



Village of Fonda August 17, 2020: Regular Monthly Meeting Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Village Office 8 E Main St. Fonda, NY 12068

**Present:**

Mayor	William Peeler
Trustees	Tim Healey; Kimberly Flander, Lynn Dumar present Randy Wellman absent
Street/Water Commissioner	Chris Weaver
Deputy Clerk Treasurer	JoAnn Downing
Attorney	Michael Albanese
Code Enforcer	Stan Waddle

6:46 pm; Call to Order No one from the public was allowed to attend based on COVID19 regulations and site accommodations.

**Minutes from Previous Meeting(s):** June Regular Meeting -**Motion** to approve as printed: by Trustee Flander, second by Trustee Healey-all AYES Motion passed

**Correspondence:** copies sent to Board members via email

6/4/2020: email to Mayor shared with all; open playground to public Mayor will compose a response citing COVID restrictions and public safety (no way to ensure sanitized playground equipment at all times)

7/8 J Ford letter: construction on Center St-for the record

6/15/2020: MVP Notice of proposed rate change for 2021

6/19/2020 Approval of last fiscal year bills rec'd in June

6/15/2020 Mr. Ding-a-Ling permit request; Code Officer Waddle to ask for copy of sanitation measures that are on file with NYS; permit approved w/conditions met

6/26/2020 NYCOM lobby reform; N/A to village

6/30/2020 F.O.N.D.A. thank you

7/10 email Tonya Bogenshutz-sidewalk installation questions; Stan and Chris will inform her of sidewalk requirements

**Trustee reports: Trustee Healey:** suggested Melissa Zanella of 76 E Main Street member of FFJWWTF-Motion to approve by Trustee Healey, second by Trustee Flander with all in favor with condition that current members remain for a short time to allow both new members to be acclimated; presented condition of roadway to sewer plant via photos-discussion held, a letter will be sent to Fair Board asking for a meeting to discuss and resolve with photos included showing road conditions; a complaint on MHA residents of 6 Montgomery Terrace-a letter will be sent to MHA informing them of complaint received; inquired on status of donations received for After the 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks which were cancelled by NYS Administration-donors will be sent an explanation letter from Mayor with thanks and hope for a future event some time in fall. **Trustee Flander:** reported she has received complaints from residents of E Main regarding no flower baskets, holiday lights, banners or flags. Mayor explained these are planned for the future as interim decision by Board to focus beautification efforts at the business section of Main Street as a start.

**Mayor's Report:** Presented a screenshot of the NYCOM bulletin of their suggested **update to Discrimination-Harassment Policy**; update includes that all contractors performing work for the village are to receive a copy of the policy with a signed acknowledgement of receipt of same to remain on file with Village; Motion to adopt as presented offered by Mayor Peeler, second by Trustee Healey with all voting in favor, effective date July 20, 2020; motion passed.

**Posted to Village website new NYS COVID-19 response requirements** for returning or visiting from out of state residents mandatory 14 day quarantine; reported on construction complaints received; suggested when Lower Prospect St area construction is to begin to ask both churches for permission to use their parking lots with Chris to distribute letters indicating same. **Reported on water quality complaints** due to dry weather along and construction projects. **No response from NYS** regarding waterfront bids and possibility of alterations to meet funding allotments.

**S\*W Commissioner Report:** dirt piles at Park to be leveled tomorrow; banners removed and stored in garage; waiting on DOT for waterline repair-replace on NYS Hwy 334; air dryer purchased and installed at water plant; water and sewer lines installed at Canal-still need to tap water at flat; mowing and trimming; conferred with Matt L of Prime Engineering on Ross valve in re water grant project; final connection to be made at Barber Street-Center Street, next phase will be Lower Prospect Street; all paving will take place after Lower Prospect St is done.

