State of New York Village of Croghan Village Board Meeting

**April 9, 2025** 

Mayor Keith Bush calls the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

### Attendees:

Mayor Trustees Staff

Keith Bush Dawn Ashline Charlene Moser, Treasurer

Linda Nortz Robin Grunert, Clerk

Liz Jones, Deputy Clerk

EXCUSED- Lloyd Richardson

**Motion** by Trustee Nortz and a second by Trustee Ashline to open the Budget hearing at 6:02. All in favor.

## **Guests or Public Comment/Updates**

Tom Kalamas is working on some funding opportunities that may help the Village with a new fence at the park. He is working on some resolutions regarding Block Heat Act and the phasing out of natural gas.

Dane Hylen and April Hayes introduced themselves and sat in on the meeting as both are interested in the vacant trustee seat.

Representatives from the Croghan Fire Department, Jason Moser, Collin Edick, Rob Shultz & Rob Gates stopped in to sign their Oath of Office.

Evan Lyndaker inquired about the rental of the ball field June 13-15 and July 4-6.

# **Maintenance Report:**

Keith updated the Board for Mitch regarding TI Sales letting him know that our meter reader and software are outdated and would be \$17,000 to replace. More information was requested. There are 5 more meters that need changing out.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report is included in the Board's packet. **Motion** by Trustee Ashline and seconded by Trustee Nortz to accept the treasurer's report. All in favor.

**Motion** by Trustee Ashline and seconded by Trustee Nortz to make the necessary transfers included in the Board packet. All in favor.

**Motion** Trustee Ashline and seconded by Trustee Nortz to cash in one of the Capital Fund CDs in order to replenish water fund savings and pay the current engineering bill. All in favor.

# Clerk's Report

**Motion** by Trustee Nortz and a second by Trustee Ashline to approve the minutes of March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. All in favor.

Motion by Trustee Nortz and seconded by Trustee Ashline to pay the bills. All in favor.

There were no bids received for the Food Stand.

There were 3 bids for the pumping of the septic tanks. Low bid was submitted by TW Septic for \$0.17 per gallon for the estimated 85,000 gallons. **Motion** by Trustee Ashline and a second by Nortz to award the septic pumping service to TW Septic.

It is time to Re-levy the unpaid water and sewer bills back to the Village taxes. This needs to be done by April 25<sup>th</sup>. Charlene will get the list to Robin for submission to the County.

NYS DOL paid a visit to area municipalities explaining the new state registration of all contractors that work for the Village. The handout is in the Board packet for review.

Deputy Clerk Jones reported on the Codes inspection at the Library/Food Pantry and items that need attention. Robin will get the list to Mitch to resolve the items. The flag pole at the Library is also broken and needs repair.

# Mayor's Report

The Barton & Loguidice update is included in the packet, changes of note since last month is that the BAN was closed on February 12. The update on surveys for new users on Kirschnerville Road have been returned with 6/10 being in favor. We have not heard from the Croghan Mennonite Church, or Heather Houppert. NYS DOT review set has been submitted and missing Items Letter Response was sent to NYS EFC. Mayor Bush will be attending the Town of New Bremen Board meeting next week to discuss the forming of the New Bremen Water District.

The ad for a full time DPW superintendent is in the Board packet – Robin will place the ad next week in the Journal, on Linking Lewis County, Newzjunky and try to get it out to local schools and BOCES.

Mayor Bush made a motion to get up to 2 (two) loads of topsoil for the Park, seconded by Trustee Ashline. All in favor.

#### **Trustee Reports**

Trustee Nortz reported that she has applied for the summer work program.

As there was no public comment on the Budget, there was a **Motion** by Trustee Ashline and a second by Trustee Nortz to close the Budget Hearing at 7:36pm. **Motion** by Trustee Ashline and a second by Trustee Nortz to accept the Budget. All in favor.

**Executive Session** called at 7:39 and ended at 8:27.

# **Adjournment**

**Motion** by Mayor Bush with a second by Trustee Nortz to adjourn the meeting at 8:3opm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Grunert, Village Clerk