Present: Mayor Matviak, Trustee Vic Tartaglia, Trustee Barry MacPherson, Trustee Baker (in late), Trustee Cristelli

Absent:

Staff: Clerk/Treasurer Sheena Dorsey, Brandon McEwan

Guests: Karee Edwards, Randy Shepard

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm.

Trustee MacPherson moved, Trustee Cristelli seconded the motion adopting the November 22, 2021, minutes as written. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, Carried.

Mayor Matviak gave FYI on an article in the Daily Star, received 2 grants one for the airport in amount of $159,000 and the water meter project for $480,000. Waiting on guidance of how the grants can be used and will move forward from there.

Discussion on the current policy for COVID and making changes to some of the items listed in the policy. Will follow CDC and County Dept of health guidelines.

Trustee Tartaglia moved; Trustee Cristelli seconded a motion approving proposed process for employees when a positive test or quarantine order is received, effective immediately. Process will be given to each employee immediately and a signed receipt will be filed in the HR folder. 4 Ayes, 0 Nay, 1 Absent, Carried.

Trustee MacPherson moved; Trustee Tartaglia seconded the motion approving the County Planning Advisory Contract provided by Delaware County Planning Department. The payment of $1,750.00 will be made in January of 2022 and July of 2022 for a total of $3,500.00. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved; Trustee Cristelli seconded the motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the Agreement with NYSEG on the Gross Tax Receipts Settlement, the Village will be receiving $7,500.00 less the 33% which goes to Computel for their services on this matter. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 Abstained (Trustee MacPherson), Carried.

Discussion on the current COVID COOP agreement after discussion with NYCOM. The State offers the first round of COVID time up to 14 days, once the time is used its done as it’s a 1 time deal. Full Board was in agreement that the time allotted by the Village in the Covid COOP starts out fresh as of April 1st, 2021. Discussion on the areal picture of Sidney and if the Village wants to purchase one, Gary Klindt purchased one for the airport.

Trustee Cristelli moved; Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion for the Clerk to purchase 1 aerial phot of the Village at $195.00 for the Clerk’s Office. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion to approve Resolution #122021-08 as follows;

**RESOLUTION #122021-08: ADOPTION OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL ALL-HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE**

**WHEREAS,** Delaware County, with the assistance of the Albany Visualization and Informatics Lab (AVAIL), has gathered information and prepared the Delaware County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazards Mitigation Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** the Delaware County Board of Supervisors determined in Resolution 107 of 2003 that a multi-jurisdictional All-Hazards Mitigation Plan representing all the Towns and Villages in Delaware County would be more efficient to produce than each community drafting and adopting its own; and

**WHEREAS,** the Delaware County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazards Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** Delaware County is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input on the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** Delaware County and the Village of Sidney have reviewed the Plan and affirm that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village of Sidney Board of Trustees that the Village of Sidney adopts the Delaware County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazards Mitigation Plan as this jurisdictions Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_December 20\_\_\_, 2021 at a meeting of the Village of Sidney.

Trustee Baker \_\_\_\_Absent\_\_\_ Trustee Tartaglia \_\_\_Aye\_\_\_\_

Trustee Cristelli \_\_Aye\_\_\_\_ Trustee MacPherson \_\_Aye\_\_\_\_

Mayor Matviak \_\_\_Aye\_\_\_\_\_

DPW Superintendent Brandon McEwan gave an update that leaf pickup is now complete. Discussion on a possible bump out reflector on Main Street by Walgreens or reflective tape to help prevent people from hitting it and ruining their tires. Trustee MacPherson mentioned putting tape up higher on the garbage can as well. Discussion on the Route 8 streetlights that Town of Sidney are turning off, we cannot turn off lights on the intersections and Brandon will meet with County Highway about this. Having these lights on through NYSEG is very expensive.

Discussion about the Whit Whitaker 50/50 sidewalk application as it was more then expected and more then we have in the fund for this program. Whit was made aware of this and he asked if he could have part of the reimbursement now and the remainder in the next fiscal year. Discussion on possibly paying the amount in full as the application does not specifically say its limited funding. Need to add in the application process to contact DPW Superintendent to look at job site and having dig safe done prior to digging. There were additional charges on receipt from contractor due to replacing a shut off that should have been the Villages responsibility. The finance committee will look into this application further prior to making a final decision. Discussion on Deb Taylor at 23 Adams St, will generate a letter to her and cc Senator Oberacker as well on the work and progress with her water situation.

Brandon McEwan spoke to the Board about the open Animal Control Officer position stating that he would like to take it back over for a trial period for a little bit more money and to utilize the DPW truck for animals. This will be discussed further in executive session.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion to allow Kyle Wright to complete 120 of unpaid internship hours starting late January 2022. Kyle is enrolled at SUNY Delhi in the Criminal Justice Program, and they would provide Liability Insurance for the duration of his time as an intern. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Trustee Baker moved, Trustee Cristelli seconded the motion to accept with regret the resignation of Joshua Palmer as Animal Control Officer effective December 31, 2021. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to pay the Abstract 12 dated December 20, 2021, from the following funds:

**Fund Audit**

General $183,111.58

Water $15,539.53

Sewer $17,593.63

Community Development $40,618.60

Trust & Agency $2,629.12

Capital $85.77

**Totals $259,578.23**

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Trustee Baker moved; Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion to go into executive session @ 8:23pm on DPW new hire & ACO replacement. Full Board, Clerk/Treasurer and DPW Superintendent invited to stay. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved; Trustee Baker seconded the motion to leave executive session at 8:49pm. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Trustee Cristelli moved; Trustee Baker seconded a motion to rescind the motion from November 22, 2021 meeting hiring Eric Sequare for the Laborer II position in DPW. At this time there Is no replacement and interviews will take place before the next meeting so a final decision can be made. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Trustee MacPherson moved; Trustee Cristelli seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:51pm. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheena Dorsey, Village Clerk/Treasurer