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MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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Village Board

Martin Meaney, Mayor
Deputy Mayor Clark Giblin

Trustee John Walker

Trustee Adam Brown

Trustee Mary Jacyna

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Johnson City Village Board held at Village Hall, 1st Floor
Training Room, 243 Main Street, Johnson City, NY on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.**

Present: Martin Meaney, Mayor
Clark Giblin, Deputy Mayor
Adam Brown, Trustee
Mary Jacyna, Trustee
John Walker, Trustee

Absent: None

Also Present: Cheryl Sacco, Legal Counsel
Brittany Perkins, Village Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas Johnson, Deputy Treasurer

Mayor Meaney led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Martin Meaney called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Mayor Martin Meaney took roll call and noted the fire exits.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [1] Restaurant week started today, April 19th and goes until April 30th.
- [2] Sarah Jane Church Family Bike Giveaway is Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00pm at 308 Main Street, Johnson City.
- [3] The Village Planning Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 7:30pm with a work session at 7:00pm
- [4] The next regular Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7:30pm with a work session at 5:30pm.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

- [1] March 24, 2022 Village Board Budget Meeting Minutes Meeting #3
- [2] April 5, 2022 Village Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the March 24, 2022 Village Board Budget Meeting Minutes Meeting #3 and April 5, 2022 Village Board Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown. The

motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative. Trustee Giblin abstained due to not being present at the previous meeting.

BIDS

- [1] Bids were opened and read Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 10:00am at Village Hall for the Avenue A Water Main Replacement as follows:

Specification Holder	Bid Amount (with error)	Corrected Bid Amount
F.W. Webb	\$105,727.72	\$128,045.90
Core & Main	\$133,067.78	\$131,941.84

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

PETITIONS RECEIVED – None

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS

Mayor Meaney opened the privilege of the floor to the attendees.

Matt Murphy, *Lindbergh St* – He and Tommy Balena are board members for the JC Youth Softball League and he sent an email regarding the state of Virginia Ave Park. He was hoping the Village could step in and make some much needed updates and renovations. There are some safety issues, fencing, dangling wires from scoreboard and general state of park is rough. Tractor is parked in a trailer rather than a shed, there is graffiti on the shed and concession, parking area is muddy. Not a good representation of the Village. They have spent many hours trying to get the fields prepared. Field two was almost unrecognizable, bathrooms are falling apart, a lot of exposed wood, poorly lit. The batting cage is falling down and kids were using it as a makeshift hammock/trampoline when they were there. The grass under the cage was high. Whoever did mow the field did not mow under the cage. Suggested a concrete pad. He would like to like to be proud of the place his daughters play.

Tommy Balena said the parks are the best place to take your family to gather and spend time. Possibly ask the school district to help. He spoke to Jeff Paske and he said they only line the grass. Mayor Meaney will reach out to the school district.

Mayor Meaney stated the Director of Public Works Josh Holland is actively looking at what can be done. There is a shed at DPW that has to get over there for storage of equipment. He and Josh will be walking through the park to see what needs to be taken care of. The parking lot has been that way forever. Andrew Holbert is also seeking a concrete pad for the little league also. They will look at it and get back to him.

Diane Lechner, *Rose Lane* – Is it Board's intention to pass the budget and a 10.75% property tax rate increase? She feels it's a serious shortfall and lack of planning for the future and wanted an explanation.

Mayor Meaney responded this came January 29th and it was a Supreme Court Judge's Order with the reassessment of the Oakdale Mall. The Village had no hand in the reassessment. We lost \$2.7 million in our assessed value and this is what is driving this increase. Mayor Meaney explained to Ms. Lechner that this has nothing to do with the PILOT.

Ms. Lechner and Mayor Meaney discussed the tax rate increase of 10.54% and the effect on the residents of Johnson City.

Ms. Lechner questioned the JSTP resolution, the sewer bonding for \$85,000 and for \$46,500 and asked if they can pass it as is.

Mayor Meaney explained the \$85,000 bonding in the General Fund is for Flowbird, the new parking system. We are getting rid of the meters. Mayor Meaney advised the \$46,500 bonding amount in the sewer fund should not be in there. He explained they can pass it as is and they won't bond for it in August.

Trustee Giblin reviewed the JSTP resolution and advised regarding the insurance claim.

Thomas Johnson explained the sewer fund, water fund and the general fund.

