

VILLAGE OF SAVONA

15 McCoy Street
Savona, NY 14879

MAYOR – Brian C. Scott

TRUSTEES – Mary Finch
Tina Carson
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Minutes for September 27, 2021

The Village of Savona Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall at 15 McCoy Street, Savona.

PRESENT: Mayor Brian Scott
Trustee Mary Finch
Trustee Tina Carson
Clerk Susan Thorne
Treasurer Tammie Nelson
Attorney Elizabeth Oklevitch

ABSENT: Trustee Carl Peter's, Jr.
Trustee Chris McCann – Arrived at 6:49 p.m.

OTHERS PRESENT: Lynn Van Skiver, 27 Grove St.
Jessica Stevens, 67 W. Lamoka Ave.
Julie Tatro, 29 Grove St.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott at 6:05 p.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Mayor Scott opened the floor to public speakers at 6:05 p.m.

Lynn Van Skiver wanted to thank the Village for getting the stop sign and speed limit signs that were put up.

Jessica Stevens asked if the Village had any updated communication from Dalrymple Gravel.

No further comments.

Mayor Scott closed the floor to public speakers at 6:08 p.m.

Mayor Scott stated that Attorney Elizabeth Oklevitch has to leave early so we would like to discuss certain items out of order.

Cannabis Local Law – Elizabeth stated that there was going to be a meeting at the Steuben County Sheriff's Office, Bath, NY on Thursday, September 30, 2021, 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be provided.

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We need to vote by December 31, 2021 if we want on-site consumption and/or retail sales.

We will bring this back to discuss further at the next Board meeting.

- **Property Maintenance Law** – Elizabeth has a couple examples of law already started.
 - Height of Grass
 - Number of Unregistered Vehicles – 1

Main purpose is to authorize for Village of Savona to cut grass and/or pick up limbs. Remedy to do above and charge for this and anything listed in this law to property owners.

Lynn Van Skiver asked about how many boats could a property owner have.

Elizabeth will have a draft to Mayor Scott in 2 weeks. Trustees would like to have a Public Hearing on this at the next Board meeting, October 18, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

On motion of Trustee Finch and seconded by Trustee Carson and carried, all voting AYE to approve holding a Public Hearing on October 18, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

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

Motion Carried.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Minutes -

On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to approve the August 23, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

No corrections made. Motion carried.

Finance –

Payment of Abstract #4 General Fund \$13,626.75 and Abstract #4 Water Fund \$2,031.62

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments.

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On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE, **RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to Pay General Fund, Abstract #4, Claims #543-579, totaling \$13,626.75 and Water Fund, Abstract #4, Claims #543-575, totaling \$2,031.62.

Motion Carried.

BOARD REPORTS:

Trustee Peters, Jr. – Absent

Trustee Finch –

- There will be an outdoor memorial for Mary Helen Joint on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at the Benedek Memorial Library from 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- The library is having a book sale on October 15, 2021 – October 17, 2021
- Some members of the community were asking how much the Village collected for the flood victims. Mayor Scott state \$8,223.46. Trustee Finch would like to see that placed on the sign at the four corners. Mayor Scott will contact Jody Graham of the Fire Department to change the information on the sign.

Trustee Carson – nothing to report.

Trustee McCann – Absent

Mayor Scott –

Mayor Scott wanted to first thank everyone that participated in the fundraiser for the flooding victims. Decision to have the fundraiser on Labor Day didn't give much time to prepare and was not sure we could do it in such a short time but Tammie Nelson and Cassandra Gerow to push ahead with it and so Mayor Scott would like to thank them both for doing that.

- Met with officers of the Fire Department regarding radios.
- Met with concerned resident regarding suspicious activity.
- Worked with Hober's Sealing for Village Hall parking lots.
- NYCOM Fall Conference – Mayor Scott attended the NYCOM fall conference in Saratoga, NY last week. Will share information over the next several months.
- 9/1/2021 Took and brought back mower for service.
- Spoke to Scott Sprague regarding Workers Compensation.
- Phone conversation with Candace Balmer regarding EDU rate study.
- Met with Tammie Nelson to work on loan for pending projects.

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- Met with Adam Elliott and Mike Austin on site to discuss drainage project.
- Hero Banners – coordinating with Tom Austin to hang them.
- Working with Everything Medical on new handicap ramp.
- Discussed building upgrades with Doug Kapral.

