00 currently. The last information received was a retainer of \$7,200.00 was necessary. Once the money is depleted more money would be needed to continue services. Elizabeth Russell was a name given in the past with an hourly charge of \$200.00 to \$275/hr. More information will be obtained by Mayor Ingalls. He will bring the information received to the board.

VILLAGE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

July 12, 2024 will be the Centennial for the Village of North Hornell. July 12, 1924 – July 12, 2024. Celebration ideas are needed and welcome as soon as possible. Nothing was decided on at this time. To be revisited.

INSURANCE PAYMENT FOR SUPERINTENDENT SCAVO

Superintendent Scavo has requested a “bonus payment” similar to the one paid in 2023. This is because he is unable to receive a raise like the other employees. This would help defray some of the personal cost that he will have to come up with for this last quarter to pay his health insurance. The board discussed this for a short time. No decision was made at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

FIRE CONTRACT

The Village of Arkport reports they are waiting on approval of the wording of the contract. As soon as this is received, they will submit the contract to the village.

Next budget workshop is scheduled for February 19, 2024 at 4:00pm

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm on a motion by Trustee DiRaimondo seconded by Trustee Forshee and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Scott – Village Clerk