Tom Lamphere, *Riverside Dr* – Asked how the Board and Trustees feel they should get a 25% pay increase.

Mayor Meaney responded it is not a true representation of the budget and explained the budget.

Diane Marusich, *Debra Dr* – as a former Trustee, she explained the budget and talked about the PILOT program. Spoke regarding reduced lunch program. Begging the Board to get creative in considering keeping the hurt as minimal as possible. Cutting positions should be an option.

Mayor Meaney spoke regarding it is a difficult balance and that the Village is not immune to increases for gasoline, health insurances, concrete, asphalt. In 1992, there was a 42% tax increase because the previous boards for two years decreased taxes minimally and it ended up being a recipe for disaster due to bad budgeting. The Board does not take this lightly. Trustee Brown had the same suggestion on cutting positions. Mayor Meaney asked Mrs. Marusich what positions the Village should cut.

Phyllis Smith, *Brockton St* – Complained about the lack of plowing and way that Brocton is plowed.

Steve Elkins, *Penna Rd* – Concerned about the tax rate increase and salary increases and doesn't seem justified. Plowing tends to miss his driveway by 25-30 feet and he ends up having to do his own plowing because of the design of the street. He will bring it to Ms. Lupardo's attention.

Mayor Meaney responded we are limited on how we can generate revenue, only can be generated from property taxes. The Board is going to try and get creative to seek legislation to allow the Village to preempt sales tax. The City can preempt sales tax, the Village can't. We are going to seek to get a fee from service from non-profits, Johnson City has a lot of non-profits and with a fee for service we could get 48% of the budget. We could get \$2.5 million from UHS. Because we are a Village, we can't get a hotel/motel tax. Those are things we want to change and we are going to start lobbying to Senator Akshar and Assemblywoman Lupardo. We want to have an opportunity to generate revenue other than relying on a portion of the sales tax and property taxes. Mayor Meaney asked for help with this.

Corina Johnson, *Cook St* – People are having a hard time with bills.

Tommy Baleno, *Ackley Ave* – would feel better paying more if they were happier with services they are getting.

Mayor Meaney closed the privilege of the floor.

COMMUNICATIONS

A motion to accept and file the following Communications was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Correspondence from Hanna Zyra of 5 Wren Street regarding garbage violation.
- [2] Correspondence from Saima Khan of 84 Allen Street regarding garbage violation.
- [3] Correspondence from David Terry of 35 Lusk Street regarding garbage violation.
- [4] Correspondence from Gertrude Edwards of 467 Main Street regarding water bill.

COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the following Committee/Board Reports were made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Joint Sewage Board Reports dated March 31, 2022

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the following Department Reports were made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Police Department Monthly Report for March 2022

PAYROLL AND BILLS PRESENTED

A motion to approve Abstract #19 of the 2021 – 2022 fiscal bills as stated and/or amended, and attached to the work session minutes and recorded as part of the work session minutes, having been audited by the Board and approved, was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

GENERAL FUND	\$94,890.89
WATER FUND	\$18,642.40
SEWER FUND	\$679,693.49
REFUSE FUND	\$27,649.45
JSTP	\$191,514.87
VARPUR	\$0
CAPITAL	\$0
DEBT SERVICE	\$610,720.13

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE & RULES

Resolution 104 of 2022

A motion to approve a request for Princetown Seniors (maximum of 50) to ride the CFJ Park carousel on Thursday, July 20, 2022 from 4:30p.m. until 5:30p.m. contingent upon proof of insurance being provided listing the Village of Johnson City as the certificate holder was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 105 of 2022

A motion to approve a request from the Johnson City Lions Club on June 10, 2022 from 9:30a.m. to 1:30p.m. for their annual DARE picnic for Johnson City and St. James Schools sixth-grade students to use North Side Park, sports fields, concession stand, restrooms and the pavilion contingent upon the pavilion payment and proof of insurance being provided listing the Village of Johnson City as the certificate holder and the submission of security details made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 106 of 2022

A motion to waive the garbage disposal fee in the amount of \$105.00 to Hanna Zyra for 9 Wren Street was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Brown.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 107 of 2022

A motion to grant a request for an appeal of the code violation and bill regarding garbage disposal in the amount of \$250.00 to Saima Khan of 84 Allen Street was made by Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

Resolution 108 of 2022

A motion to waive the garbage disposal fee in the amount of \$250.00 to David Terry for 35 Lusk Street was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Absent – 0

Resolution 109 of 2022

A motion to reduce the water bill amount for Gertrude Edwards of 467 Main Street was held over by Trustee Walker.

