

VILLAGE OF SAVONA

15 McCoy Street
Savona, NY 14879

MAYOR - Brian C. Scott

TRUSTEES - Mary Finch
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Minutes for September 13, 2021

The Village of Savona Board of Trustees held special meeting on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall at 15 McCoy Street, Savona.

PRESENT: Mayor Brian Scott
Trustee Mary Finch
Trustee Carl Peter's, Jr.
Trustee Tina Carson
Trustee Chris McCann
Clerk Susan Thorne
Treasurer Tammie Nelson

ABSENT: Elizabeth Oklevitch

OTHERS PRESENT: No other speakers

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott at 6:03 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Mayor Scott.

NEW BUSINESS:

Finances -

Mayor Scott called this meeting to discuss possibly getting a loan to pay for the following items that need to be purchased and/or repaired. We will not vote on this till our monthly meeting on September 27, 2021. He would like the Board of Trustees to really think about everything we talk about and come back with questions.

1. Fire Department Radios
*\$47,429.45 (Not including Upgrade)
*\$22,500.00 (Includes 2021-2022 Budget)

Mayor Scott and Treasurer Tammie Nelson met with representatives from the Fire Department, Carl Peters, Jr., Jody Graham, Carl Overhiser and Scott Phenes to discuss what the Fire Department needs were.

They will need the radios by the end of October, 2021 to go live. Fire Department would put in \$5,500.00 a year to help with the costs. Looking to be on broad ban system. Need \$24,929.45 but Motorola has a refund/rebate so cost could decrease. They are not asking for anything they don't need and no frills, bare minimum.

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2. **Mower** – Current mower was bought in 2010 and needs to be repaired. Mayor Scott took to get repaired and was \$490.00. However, the repairman stated the power take off is very low and would need more work done on it. The repairman suggested buying a new mower, that current mower is going to keep needing work. He does sell mowers, cost around \$250.00. Mayor Scott doesn't want to buy new but would like to try to buy a John Deere or Ferris, they last longer, better made.
3. **Exterior Back Doors** – Need sandblasting and painted.
4. **Handicapped Ramp** – Needs to be fixed or replaced before Election Day in November 2021. Mayor Scott spoke to "Everything Medical" suggested aluminum handicapped walkway, and it would last 50 years. Mayor Scott stated this way boards wouldn't have to be replaced every year and cost less in the long run. Mayor Scott would like to see the walkway extend from door to door in back but go around the corner towards the driveway. It would be easier for those whom are handicapped get into the building.
5. **Painting** – The exterior of the Village Hall including the trim needs painting along with the inside. Painting is needed in the meeting room including the ceiling, ceilings in hallways and ceilings in Code Enforcement office. The Village Hall hasn't been painted since the 1970's. The painting can wait till next spring.
6. **Village Truck** – Needs to be replaced. It would be around \$30,000.00. They keep repairing it and it is costing more than it is worth. Should replace in a year, could place in budget for next year.
7. **Desk in Clerk's Office** – Currently no space for them to work at desks. There is a small table between the desks.
8. **Picnic Tables** – Need at least 3 of the picnic tables replaced before next season. It would cost more if someone gets hurt sitting on them if we don't replace them.
9. **Bathrooms in Village Hall** – Need to replace the vanity's, sinks, faucets/handles, and toilets. It has been since 1970's since anything has been done to the bathrooms.
10. **Repair Village Hall Eaves** – They are leaking and need to be repaired.
11. **Boiler in Village Hall** – Doug Kapral, Water Director has ordered a new boiler for the Village Hall. Total with labor - \$14,070.58.

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Mayor Scott stated that with all of the above it would be about \$95,000.00. If we take out the truck, we would then need around \$65,000.00 to do all of the above. He also stated that he spoke with Scott at Sprague Insurance about Workers Compensation, and got our insurance decreased by a \$1,000.00 for 2022 and another decrease of \$1,000.00 in 2023.

Mayor Scott asked the Trustee's to see if there is anything on the list that we don't want. Trustee Carson asked if anything else we need and ask for a larger loan. Tammie will look into what the finances would be for a \$80,000.00 loan. Tammie suggested a new air conditioner.

Tammie explained how the loan would work and also create a Building Maintenance Budget.

We also have the auditors still working on our finances as well. They have done as far as 2015.

Mayor Scott mentioned that the water bills need to be increased. They have not been raised in 12 years. We will increase but at a small amount each year. Also, when COVID is over, the people who have not paid their bills will be expected to pay back their debt.

We have hired Candace Balmer from Albany to work on this. She will be working full time starting first week in October, on Village water EDU's, Debt Service. This is a free service.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Trustee McCann and seconded by Trustee Peters, Jr., and carried, all voting AYE to adjourn the Special Board Meeting at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Mayor Scott	AYE	
	Trustee Finch	AYE	
	Trustee Peters, Jr.		ABSENT
	Trustee Carson	AYE	
	Trustee McCann	AYE	

Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Thorne
Village Clerk