State of New York Village of Croghan Village Board Meeting

June 11, 2025

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

Attendees:

Mayor Trustees Staff

Keith Bush Dawn Ashline Charlene Moser, Treasurer

Linda Nortz Robin Grunert, Clerk
Lloyd Richardson Liz Jones, Deputy Clerk

April Hayes

# **Guests or Public Comment/Updates**

Fire Department President Richard Knight signed his Oath of Office. An informational session was held for the new water project. There were 21 guests that signed in for the meeting. Representatives from Barton and Loguidice presented on the water project. Tom Kalamas reported that he is working on Park improvement funding and grants.

## **Maintenance Report:**

Mitch stated that Evan Lyndaker purchased new bases. The school sent some help to drag the ball field with nail drags that seemed to help the infield. No update on Koester on the lift station. Mitch confirmed that the Board received his email regarding his scheduled vacations for June, July and August. The Board inquired if he had coverage for the water/sewer for those days. He had not as of the Board meeting, but will obtain coverage. Beaver Falls is refilling the water tower this week, and Mitch needs to refill the pool at the same time. The pool dock needs to be recarpeted.

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

The treasurer's report and budget transfers were included in the Board's packet. Charlene stated that the Omitted Tax portion of the New Bremen village tax portion was stated wrong on the budget (page 2). The effect is the New Bremen tax rate went from \$2.54 to \$2.58 per thousand dollars assessed value. This does not change the total amount of taxes, just the tax rate > Motion by Trustee Ashline and a second by Trustee Richardson to amend the budget with this new information. Motion by Trustee Nortz and seconded by Trustee Hayes to accept the treasurer's report. All in favor.

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

#### **Clerk's Report**

**Motion** by Trustee Ashline and a second by Trustee Nortz to approve the minutes of May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. All in favor.

**Motion** by Trustee Ashline and a second by Trustee Nortz to approve the minutes of May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. All in favor.

**Motion** by Trustee Ashline and seconded by Trustee Nortz to pay the bills for FYE 5/31/2025. All in favor.

**Motion** by Trustee Ashline and seconded by Trustee Hayes to pay the bills 1-11 for FYE 5/31/2026. All in favor.

**Motion** by Trustee Richardson and a second by Trustee Hayes to approve the Food Stand rental-Erin Woolschlager

The Board was given a copy of the revised Zoning resolution from May of 2024 that needed to be certified per the meeting minutes.

On Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Robin put in her resignation as clerk. Her last day as clerk will be June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Paul Shepard was representing RACOG at the meeting. He informed the Board that the Village had been accepted into the River Area Council of Governments and that an IMA will be forthcoming.

In the Mayor's report, Keith updated the Board of the 4 to 1 vote for Town of New Bremen to form a water district for the water users outside the Village. They are in the process of scheduling the public hearing. Keith also updated the Board regarding a parking issue on George Street of a tractor trailer parking overnight on the weekends. He is working on some alternative parking areas for the driver.

Also in the Mayor's report, he reported on the plans of Lewis County Search and Rescues plan to take over all of the EMS Services in the county.

Discussion was had regarding a water rate increase/billing frequency to help residents budget for the new infrastructure improvements. The Board will revisit this issue at the next Board meeting.

### **Trustee Reports**

Linda is working on the fencing for the ball field. Jason Carroll can possibly provide the sand for the sewer ponds – still waiting on testing back up. There have been sightings of Rats in the Village. Keith reports while this is not a public health issue, building codes may be able to look into the issue.

Motion by Trustee Richardson and seconded by Trustee Hayes to go into executive session at 8:28pm. The executive session ended at 9:00pm.

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Richardson and a second by Trustee Hayes at 9:00pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Grunert, Village Clerk