Resolution 110 of 2022

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Jacyna, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 1 (Brown) Absent – 0

Whereas, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Johnson City having, on the 13th day of April, 2022 commencing at 6:00pm, duly held a public hearing on the Tentative Budget filed with the Village Clerk for the fiscal year commencing on June 1, 2022 and having heard all persons desiring to be heard in the matter of the budget for this Village for such fiscal year having been fully discussed and considered, it is RESOLVED, that the said Tentative Budget, approved and filed as aforesaid is hereby amended as follows:

2022-2023 BUDGET

CHANGES

BUDGET MTG #1 - 3/14/2022

LINE ITEM	Budget amount	Revenue amount	BONDING
GENERAL FUND			
A3410.1	-\$9,200.00		
A3410.2.110	\$4,400.00		
A3410.4.036	-\$5,200.00		
A3410.4.101	\$500.00		
A3410.4.201	\$500.00		
A3410.4.240	-\$5,000.00		
A3410.4.260	\$6,500.00		
A3410.4.524	-\$500.00		
A3410.4.903	-\$3,300.00		
A3410.4.914	-\$3,900.00		
TOTAL GENERAL:	-\$15,200.00		

BUDGET MTG #2 - 3/22/2022

LINE ITEM	BUDGET AMT	REVENUE AMT	BONDING
GENERAL FUND			
TOTAL GENERAL:	\$0.00	\$0.00	

WATER FUND

F8310.4.023	-\$2,000.00
F8320.4.412	-\$10,000.00
F8320.4.602	-\$500.00
F8320.4.642	\$2,500.00
F8320.4.655	\$11,000.00

F8340.4.153	-\$2,000.00	
F8340.4.921	-\$2,000.00	
F9010.8.010	\$23,470.70	
TOTAL WATER	\$20,470.70	\$0.00

SEWER FUND		
G8120.2.660	-\$55,000.00	
G8120.4.921	-\$350.00	
G9010.8.010	\$9,746.56	
TOTAL SEWER:	-\$45,603.44	\$0.00

REFUSE FUND		
EM8160.2.406	\$12,418.00	
EM8160.4.921	-\$1,500.00	
EM9010.8.010	\$17,549.89	
TOTAL REFUSE:	\$28,467.89	\$0.00

BUDGET MTG #3 - 3/24/2022

LINE ITEM	BUDGET AMT	REVENUE AMT	BONDING
GENERAL FUND			
A1640.2.503	-\$200.00		
A1640.4.134	-\$150.00		
A1640.4.202	-\$70.00		
A1640.4.207	-\$60.00		
A1640.4.263	\$200.00		
A1640.4.921	-\$500.00		
A5010.4.025	-\$1,500.00		
A5010.4.101	-\$250.00		
A5010.4.921	-\$153.00		
A5110.4.213	-\$10,000.00		
A5110.4.250	-\$1,000.00		
A5110.4.254	-\$5,000.00		
A5110.4.522	-\$250.00		
A5110.4.921	-\$710.00		
A5112.2.023	\$220,000.00		\$220,000.00
A5112.2.026	-\$65,000.00		-\$65,000.00
A5410.4.214	-\$50,000.00		-\$50,000.00
A5650.4.211	-\$500.00		
A7140.2.250	-\$200.00		
A7140.2.756	-\$32,000.00		
A7140.4.205	-\$1,000.00		
A7140.4.251	-\$300.00		
A7140.4.410	-\$1,000.00		
A7140.4.733	-\$500.00		
A7140.4.921	-\$200.00		
A7310.4.753	-\$500.00		

A7310.4.921	-\$1,800.00		
A8140.4.630	-\$5,000.00		
A8170.4.406	-\$1,000.00		
A9010.8.010	\$30,443.28		
TOTAL GENERAL:	\$71,800.28	\$0.00	\$105,000.00

TOTAL WATER:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL SEWER:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REFUSE:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

BUDGET MTG #4 - 3/28/2022

LINE ITEM	BUDGET AMT	REVENUE AMT	BONDING
GENERAL FUND			
A1170		\$50,000.00	
A1520		\$80,000.00	
A1740		\$18,700.00	
A2610		\$25,000.00	
A2770		\$50,000.00	
A3120.4.136	-\$2,000.00		
A3120.4.341	-\$2,440.00		
A3120.4.903	-\$4,300.00		
A3120.4.930	-\$2,000.00		
A3410.4.437	\$85,000.00		\$85,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL:	\$74,260.00	\$223,700.00	\$85,000.00

