

## Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board

Meeting of January 6, 2021

This meeting was cancelled by Shirley Rice due to the increase of active cases of Covid 19 in the Town of Sandy Creek.

**Treasurer's Report:** Money Market balance: \$2,356.39 (12/31/20 statement). \$5,000 was transferred to the checking account. Checking balance: \$4,053.06. Expenditures the past month were: Check #3312 to Pat McCullough for \$438.66 (net salary), Checks #3313 - 3320 to PB members and one alternate for \$92.35 each (net salaries). \$195.08 was deducted from the account for EFTPS (January payroll).

### **Meeting Reports:**

**Village of Sandy Creek 12/7/20 (from Minutes):** The Mayor opened the one and only bid for snow removal for the winter season of 2020/2021. The village signed that contract with Guile and Son, LLC for \$5,900.00. This was the annual organizational meeting with the usual appointments and resolutions made. **REPORTS:** **LEGISLATOR:** The county legislature is back doing virtual meetings due to the continuation of the pandemic. They are still working on the 2021 budget and there should not be a tax increase, the hiring and purchasing freeze is still in place. Cuts in funding from New York State are still unknown. **CEO:** CEO Howland submitted his monthly report which showed that he had issued two building permits and one site plan amendment during November. There are at least 20 streetlights out and he offered to turn a list in to National Grid. **CORRESPONDENCE:** The deputy county treasurer informed the village that the county is not allowed to re-levy the \$803.35 mowing charge for the Penelope Corbett property that is attached to her unpaid village tax. An email was received from Michelle Leroux, Risk Control Specialist from NYMIR. She met with Mayor Miller and Clerk/Treasurer Mattison on November 30 to discuss risk areas around the village and to village owned or leased properties. Her email stated that "we are pleased to advise there are no recommendations at this time". **NEW BUSINESS:** The fire contract between the Village and Town of Sandy Creek in the sum of \$157,000 was signed. The annual Williamson Law Book Company software support contract for municipal accounting and budget preparation was signed. An Agreement between the Village and Harold Brown was signed. This Agreement states that Mr. Brown is hired as an Independent Contractor for miscellaneous various tasks such as meter reading and for the rental of his backhoe, brush hog and dump truck.

**Village of Lacona 12/14/20 (from Minutes):** **REPORTS:** **LFD:** New LED handheld lights were purchased and installed in 1351, 1321, and 1371. A \$500 donation was made from the Wilbur Wilcox Fund to the Redfield Volunteer FD for the late John Yerdon. McKenzie King finished the EMT course. **CEO:** Howland stated that he has given Travis Balcom a site plan application. **LEGISLATOR:** The 2021 County Budget was passed on 12/12. The 2021 tax rate will be \$7.49/\$1000 based on 100% assessment. The county will stop contracting their purchasing from Onondaga County and set up their own purchasing department. This will save money and be more effective. **NEW BUSINESS:** A public hearing will be held on January 11, 2021 at 7:00 PM to hear and take comments on proposed Local Law #1 of 2021, a local law abolishing residency requirements for Village Appointed Officials. The clerk/treasurer was directed to put an ad in the paper for a part-time clerk/treasurer.

**Town of Sandy Creek 12/9/20 (from Minutes):** **REPORTS:** **Sole Assessor-** Rebecca Trudell and her clerk are doing road work when the weather permits. Agricultural exemption renewal notices were mailed.

**Board of Appeals** – A public hearing was held tonight regarding variance application #20-109 by Jeffery, Charles, and Patrick Cochrane and Aimee Van Wie of Co Rt 15 (027.00-03-02.12). They want to sub-

divide one lot into three lots, resulting in lots that do not meet the minimum lot size local law. The B of A granted this variance. Highway/Water Superintendent – Zenner USA has been here installing transmitters. They will provide training for the clerks before spring. WD Malone will need to repair and maintain the dirt roads that they have worked on until final restoration is complete. There can be no work on NYS roads during the snow plowing season. Historian - Mrs. Rice created a new SCCS display and she is expanding the World War I and World War II displays. NOCA - The number of calls and revenue have increased. Two employees were exposed to Covid while off duty. The ambulances are decontaminated after each Covid call. CEO – It is a record year for building permits with 112 issued so far. Town Clerk – A State Liquor Authority 30-day Advance Notice was received from Pond Pit LLC for a new application for a liquor, wine, beer and cider license at 8883 St Rt 3. Engineers – The number of calls and revenue have increased. Two employees were exposed to Covid while off duty. The ambulances are decontaminated after each Covid call. CEO – It is a record year for building permits with 112 issued so far. Town Clerk – A State Liquor Authority 30-day Advance Notice was received from Pond Pit LLC for a new application for a liquor, wine, beer and cider license at 8883 St Rt 3. Engineers – The proposed sewer project received funding through REDI. The town asked for public input twice through interest surveys. The majority of those that responded to the survey were not in favor of public sewer. Several residents were present to express opposition to a public sewer project. The TB agreed to stop work on the proposed public sewer project at this time. Water District #3 construction has been underway for about five months now. Approximately 53,000 feet of pipe, over 10 miles has been installed. This is 36% of the entire project. **OLD BUSINESS:** The TB agreed to pursue public drinking water for those in Water District #3 and the CEHA area at a maximum cost of \$1,000. **NEW BUSINESS:** The TB authorized a budget modification on the water project, approved the Williamson Software Support contract and reappointed Pat Machemer to the PB for a 3-year term beginning 01/01/2021 and expiring 12/31/2023. The position of Attorney-for-the-Town was discussed. The Town Board is looking into available candidates for appointment at the organizational meeting in January. A list of outstanding attorney work for the water project should be compiled.

**12/30/20:** The Town Board suspends all meetings and duties of the Water Advisory Committee until further notice. The Attorney-for-the-Town position was discussed. The quote for labor and materials from Jason Vickery for electrical work on the bottom floor of the Town Hall totaling \$475.00 was accepted. The fire protection agreement with the Villages of Lacona and Sandy Creek for 2021 was approved. The regular meeting schedule for 2021 and the updated Town of Sandy Creek Building Fee Schedule were approved. All Town appointed officials will remain in their respective offices until the organizational meeting on January 13, 2021. Year- end bills were approved for payment.