

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Salem was held on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 in the Village office. Present were Mayor Anne Dunigan and Trustees Joe Childs, Carol Rives, Tom Clark, and Paul Kobyluch. Also present were Water Operator Steve Brown, Village Historian Al Cormier, Fire Chief Bob Graham, and members of the press and public.

The meeting was called to order, and vouchers from the General Fund Nos. 604 through 648 in the amount of \$10630.71, from the Library Fund Nos. 224 to 232 in the amount of \$1177.02, and from the Water Fund Nos. 183 through 191 in the amount of \$2646.05 were audited and ordered paid--motion by Joe Childs, second by Paul Kobyluch. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Carol Rives made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to approve the minutes of the January 6 regular meeting, the January 20 special meeting, and the January 27 joint meeting as corrected. (It was noted that the swim program was discussed at the joint meeting and should be included in the minutes.) All were in favor and the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: DPW There were nine storms in January, including heavy rain on January 23. Maintenance/replacement/repairs included replacing a flat tire on the rented skid steer during snow removal, replacing the spinner on the sander on the F450, and on the loader, replacing the cutting edge and having the brake seal, brakes, and broken front window replaced. McCauley and Tucker fixed the heaters in the fire station and the hot water in the water barn. Have used two of the heavy Christmas tree holders to support the fence between the O'Neil and McClellan building. The side walls of both buildings have failed to hold lag bolts anchored in them. Whose responsibility is this? WATER In January there was one new hook-up bringing the total to 281. Water department parts inventory has been restored and the water office has been painted and organized.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: There were 11 calls in January, four in the Village, three in the Town of Salem, two in Jackson, and one mutual aid to Hebron. Twenty members completed an AED and CPR course, and four members completed a first aid course. Eighteen members trained in cold water rescue. Five members attended a chiefs and officers meeting in Rupert. Five members attended a joint Village/Town meeting. Training hours for January totaled 582.50. A grant was received in the amount of \$49500, which will pay for 40 pagers, a multi-gas meter, a thermal imaging camera, and 30 bail-out harnesses. This grant requires a \$2400 match.

LIBRARY REPORT: Circulation for the month was 2061. Julie Brown has given notice that she will be resigning effective June 1 of this year. She has been with the Bancroft Library for many years and has been very dedicated to all of the Library's needs. She will be missed.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT: Beginning March 4 there will be an historical display in the main hall of the Courthouse and lectures on March 4, 11, and 18. The Historic Preservation Commission approved Kyle Hunter's application to demolish the structure at 38 West Broadway.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Carol Rives made a motion, Joe Childs seconded, to appoint Pat Gilchrist Village Registrar of Vital Statistics, and Carol Walrath as her deputy. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Tom Clark made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to solicit bids on 5" hose for the fire department, to be opened at the March 3 meeting.

A budget meeting was set for Wednesday, February 17, 6:30 PM in the Village office.

There will be a meeting on February 23 in the community room to discuss the summer youth program, perhaps in combination with Cambridge.

The new dog warden, Jessica Barrett, introduced herself and shared dog control policy information she has been collecting from neighboring communities, and asked that the Village review its dog control law and consider condensing it into a handout she can use.

PUBLIC REMARKS

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.
Rebecca Brown, Clerk