Present: Mayor Andrew Matviak, Trustee Vic Tartaglia, , Trustee Tom Ford and Trustee Sheri Youngs

Village Deputy Clerk Jaclyn Roth

Absent : Trustee Steve Crawford

Staff: Gary Klindt, Airport Manager; Clarissa Walrath, Grants Accountant; Shane Nordberg, Chief WWTP Operator

Guests: Gene Walsh, Brenda Philpott, Harold Wicks, Alyssa Dewitt – Bloomberg News, Chris Flabell - Flood Recovery

Mayor Matviak called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Alyssa Dewitt with Bloomberg News introduced herself along with Chris Flabell who was running late. She stated they were there covering a story on the buyout program.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Ford seconded the approval of the minutes from November 27, 2017 as written. All Ayes, Carried.

Mayor Matviak wanted to thank the DPW Crew and Police Department for their help with the Jolly Holiday Parade. Only one scheduled meeting for the month of December but if a second meeting is necessary notice will be given prior. Department Head meeting will be held on Thursday.

Deputy Clerk Roth explained the Village received a quote from Frontier for the relocation of the phone system from the Civic Center building to the Getman Building. Trustee Tartaglia stated the Police Department was without phones for a full day while the power was shut off in the Civic Center. Since the Getman building has a generator the phone system won’t be out of commission again.

Clarissa Walrath, Grants Accountant, reviewed the Resolution #: 121117-17 for the Construct Taxiway at the Sidney Municipal Airport with the board. This resolution is accepting the match from New York State Department of Transportation in the amount of $112,627. The resolution is necessary to start the reimbursement process.

Trustee Youngs moved, Trustee Ford seconded to accept the following resolution:

**MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION FOR AVIATION CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION NUMBER: 121117-17**

Authorizing acceptance of a grant offer from the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for work at the Sidney Municipal Airport described as Construct Taxiway, PIN 9905.19;

WHEREAS, the NYSDOT has offered a matching grant to federal grant 3-36-0109-020-2017;

WHEREAS, the Village of Sidney desires to advance the Project by committing funds for the local match, the funding shares for PIN 9905.19 being federal (FAA): $2,027,273; State $112,627; Local $112,626; Total $2,252,526;

WHEREAS, if the Village of Sidney and/or the FAA notifies NYSDOT that the Village has required and received an increase in Federal funding for the Project based on increased eligible costs, the State share noted above shall be increased proportionately up to a maximum increase of 15%.

THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney does hereby approve the above subject Project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Village of Sidney is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements on behalf of the Village with NYSDOT in connection with the Project, and it is further

RESOLVED, that a Certified copy of the Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

All Ayes, Carried,

Monthly reports for the Police Department and Animal Control Officer were reviewed and accepted by the board.

Shane Nordberg, Chief WWTP Operator, informed the board that he was approached by a Senior from Bainbirdge-Guilford High School who is interested in becoming a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and will be attending Morrisville next fall. He would like to start an internship, without compensation, with the Village plant, beginning on January 26th, the School will provide insurance up until his graduation in June. After that point the internship can continue but the Village would have to add this student to the liability insurance policy. Shane explained that there is a big shortage of Operators and DEC and Department of Health would be pleased to see a Municipality participating. Mayor Matviak thinks it’s a great opportunity for both parties and would like to allow for the internship through the end of the school year. Then revisit the internship later and see if CDO Workforce might be able to add him to their program and add to their liability insurance.

Trustee Youngs moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded the motion to allow the Wastewater Treatment Plant to appoint an unpaid high school intern Brent Rideout, effective January 26th through the end of the school year, contingent upon receiving the School Certification of Liability Insurance. All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia explained there was a private citizen who was interested in constructing a hanger for his private airplane at the Airport. The agreement will be for 30 years with a 10 year renewal option, after the 30 years the hanger will be turned over to the Village. The Village attorney is questioning a few things such as; whether or not prevailing wage is required, if the proposed prepayment terms need to be deposited in an escrow account and if the Village board can bind future boards for thirty (30) years ahead. The Mayor suggested waiting until there was a full board to make a motion on this matter.

Brenda Philpott asked about a previous set of minutes and the Mayor asked she put the question in writing so the Village could answer after researching. Then she asked about a news article from December 18, 2016 which the Mayor was interviewed on the type of housing to be added to the Circle Drive/West Main development, she was questioning if there were really proposing to have $300,000 homes. Mayor Matviak stated that when the developer took ownership of the property they would determine the necessary housing.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Ford seconded a motion authoring the Treasurer to pay the December 11, 2017 audit from the following funds:

Fund

Audit

General

107,655.93

$

Water

15,588.43

$

Sewer

21,115.71

$

Community Develop

 115,165.78

$

T&A

3,138.33

$

Capital

58,363.67

$

**Totals**

321,027.85

$

All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Ford seconded to go into executive session at 7:38 pm on a personnel matter and a possible UDAG Loan, full board was invited to stay. All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Ford made a motion at to leave executive session at 8:19. Second by Trustee Tartaglia.  All ayes.  Motion carried.

Trustee Ford made a motion to adjourn at 8:20. Second by Trustee Tartaglia. All ayes. Motion carried.

 Respectfully Submitted,

Jaclyn Roth, Deputy Clerk