

Present: Mayor William Peeler (Via Webex)
Trustees Tim Healey, Wally Boyd, Lynn Dumar
Clerk Treasurer Christine Kearns
Attorney Michael Albanese (Arrived at 6:35 pm)
Public John Mazzarella III – Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank, Winnie Blackwood
Reporter from the Recorder

Call to Order and Salute to Flag at 6:30 p.m All financial reports, written correspondence, minutes and Clerk-Treasurer reports distributed in Board packet of materials.

Correspondence: 4/16 NYS DOT – “Trash Blitz” April 23 remove litter from state-owned highways
4/22 G.E.M.S – 2019 CFA program assistance
4/29 NYS DOT – CHIPS funding amounts available
4/29 NYMIR – Playground Inspection/Maintenance Seminar
5/6 Montgomery County Assessor – 10 E Main St Value
5/6 Montgomery County Treasurer – Sales Tax Disbursement
5/9 Montgomery County Treasurer – Mortgage Tax Disbursement

Public: John Mazzarella III from Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank – Discuss how the land bank works with municipalities to help combat blight by either fixing up properties or demolishing a property; Purchased 13 Lower Prospect St in Fonda, begun cleaning out the house, have gone out to bid for demolition of garage with May 30th deadline for bids, garage has partially collapsed.

John Mazzarella III left meeting at 6:45 pm

Minutes from Previous Meeting(s):

April 8 Regular Meeting Motion to approve as written Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Boyd with all in favor

Mayor Report: Phase 3 Waterfront grant – Contacted companies for material donations and monetary donations to apply towards matching funds; Looking into future grants and needs in the village such as flood mitigation, Main St Block grants, Engineering for future campground; Block grants homeowners share in the cost, no cost borne by village; LED conversion – National Grid looking at 250 watt lighting on Main St, possibly to high of a wattage, lower wattages on side streets; Village Wide Garage Sale – posters placed at various businesses, nothing to be held at the park; Memorial Day Parade – Invitations have been sent, receiving responses from Judges and Senators, receiving responses from various organizations for participation in parade; After the 4th – Need to get sponsors, Liberty band Flame will be performing, Fireworks amount is still to be determined, possible new company for bounce houses, Trustee Boyd is arranging a car show, Possible ribbon cutting for waterfront park.

Resolution #21-2019 Support for the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Boyd

WHEREAS, the New York State Land Bank Act, Article 16 of the New York Not For Profit Corporation Law permits local governments entities to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to establish a land bank; and

WHEREAS, the Counties of Herkimer, Montgomery, Otsego, and Schoharie, as well as the City of Rome and the City of Utica – all Foreclosing Governmental Units (FGUs) – have entered into partnership with the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank and are receiving the benefits of that partnership; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank is eager to work with municipalities in each FGU, including the Village of Fonda in the County of Montgomery to better understand each community’s needs regarding difficult properties; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank only works in those communities that have chosen to partner with it; and

WHEREAS, such partnership will, over time, foster the redevelopment of blighted properties by returning them to productive use in order to strengthen the local economy, improve quality of life, and improve the financial condition of the municipalities,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Fonda, Montgomery County, New York, does hereby endorse the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank and expresses its desire to enter into conversations with the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank to discover mutually beneficial elements of collaboration between the two parties.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #22-2019 Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank Property Tax Allocation

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar

WHEREAS, the New York State Land Bank Act of the New York State Nonprofit Law, 1610 (c) states the following:

"Upon the adoption of a local law, ordinance, or resolution by a municipality, school district, or any taxing district, fifty percent to the real property taxes collected on any specific parcel of real property identified by such municipality, school district, or any taxing jurisdiction may be remitted to the land bank, in accordance with procedures established by regulations promulgated by the department of taxation and finance. Such allocation of real property tax revenues shall commence with the first taxable year following the date of conveyance and shall continue for a period of five years"; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank (GMVLB) includes Herkimer, Montgomery, Otsego, and Schoharie Counties and the Cities of Rome and Utica; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda is committed to the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank's efforts to reduce blighted properties in the Village of Fonda and throughout the greater Mohawk Valley region;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village of Fonda that fifty percent of the Village of Fonda real property taxes on properties located with the Village of Fonda purchased from the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank be remitted to the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank. Such allocation of real property revenues shall commence with the first taxable year following the date of conveyance and shall continue for a period of five years. This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Village of Fonda.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of the resolution shall be forwarded to the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #23-2019 Amendment #2 For Financial And Grant Administration Services With KB Group Of NY, Inc. Dba Prime AE Group Of NY 2017 EFC CWSRF Project #C4-5294-01-00 Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Grant

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey

Whereas, the Village of Fonda and KB Group of NY, Inc. dba Prime AE Group of NY, collectively referred to as "Parties", have entered into an Agreement dated June 22, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") for KB Group to provide engineering services; and

Whereas, KB Group provided the Village of Fonda a proposal dated June 22, 2017 for engineering services for the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements for a fee of \$96,157.00 ("Project"); and

Whereas, KB Group provided the Village of Fonda an Amendment #1 dated March 6, 2019 for financial and grant administration services for the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements for and additional fee of \$17,278.00 for a total not to exceed fee of \$113,435.00 and no increase in overall project cost ("Project");

Whereas, the Parties hereby further agree to amend the said Agreement as follows:

The Village of Fonda has requested additional services for the Project and agrees to increase the not to exceed fee for KB Group from \$113,435.00 to include additional services in the amount of \$34,400.00 for a total not to exceed fee of \$147,835.00 and no increase in overall total project cost;

KB Group agrees to provide additional services for the Project as follow:
Jet clean, Television, and dye test sanitary sewer main services for \$34,400.00 with no increase in overall total project cost.

