

**VILLAGE OF TIVOLI BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 17, 2021**

A meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on November 17, 2021 at the Historic Watts DePeyster Hall, Tivoli, NY. Mayor Griffith opened the regular meeting at 7:02 PM.

Present: Mayor Griffith, Deputy Mayor Majer, Trustee Ezrati, Trustee Mangieri

Others Present: Christine Chale, Counsel

Public: Bill Schilling

Media: PANDA TV

The Mayor asked all present at the meeting to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk's report included:

- 462 Trash tags sold
- Two payrolls were processed by Village Treasurer, Bonnie Day
- Laura Gail Tyler continues to support the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals at their meetings
- The Clerk's Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 25-26, 2021 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Majer, seconded by Trustee Ezrati, the October 20 Regular Meeting Minutes were approved, all in favor.

On a motion by Trustee Ezrati, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Majer, the Treasurer's Report for Abstract #6 totaling \$311,181.27 was approved. Trustee Mangieri moved that the bills be paid for the abstract as presented, Trustee Ezrati seconded the motion, all in favor.

Zoning Report

Trustee Ezrati read the Zoning Report provided by Gary Beck of Z3 Consultants. Much going on, and Gary and his colleagues have been very busy.

Regular Business

On a motion made by Trustee Ezrati, seconded by Trustee Mangieri, all in favor, it was approved for the Village of Tivoli to return the tax roll of unpaid taxes to Dutchess County.

RESOLUTION Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the County of Dutchess for Sewer System Generator Project Through the Municipal Investment Grant Program; on a motion made by Trustee Ezrati, seconded by Deputy Mayor Majer; all in favor.

RESOLUTION Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the County of Dutchess for Village Hall Generator Project Through the Municipal Investment Grant Program; motion made by Deputy Mayor Majer, seconded by Trustee Mangieri; all in favor.

Trustee Reports:

Trustee Ezrati

Trustee Ezrati spoke about the firehouse expansion; the fire department is accepting donations for the expansion.

The LOSAP program has done exceptionally well with a 6% return since its inception.

Trustee Baldino

Court Report: In Trustee Baldino's absence, Mayor Griffith read the contents of the report which was provided by Court Clerk McGarry; \$745.00 was remitted to the Office of the State Comptroller.

Trustee Mangieri

Trustee Mangieri and Mayor Griffith shared information regarding the Climate Smart Community Program. It is an incentive program; municipalities have a ranking, and presently Tivoli is a Bronze. A municipality can earn points, and the Village will look to retain the Bronze Certification. There will be a Task Force of volunteers tackling some of the actions which need to be completed; they appreciate those that have joined in on the effort.

Deputy Mayor Majer

Keep your eye on the Tivoli Free Library website, there is always lots to do, and there will be upcoming holiday programming.

Clermont will be holding an event on November 27, from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Winterfest is set for Saturday, December 11, 2021. Save the date.

The Canoe Launch is now open, and there is a bench available.

Deputy Mayor Majer urged everyone to be careful as hunting season is open.

And, the 150th anniversary is upcoming, she is in the midst of some planning, get in touch with Deputy Mayor Majer if you wish to help.

Mayor Griffith

Mayor Griffith talked about the new memorial in Memorial Park at the north end for Dave "Buck" Marano. There is a plaque now on a large rock/boulder as a memoriam. There was a gathering for Dave; Mayor Griffith received a very touching card, and this man who was in his young 20's was always to be found in the park.

The shoreline stabilization project is still underway. This project is being completed to protect and secure 600 feet of the parcel on the waterfront. This is a DEC approved design, and 1 foot of topsoil will be placed as a cap on top to protect the soil. This project brings the Village 1 step closer to the public waterfront park.

The Mayor spoke of the TFD breakfast, and how it was a beautiful sunny day, a pleasant day, and how it was an event to raise funds for the expansion of the firehouse. The Tivoli Fire Company is fast growing and has approximately 26 interior firefighters, which in northern Dutchess County is unheard of. TFD, offers pancakes.....and more.

Public Comment

Bill Schilling offered his comments on Montgomery Street regarding the noise and rowdiness. He asked if anything is being done, or can be done. There has been quite a rough time period. Mayor Griffith commented on the 2015 laws regarding the increased penalties, and how he had studied other municipalities, which brought him to the Nuisance Gathering Law.

Also discussed was cars being parked the wrong way, and the poor attitudes he has witnessed of young people. Bill asked about police patrols and how often they come through. The complaints of noise, etc do appear to be seasonal, but he would like it to diminish. Mayor Griffith mentioned to call the deputies. The Village has tried many approaches to have young people/students become more involved in the Village, however, many do appear to have a "privileged" attitude.

Noise and parties do happen repeatedly; students use the shuttle to come to parties here in the Village, as there is no connection of anything to do on campus. Call the deputies, and the larger message is there should be more for students to do on campus.

Mayor Griffith spoke again about the backwards parking; the Village Board suggests calling deputies, the Dean's of Bard College, and that responsibility does also fall on landlords.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Majer and seconded by Trustee Mangieri, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM, all in favor. A Happy Thanksgiving was wished to all.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin L. Bruno
Village Clerk