**Clerk-Treasurer Report:** Written, attached **Water-sewer Account 343 unpaid situation to be discussed, copy of Res15-2014 attached**



**Building and Fire Code Officer Report** · written, attached. Suggested a sign board at the Park depicting project details. Mayor asked Chris to reinstall the informative banner. Short discussion on Cemetery St as detour for closed Switzer Hill Road

Permits Issued: 5

Residential: 5

1- Pool

1- Extend Prev. Building Permit

1- Pool Fencing Replacement

1- New Heating Device

1- Porch Repair

Other:

Commercial:

Certificates of Occupancy/Completion Issued:

**DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY:**

1. Haven of Hope constructing Little Haven Child Care Center, Update: Project on hold. Will remove from list till new updates. Uncertain times has put it on hold.
2. Land Bank 13 Lower Prospect. No new information to date.
3. 30 West Main St. Site Visit 10 am, Tuesday, July 14. Will update after visit.

**On Going Projects:**

1. Mancini- 5 Midway Alley, Fonda. Sending letter to address update of situation.
2. Registry of Rental Properties letters and Forms are being sent out by mail. Inspection of those properties are on hold due to Coronavirus COVID-19. Following up on non-responses.
3. Reviewing the changes of new NYS Building and Energy codes and if affect the current Village of Fonda Codes. Any changes and / or suggestions the Village of Fonda officers and Board members may like to see in the next revision, please forward copies to the Building Code Official, Stan.
4. Blight issues. Letters are being sent out for current Blight properties.
5. Update on the Grist Mill. Karen Chaplin, last known trying to get Amish to do the work.
6. Update - Village of Fonda Phone Voice Answering System being reprogrammed due to possible software reset.
7. Michael Gualano purchased the Italian Oven building (next to NBT Bank drive thru) and wishes to reopen it in the future. Working now with the Department of Health and Village of Fonda to get it open. Mr. Gualano would like to make a presentation at the August Village Board meeting of his business plan and get feedback and answer questions from the officers and Trustees. His intent is to pattern it very much like when it was Sorrenti's *Pizzeria & Restaurant*.

**Audit of Bills: pre-approved**, by Motion Mayor Peeler 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Healey with all voting AYE, no NAY

Abstract #1 New Year	4,436.12			4,436.12
Abstract #13 OLD				
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>9,379.65</b>	<b>13,087.69</b>		<b>22,467.34</b>
Pay #2 6/21	8,815.18	3,680.04	71.56	12,566.78
More End of 2020 bills	855.71	983.77	5,180.24	7,019.72
National Grid		21.02		21.02
ss med eft 6/30	953.84	551.92	5.47	1,511.24
MVP	2,132.83			2,132.83
Spectrum	247.61			247.61
FFJWWTP 1st qtr O*M			50,225.00	50,225.00
National Grid		1,918.18		1,918.18
Pay #1 7/3	3,606.00	3,199.65		6,805.65

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**Abstract 2**                      4,349.22              7,428.08                      11,777.30

Add 2 more invoices: Unifrst uniforms July and Weaver Sanitation-July for approval (not included in above totals) General Fund

**Executive session called by Mayor Peeler, second** by Trustee Healey **at 8:44 pm** Reason: Litigation; personnel  
**Motion out** of Executive Session by Mayor Peeler, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Healey at 9:17 pm.

**Motion for Resolution #11-2020/2021** by Mayor Peeler, second by Trustee Healey amending Resolution #15-2014 for terms regarding water-sewer services to 118 Wemple Avenue, summarized as follows:

\$1218.25 to be paid in full within 15 days or permanent disconnection from utilities; provide an additional \$1500.00 within 30 days to be kept on deposit with Village; non-compliance will result in permanent disconnection from services, to be completed within 30 days; 60 days notice from today to be given to residents on premise; Codes Officer to inform DSS and NYS DOH of situation. Code Officer and Street and Water Commissioner to be provided terms of resolution.

The resolution was put to vote and adopted as follows:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Flander	X			
Trustee Dumar				X
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman				X

**Table the motion to approve appointment of Jim Park as FFJWWTF Chairman.**

**Next Meeting(s): Regular Monthly Meeting-Monday, August 10, 2020 6:30 pm via zoom**

**Adjournment: Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all voting in favor at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Downing  
Deputy Village Clerk-Treasurer