

# VILLAGE OF SAVONA

15 McCoy Street  
Savona, NY 14879

**MAYOR** - Brian C. Scott

**TRUSTEES** - Mary Finch  
Tina Carson  
Carl Peters Jr.  
Chris McCann

Minutes for November 15, 2021

The Village of Savona Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on Monday, November 15, 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  
Attorney Elizabeth Oklevitch

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Judge Michael Horton, Savona Court  
Lynn Van Skiver, 27 Grove Street  
Larry Comfort, 27 Grove Street  
Vivian Geyer, 54 Maple Street  
Doug Kapral, Savona Water Department

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Mayor Scott.

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS:**

Mayor Scott opened the floor to public speakers at 6:01 p.m.

No Comments.

Mayor Scott closed the floor to public speakers at 6:07 p.m.

**BUSINESS MEETING:**

**Minutes -**

On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee McCann, and carried, all voting AYE to approve the September 27, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

No Corrections made. Motion carried.

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On motion of Trustee Peters, Jr., and seconded by Trustee Finch, and carried, all voting AYE to approve the October 18, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

No Corrections made. Motion carried.

On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee Peters, Jr., and carried, all voting AYE to approve the September 13, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes.

No Corrections made. Motion carried.

## **Finance –**

**Payment** of Abstract #6 General Fund \$42,449.47 and Abstract #6 Water Fund \$1,637.81

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 #6, Claims #613-645, totaling \$42,449.47 and Water Fund, Abstract #6, Claims #618-642, totaling \$1,637.81.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any comments or questions.

No comments. Motion carried.

## **BOARD REPORTS:**

### **Trustee Peters, Jr. –**

- Adjusting to new Chief
- New trainings going on

### **Trustee Finch –**

- Benedek Memorial Library bake sale went well. Raised \$900.00.
- Christmas Joy Event will be on December 11, 2021, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. More events going on can go to their website: [www.benedekmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.benedekmemoriallibrary.org).

### **Trustee Carson –**

- Nothing to report

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## **Trustee McCann –**

- Concession Stand in Village Park is ready to be torn down to make way for new concession stand to be built
- Bus Stop protection glass has not been replaced. County is responsible for replacement.

**Mayor Scott** - submitted written report activities included: Village Hall septic tank has not been pumped out in a long time but will now be done. Tim from Hunt Engineers is moving forward with Main Street grant. Fire Department received new radios on October 15, 2021. Spoke to Sarah Lattin from Senator, Thomas O'Mara's office regarding grants for ramps. Will fund us a grant for that. United Way sent a thank you to the Village Hall for our gift to the Steuben County Flood Response Fund. Benedek Memorial Library staff and trustees sent a thank you for our generous grant from the Jenny Foster Fund of \$500.00, donated August 17, 2021, for their Summer Reading Plus: "Tails and Tales" program.

Mayor Scott asked if any comments or questions.

No comments.

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

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire Department** – report for October 2021:

- Automatic Alarm: 1
- Hazardous Conditions: 8
- EMS: 25
- MVA: 2
- Fires: 4
- Mutual Aide: 18

Total Calls for October: 40

Total Calls to Date: 289

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Mutual Aide Given: 15 – Bath: 2, Bradford: 1, Campbell: 6, and Thurston: 6

Mutual Aide Received: 3

Average Response: 3.025 Minutes

Calls in Village: 15

Calls in Town: 25

## **Water Department** – Report for October 2021

No report submitted

## **Court** – Report for October 2021

Received Cases: 44

Closed Cases: 13

Amount Reports: \$3,353.00

## **Animal Enforcement** – Report for October 2021

- Strays – 1
- Seized – 1 Cat and 1 Skunk
- Running at Large - 2
- Other – No Shelter

## **Code Enforcement** – Report for October 2021

- Storage Shed Permit – 1
- Electrical Inspection – 1

## **Town of Bath** – Report for October 2021

## **Clerk Report** – Report for October 2021

## **Treasurer Report** – Report for October 2021

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

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
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No further comments. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Village Cleaner** – Lori DeWert, started Sunday, November 14, 2021
- **Property Maintenance Local Law -**

On motion of Trustee McCann, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to approve to move Property Maintenance Local Law to Public Hearing.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

- **Unsafe Structures Local Law** - information on unsafe structures to be delivered to Trustees before the December 20, 2021 Board Meeting. They were given a copy of Cohocton's local law to review.

On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee Peters, Jr., and carried, all voting AYE to approve to move Unsafe Structures Local Law to Public Hearing.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

- **Cannabis Local Law** – Mayor Scott and Attorney Oklevitch discussed the different options we have to vote on. The Trustees all agreed to opt out of both consumption sites and dispensaries at this time.

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On motion of Trustee Finch, and seconded by Trustee McCann, and carried, all voting AYE to approve to move Cannabis Local Law to Public Hearing at December 20, 2021 Board Meeting.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

On motion of Trustee McCann, and seconded by Trustee Peters, Jr., and carried, all voting AYE to opt out the Cannabis Local Law.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Town of Bath Meeting:** Bath Town Board Assignment, Trustee McCann, Monday, December 13, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
- **Tax Relevy** – \$16,271.19, 32 properties.

On motion of Trustee McCann, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to accept to go to the Steuben County to be filed.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
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	Trustee McCann	AYE

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No further comments. Motion carried.

- **The Savona Community Events Committee Donation** would like to make a request of a monetary donation of \$500.00 from the Jenny Foster Fund, toward their Christmas Joy Event being held at the Benedek Memorial Library.

On motion of Trustee Peters, Jr., and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to take \$500.00 from the Jenny Foster Fund and be donate to the Savona Community Events Committee for their Christmas Joy event at the Benedek Memorial Library.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

- **SCT Agreement** – Need an approval on new quarterly maintenance agreement for another three years. Fees are still the same.

On motion of Trustee McCann, and seconded by Trustee Carson, and carried, all voting AYE to approve the SCT Computer agreement for another 3 years.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

- **Building Upgrades** – Doug Kapral has offered to do the upgrades and thought he could do all we wanted done, including his labor, which would be \$8,000.00, for around \$35,000.00. He will give us a final cost before next board meeting on December 20, 2021. Doug could start January or February and be done by spring. Trustee Finch stated

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we do need at least two more bids. Monies for the upgrades would come from the Covid Grant.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On motion of Trustee McCann, and seconded by Trustee Peters, Jr., and carried, all voting AYE to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 6:57 p.m.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	Mayor Scott	AYE
	Trustee Finch	AYE
	Trustee Peters, Jr.	AYE
	Trustee Carson	AYE
	Trustee McCann	AYE

Mayor Scott asked if any further comments.

No further comments. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Susan Thorne  
Village Clerk