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Department – report for August 2021:

- Automatic Alarm: 1
- Hazardous Conditions: 2
- EMS: 23
- Mutual Aide: 10

Total Calls for August: 30

Total Calls to Date: 218

Mutual Aide Given: Campbell – 6 and Thurston - 2

Mutual Aide Received: 2

Campbell 8/24 EMS, Campbell 8/25 EMS

Average Response: 2.57 Minutes

Calls in Village: 11

Calls in Town: 11

Water Department – Report for August 2021

No report submitted

Court – Report for August 2021

Received Cases: 21

Closed Cases: 24

Amount Reports: \$5,690.00

Animal Enforcement – Report for August 2021

No report submitted

Code Enforcement – Report for August 2021

- Fence Permit – 1 (Ken Hrasdzira, 53 Main St. and made 2 visits before issuing permit.)
- Storage Shed Permit - 1
- Water Tie in Permit – 1

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- Remedy / certified mail plus regular mail – 1 (Nickole Simpson, 51 Main St. (did receive receipt back from Nickole)). First visit no one home.
- Application for Storage Shed on Orchard St. – 1
- Problems with tall grass and trash – 2 visits (Katharn Rodger, Orchard Street). First stop at house, no one home.

Town of Bath – Report for August 2021

Clerk Report – Report for August 2021

Treasurer Report – Report for August 2021

On motion of Trustee Carson, and seconded by Finch, and carried, all voting AYE to accept the board and department reports as submitted.

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

Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Local Law #2, 2021** – “Outdoor Open Burning,” filed by State of New York, Department of State, August 27, 2021.
- **Local Law #3, 2021** – “Extending the Terms of Office,” waiting to be filed with Department of State.
- **Girl Scouts, Troop 60586** – Scout Leader, Caitlin Pionessa will start their meetings again at Village Hall in September 22, 2021. They have decided to keep the same schedule for 9/2021 – 6/2022, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- **Town of Bath Meeting:** Bath Town Board Assignment, Trustee Carson, Monday, October 18, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
- **Budget Amendment for Fire Department Radios** - They have decided to do buy-back program, cost is \$24,000, however, that amount may come down.
- **Village Cleaner** – Still looking for someone to clean Village offices 2 hours a week. Pay would be \$13.33 an hour. Trustee Finch said she will follow-up with the cleaner at the library.
- **Halloween Day and Hours** – Discussed on having it on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments.

On motion of Trustee Carson, and seconded by Trustee Finch, and carried, all voting AYE to holding Halloween in the Village of Savona on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

- **Leaf Pick-up** – Village of Savona will hold leaf pick-ups on October 29, 2021 and November 19, 2021. Small brush and twigs can be included.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Engine and Hose Company Memberships - Mayor Scott stated we have a call into the Sheriff's Office to check the following applicant's references.

On motion of Trustee McCann, and seconded by Trustee Finch, and carried, all voting AYE to exit out of the regular Board meeting and into an Executive Session to discuss the Engine and Hose Company Memberships at 6:50 p.m.

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

On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to return to regular Board meeting at 6:57 p.m.

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Trustee Finch	AYE	
Trustee Peters, Jr.		ABSENT
Trustee Carson	AYE	
Trustee McCann	AYE	

Mayor requested a motion to approve Dan Miller application for Engine and Hose Company membership for the Fire Department.

On motion of Trustee McCann, pending his background check, and seconded by Trustee Finch and carried, all voting AYE to approve Dan Miller's application for Engine and Hose Company membership for the Fire Department.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Scott	AYE	
Trustee Finch	AYE	
Trustee Peters, Jr.		ABSENT
Trustee Carson	AYE	
Trustee McCann	AYE	

Mayor requested a motion to approve Trapper Brouwere application for Engine and Hose Company membership for the Fire Department.

On motion of Trustee McCann, pending his background check, and seconded by Trustee Finch and carried, all voting AYE to approve Trapper Brouwere's application for Engine and Hose Company membership for the Fire Department.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Scott	AYE	
Trustee Finch	AYE	
Trustee Peters, Jr.		ABSENT
Trustee Carson	AYE	
Trustee McCann	AYE	

Mayor requested a motion to approve applications for Engine and Hose Company membership for the Fire Department.

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments.

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ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:05 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