Now Therefore, Be it Resolved that The Village Board of the Village of Fonda does hereby authorize an amendment #2 to the agreement with KB Group to provide Financial and grant administration services for the 2017 EFC CWSRF Project #C4-5294-01-00 Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Grant

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #24-2019: Authorization to sign Agreement Modification #2 with KB Group of NY, Inc.

Offered by Mayor Peeler, second by Trustee Boyd

To authorize Mayor Peeler and/or Deputy Mayor Healey to sign the Agreement Modification #2 with KB Group of NY, Inc. for additional services for the 2017 EFC CWSRF Project #C4-5294-01-00 Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Grant.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #25-2019 Transfers needed for payment of Abstract #12

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Boyd

To:

General Fund:

A8170.101 Street Clean Labor PS \$200.00
A3620.4 Bldg - Fire Code CE 80.00

From:

A8170.402 Street Clean Fuel CE \$200.00
A3620.1 Bldg -Fire Code PS 80.00

Water Fund:

FX8330.405 Heating Oil 300.00
FX8340.405 Postage 55.00

FX8330.405 Generator CE 300.00
FX8330.410 Purif Postage 55.00

Sewer Fund:

G8110.401 Sewer billing postage 50.00

G8110.402 Mt Co Billing CE 50.00

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #26-2019 June 1, 2019 wage rates as follows:

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar

NAME	wages/salary on 6/1/2019
Street & Water Commissioner	\$53,365.00 annual
Plant Operator	\$19.68/hr
Laborer #1	\$17.04/hr
Laborer #2	\$14.70/hr
Clerk Treasurer	\$26,740.00 annual
Deputy Clerk Treasurer	\$21.42/hr
Code Enforcer	\$20.00/hr

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #27-2019 Employees Health Insurance

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar

To approve MVP Gold 4 option with Benetech Inc. for the health insurance for employees beginning June 1, 2019; employees to continue to contribute 20% of cost via payroll deduction.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #28-2019 Amend 2019-2020 Village of Fonda Permits and Fees

Offered by Mayor Peeler, second by Trustee Boyd

To add the following to the Schedule of Permits and Fees for the fiscal year 2019 -2020 previously omitted:

Change of Occupancy \$100.00

Certificate of Occupancy Issued \$50.00

General Structural Alterations \$25.00

New Water Service to Outside Village Users – Deposit held for one year \$200.00 (Returnable after one year if unpaid account balance is \$0.00)

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Resolution #29-2019 Amend 2018-2019 General Fund Budget

Offered by Mayor Peeler, second by Trustee Healey

To amend the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 General Fund Budget to increase revenue Transfer from Reserves - Park and Waterfront Reserve and expense account A1440.400 Engineering Consultants – C/E by \$10,720.00

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Boyd	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Wellman				X
Trustee Healey	X			

Street & Water Commissioner Report: None

Mayor Peeler – Will be having a meeting with Prime Engineering and Josh Hunn from NYS DOS regarding Phase III Waterfront Grant, State grant covers benches, bike racks, BBQ, memorial, parking lot, and stage, Canal Corp grant covers boat ramp and parking lot, Canal Corp permit needs to be updated, still waiting on Army Corps of Engineers permit

Sewer Plant Report: Written, attached

Clerk-Treasurer Report: Written, attached

Code Enforcer Report: Written, attached

Trustees Report: Trustee Healey – NYS DEC visited the sewer plant, Asked DEC about the area behind the plant were yard debris is deposited by the Village of Fultonville, DEC officer stated that it is not wetlands but plastic bags containing leaves need to be emptied and removed; Will possibly be writing a letter to the Montgomery County Fair Board regarding a hose that is across the sewer plant access road during the day.

Audit of Bills: pre-approved, by Motion Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar, with all in favor

	General	Water	Sewer	Total
Pay #1 4/12	3,233.73	3,675.90	97.95	7,007.58
FFJWWTF Bills			15,395.38	15,395.38
Pay #2 4/26	3,859.05	3,479.40	97.95	7,436.40
Spectrum	246.13			246.13
National Grid		210.86		210.86
ss med eft 4/30	542.60	547.38	15.00	1,104.98
MVP	2,202.19	2,202.18		4,404.37
National Grid	572.82	1,210.40		1,783.22
Pay #1 5/10	4,425.28	3,548.66	97.95	8,071.89

Abstract #12 Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Boyd, with all in favor

General	Water	Sewer	Total
28,155.88	13,761.58	59.15	41,976.61

Motion to enter Executive Session for discussion of litigation by Mayor Peeler, second by Trustee Dumar with all in favor at 8:25 pm

Motion to end Executive Session and return to open meeting by Trustee Dumar, second by Mayor Peeler, with all in favor at 9:08 pm

Code Enforcer Waddle left meeting at 9:02 pm

Actions per Executive Session:

Motion by Trustee Boyd, second by Trustee Healey, Trustee Dumar in favor, Mayor Peeler abstained to prepare an invoice for Water/Sewer Account # 212, 5 Midway Alley for \$500.00 for unmetered water use. Send letter with invoice stating if not paid we will pursue legal action

FFJWWTF Bills: Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Boyd to approve the payment of bills for the FFJWWTP

Sewer
\$12,060.61

Next meeting(s): Regular Monthly Meeting: Monday, June 10, 2019, 6:30 pm

Adjournment: Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Boyd with all in favor at 9:37 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kearns
Clerk Treasurer