Village of Tupper Lake
Board of Trustees
Minutes

Date:	Wednesday, November 20, 2019
Location:	Board Room
Meeting:	Regular Monthly 6:00-7:16 PM

At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held this date, the following were present: Mayor Paul A. Maroun, Trustees Leon LeBlanc, David Maroun, Ronald LaScala, Clint Hollingsworth and Village Clerk/Treasurer Mary A. Casagrain.

Also present were Electric Superintendent Michael Dominie, Police Chief Eric Proulx, Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard, Department of Public Works Superintendent Robert Degrace, Fire Chief Royce Cole, Tupper Lake Central School Students Cassidy Kentile, Jenna Leonard, Dawson Walton, David McMahon, Empire League Organizer Ed Gonzalez and Atlanta Braves Ball Player Matt Joyce, residents Kevin Hamilton, James Lanthier, Jed Dukette and News Reporters Dan McClelland and Aaron Cerbone.

Call Regular Meeting To Order and Agenda Established

Mayor Maroun called the Regular Meeting to order and established the agenda at 6:00 pm.

Pledge & Moment Of Silence

Pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence and prayer for the safe return of missing teen Colin Gillis.

Open Comment Period:
James Lanthier
Walkway Lighting

Mr. James Lanthier asked about the Town of Tupper Lake's Walkway Lighting and if we had an update.

Electric Superintendent Michael Dominie advised that we have ordered all new LED lighting for the walkway and the Town of Tupper Lake has committed to paying for the new lighting repairs. When time permits and weather our Electric Department will replace all the lighting fixtures.

Kevin Hamilton

Mr. Kevin Hamilton a new resident to the community commented that Tupper Lake has a lot to offer its residents and he is happy to see all the good things going on for our community.

Special Guests
Ed Gonzalez &
Matt Joyce

Trustee David Maroun took a moment to introduce the Empire League Organizer Mr. Ed Gonzalez and Atlanta Braves Ball Player Mr. Matt Joyce who will be instrumental in helping to organize a ball league here called the "River Pigs."

Trustee Maroun added that he has a volunteer group made up of himself, Jay Skiff, Ricky Skiff, Ronald LaScala, Jed Dukette and Royce Cole. They were successful in putting sod to the infield, constructing the dugouts and they are working on the fencing.

Mr. Ed Gonzalez thanked the Village for inviting him here tonight and that thanks to communities like ours he will be able to offer the tools to advance a local athlete to advanced sports and he is happy to be here.

Jan Yaworski Reappointed Planning Board 5-Year Term	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to reappoint Ms. Jan Yaworski to a five (5) year term on the Village/Town Joint Planning Board. (Carried 5-0)
MOU – ARISE NYS DOS LWRP Grant Matching Funds	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to authorize Mayor Maroun to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with ARISE for the purpose of accepting a matching funds on our C1000656 EPF Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Grant Multi-Use Trail Heritage Signage Project as presented. (Carried 5-0)
12th Annual Chad Martin Tree Lighting Ceremony 11/30	It was noted that the 12th Annual Chad Martin Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on Saturday, November 30, 2019 at 5: pm at the intersection of Mill Street and Park Streets, all are welcomed.
Board Minutes Approved	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the board minutes from October 16, 2019 and November 19, 2019's meetings respectively. (Carried 5-0)
Code Enforcement: Accept October Monthly Report	Motion by Trustee LaScala seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the October 2019 Monthly Code Report as presented. (Carried 5-0)
Smoke & CO2 Battery Reminder	As a courtesy reminder Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards reminded residents that they should check the batteries in their Smoke and CO2 detectors as the winter season begins.
Zoning Code Update	Trustee Hollingsworth advised that the Zoning Code Update Committee met earlier today and a drafted code has been prepared and will be sent to the Village/Town Planning Board and the respective Village and Town boards for their review. Each board can then elect to hold a public hearing for public comment if they so choose too.
Remsen-Lake Placid Rail Trail Public Hearing	Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards advised that there will be a public hearing held in Tupper Lake December 3, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Tupper Lake Central School Auditorium and in Lake Placid on December 4, 2019 at 6:00 pm at ORDA concerning the proposed Remsen-Lake Placid Rail Trail Project.
Police: Accept October Monthly Report	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the October 2019 Monthly Police Report for the Village and Town of Tupper Lake. (Carried 5-0)
Officer Connor Hesseltine Resigns	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to formally accept the resignation of Police Officer Connor Hesseltine effective November 13, 2019. He has accepted a position with the Village of Malone which is closer to his family home. (Carried 5-0)