TOTAL WATER:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL SEWER:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REFUSE:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

BUDGET MTG #5 - 3/29/2022

LINE ITEM	BUDGET AMT	REVENUE AMT	BONDING
GENERAL FUND			
A1110.4.101	-\$500.00		
A1110.4.130	\$200.00		
A1110.4.346	-\$600.00		
A1110.4.439	-\$3,356.00		
A1110.4.540	-\$200.00		
A1110.4.930	-\$500.00		
A1210.2.111	-\$2,000.00		
A1210.4.150	\$400.00		
A1325.4.103	\$150.00		
A1420.4.010	\$50,000.00		
A1420.4.015	\$5,000.00		
A3989.1.000	-\$4,350.00		
A3989.2.000	-\$74,500.00		
A3989.4.030	-\$500.00		
A3989.4.065	-\$25,000.00		

A3989.4.240	\$4,000.00		
A3989.4.930	-\$1,000.00		
GENERAL TOTAL:	-\$279,838.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER TOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	
SEWER TOTAL:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
REFUSE FUND:			
EM8160.2.406	-\$202,082.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REFUSE:	-\$202,082.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
PUBLIC HEARING 4/13/22			
LINE ITEM	BUDGET AMT	REVENUE AMT	BONDING
GENERAL FUND			
A1010.1.000	-\$15,000.00		
A1210.1.000	-\$9,000.00		
A1990.4.090	-\$400,000.00		
A3120.2.311	-\$4,800.00		
A3320.4.275	\$79,500.00		\$80,000.00
A3410.2.110	\$4,400.00		
A8170.4.230	-\$10,000.00		
GENERAL TOTAL:	-\$330,900.00	\$0.00	\$80,000.00
WATER FUND			
F8340.2.321	-\$62,000.00		
WATER TOTAL	-\$62,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SEWER FUND			
G8120.2.670	\$46,500.00		\$46,500.00
G8120.2.671	\$46,500.00		
SEWER TOTAL:	\$93,000.00	\$0.00	\$46,500.00
REFUSE FUND:			
EM8160.4.611	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REFUSE:	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE (Trustees Giblin & Meaney) – No new business

POLICE (Trustees Giblin & Meaney) – No new business

PUBLIC WORKS (Trustees Giblin & Walker)

Resolution 111 of 2022

A motion to authorize the Director of Public Services to submit the application for CBDG Funding to the Town of Union for the 2022 Federal Fiscal Year (October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023) was made by

Trustee Giblin and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Resolution 112 of 2022

A motion to authorize the renewal of the contract to Curb & Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement Contract for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 with Tre-Gen Concrete Corporation at the adjusted pricing per the Consumer Price Index increase of +7.90% (CPI as of 02/2022) was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Giblin.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

Discussion: Trustee Giblin explained this is the third year of the three-year concrete contract. Mayor Meaney added the CPI now is 9%, so we are lucky we are getting in at a little less than what the current CPI is.

Resolution 113 of 2022

A motion to award the bid for Avenue A Water Main Replacement Materials in the amount of \$128,045.90 to F.W. Webb as the lowest responsive bid was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

RECREATION (Trustees Giblin & Walker) – No new business

PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT (Trustees Brown & Meaney) – No new business

JOINT SEWAGE TREATMENT BOARD (Trustees Brown & Giblin)

Resolution 114 of 2022

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Jacyna, Brown, Giblin, Walker, Meaney) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

The Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board requests that the Owners pass legislation to amend the 2022 Budget to increase the appropriations for the Insurance Recoveries – CNBAF line (J.42680.CNBAF) line by \$40,000 and adjust expense appropriations as follows.

Insurance Recovery - CNBAF	J.42680.CNBAF	\$40,000	(Increase)
Equipment Lease – CNBAF	J8130.54520.CNBAF	15,000	(increase)

Sludge & Waste Hauling - CNBAF	J8130.54804.CNBAF	25,000 (increase)
Building/Equipment Repair	J8130.54610	\$25,000 (increase)
Chemicals	J8130.54150	(25,000) (decrease)

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:28 pm.

Brittany Perkins
Village Clerk/Treasurer

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