Public Hearing For Handicap Parking Space Changes Set	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to set a public hearing for December 18, 2019 at 6:00 pm to receive comments concerning the proposed changes. (Carried 5-0)
Entrance Speed Signs Installed	Police Chief Eric Proulx advised that the three entrance speed signs are installed and operations.
Police Car Arriving Soon	Police Chief Eric Proulx advised that his new police car will be arriving sometime next week.
Fire: Accept November Monthly Report	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the November 2019 Monthly Fire Report. (Carried 5-0)
Emergency Fire Truck Purchase Santa Clara	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to purchase a used 1999 Pierce Fire Truck from the Keene Fire District for placement at the Santa Clara Substation. The purchase price is $45,000 and will be funded from our truck reserve. The vehicle that is currently there did not pass pump test and needs to be taken out of service as soon as possible. (Carried 5-0)
ESB Message Sign Installed	Police Chief Royce Cole advised that the ESB Message Sign has been installed and operational in front of the Police/Fire Building. He mentioned a special thanks to the Electric and Department of Public Works for all their hard work completing the installation.
DPW: Miscellaneous Updates	Department of Public Works Superintendent Robert Degrace advised the board that his department is finishing a few jobs in preparation of winter operations.
Sander Replacement State Contract Purchase	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to authorize the replacement of their sander off state contract (NJPA) with a delivery for June 2020 or after and first payment wouldn't be until June 2021. (Carried 5-0)
W/WW: HydroSource Proposal Approval	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to authorize a proposal from HydroSource Associates for the preliminary well drilling/testing/sampling for an additional well development as quoted in his November 13, 2019 scope of services proposal to the Village Board. (Carried 5-0)
North Country Contractors Change Order NYS Route 3 Loop	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to formally ratify a Change Order No. 1-9 with North Country Contractors in the amount of an increase of $77,500.00 to add an 8" water main to loop/connect NYS Route 3 to McLaughlin Avenue Mains. To be funded from the Water Operations Budget. (Carried 5-0)

Water Meter – Hot Water Tank Check Valve Issues	Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard advised the board that he has had a few issues with homeowner's hot water tank release valve's releasing water after the new water meter had been installed by VEPO. To alleviate the problem the water department will be removing the check valves until it can be resolved.
Electric:	
Murnane Change Order No. 10 & 11 Burns Change Order No. 3	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to formally approve change orders for the Municipal Electric Garage Project with Murnane GC-10 for a decrease of $953.43for modifications of door hardware and GC-11 for an increase of $20,310.60 for mechanics bay entrance. In addition formally approve change orders with Burns PC-3 for a decrease of $865.00 for removal of plumbing fixtures. (Carried 5-0)
NYPA Report FY5/31/19	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to formally approve the Fiscal Year End may 31, 2019 New York Power Authority Report for the Municipal Electric Department. (Carried 5-0)
Write Off Deceased Customer Balance	Motion by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to write off a balance in the amount of $10.58 for a deceased customer. (Carried 5-0)
Bucket Truck Replacement Discussion & Approval NYPA Financing	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee Maroun to formally proceed with the replacement of a bucket truck through financing with the NYPA for a zero percent interest. The truck will be a partial hybrid unit; once specifications are finalized it will be presented to the NYPA for approval and then ordered. Delivery is expected 12-18 months from now. (Carried 5-0)
Walkway Lighting Fixtures Replacement	Electric Superintendent Michael Dominie advised that the lighting fixtures will replace the high pressure sodium light bulbs with LED lighting.
Treasurer:	
Approve Warrant	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the November 20, 2019 warrant in the amount of $1,101,257.43 for payment of the bills and abstracts for the month of October 2019. (Carried 5-0)
NYS Comptroller's Report	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to formally approve the Fiscal Year End May 31, 2019 NYS Comptroller's Annual Financial Report Update Document for all the Village of Tupper Lake funds. (Carried 5-0)
Review Cash Position	Review the monthly cash position for October 31, 2019.
Into Executive Session	Motion by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee LaScala to enter Executive Session at 6:45 pm for the purpose of discussing the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. Also to discuss the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property. (Carried 5-0)

Exit Executive Session	Motion by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee LaScala to exit Executive Session at 7:15 pm. (Carried 5-0)
9 Water Street Vacant Land Sale	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to formally sell a portion of the Village of Tupper Lake's Water Street property adjacent to Gerard & Christine Eller's' home located at 9 Water Street for a Fair Market Value of $1,000.00 since it no longer serves any municipal purpose and is surplus land. Mr. & Mrs. Gerard Ellers' will be responsible for all surveying and legal expenses to procure the property and it will be a boundary line adjustment for them. (Carried 5-0)
Volunteer Fire Department Member Appointed Leonard Clement	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to formally approve membership to the Volunteer Fire Department for Mr. Leonard Clement. (Carried 5-0)
Adjournment	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to adjourn at 7:16 pm. (Carried 5-0)

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Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk/Treasurer