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

Village Clerk Sheena Felzak

Staff: Deputy Clerk – Jaclyn Roth, John Redente – Grants Administrator

Guests: The Chernyak Family, Gene & Therese Walsh, Denise & Joe Singlar, Brenda Philpott & Harold Wicks

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

Guests were recognized.

Brenda Philpott, 2200 Cty Rt 4, Sidney, attended the special meeting on July 24, 2017. In the minutes that were approved for that evening she found an error where Deputy Mayor Tartaglia was introducing the proposed Local Law# 2-2017 and referred to the Zoning change of two parcels from R-1 to R-3. The minutes from July 24, 2017 reflect the statement made by Deputy Mayor Tartaglia as a change from R1 to R-2 which Clerk Felzak agreed that it was a typing error and those minutes would later be amended. Brenda also wanted it noted that she was questioning the change in the proposed Local Law# 2-2017 when initially was published in the paper going from R-1 to R-3 and now being changed from R-1 to R-2.

The Chernyak family came before the board with a business proposal pertaining to a Dog Park in the Keith Clark Park area. Their presentation included the reasons communities should have a dog park, the benefits the dogs received from being socialized and what is required to implement one. The Chernyak family has reached out to McDowell and Walker, Tractor Supply and Kmart to ask for contributions to put towards the creation of the dog park. They are also willing to put together a fund raiser to raise additional monies to support the project. There was a sign with a petition attached for other interested parties to show their support, which resulted in over 60 signatures in three days. John Redente also suggested considering grants for this type of project. The Mayor stated that the board probably would not be discussing this at the next board meeting as there will be a lot of items on the agenda. It will be looked at most likely late September.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Youngs seconded to motion to approve the minutes from August 14, 2017 as presented. All Ayes, Carried.

Mayor Matviak announces the next board meeting will be a continuation of the Public Hearing on Local Law# 2-2017 on a Zoning Change. At the last meeting, the request in a reduction of taxes from Price Chopper which was discussed in executive session now has been settled by the school in a change in assessment from 1.8 million to 1.4 million along with an agreement not to appeal the decision for two years.

Trustee Youngs moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded to amend the motion made on August 14, 2017 pertaining to the approval of the minutes from July 24, 2017 which should change paragraph 8 on page 1, last line should read “change the zoning of the tax map numbers 138.-2-7.12 and 138.8-3-1 from an R-1 to an R-3.” All Ayes, Carried.

All bank accounts with Gary Clark’s name as the account holder needed to be changed to show Christi Turur as the account holder as of August 28, 2017 due to the transition in the Village Treasurer position.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee Youngs seconded the motion to add Christi Turtur, incoming Village Treasurer, as of August 28, 2017 and to remove Gary Clark, incumbent Village Treasurer as of August 31, 2017 on all banking accounts associated with the Village of Sidney at NBT, Community Bank, and Delaware National Bank of Delhi. Christi Turtur will also become the Online Banking Supervisor as of August 28, 2017 and Gary Clark will be removed. All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded the motion to list the two vacant properties located at 161 Johnston Circle and 231 Johnston Circle with Timberland/Coldwell Banker for 6 months which will expire in February 2018. All Ayes, Carried.

Clerk Felzak states the board should have received a proposal from the Garden Club in Sidney regarding the design and construction of a replacement sign for a sign currently located at the intersection of Route 7 and Main Street. Trustee Tartaglia gives the board and guests a background on this proposal. He was approached by a member of the Garden Club and advised her to reach out to the Village Board asking for a contribution to the cost. Trustee Tartaglia suggests we see if the Village had helped pay for any of the other signs that are located throughout the village of a similar size. The Mayor appreciates Trustee Tartaglia’s offer to help obtain that information for the next meeting.

The Agreement between Lamont Engineers and the Village of Sidney on the Engineering Services for the Water Systems Improvements Grant was discussed. The Mayor read all the items included in the initial Agreement.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Youngs seconded the motion to approve the Agreement with Lamont Engineers on the Engineering Services for the Water Systems Improvements Grant. All Ayes, Carried.

Clerk Felzak briefly discussed the update from Gary Clark, Village Treasurer, which included a budget amendment:

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Youngs seconded that 2017/2018 Sewer Fund and the Capital Projects Sewer Account be amended as follows and that the full $5,353.21 be transferred to the Capital Projects Fund.

Increase: #G9950.900 Transfer’s to Capital Projects $ 353.21

Decrease #G1910.400 Contingency $ 353.21

Trustee Tartaglia spoke about the Hansen VanFleet LLC Contract on the Hydrogeological Services. Explaining the contract was broken down into two sections the first one being the two wells that were going to be necessary at this point. The second part was for the possible need for a third well, which will all depend on the flow from the initial two wells. If the flow is sufficient then the Contract will end there but if a third well is necessary it’s all covered under this one contract.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee Youngs seconded the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract between the Village of Sidney and VanFleet, LLC Water Supply Consultants for the

Hydrogeological Contracting Services at an estimated cost not to exceed $94,005. All Ayes, Carried.

Back in June 2016 a Negative Declaration was made in regard to the Water Systems Improvements Grant SEQR. The Village needs to amend that declaration to include the proposed new Well Site now one has been established.

Trustee Youngs moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded the motion to accept the amended Negative Declaration pertaining to the Water Systems Improvements Grant for the Village of Sidney to include the proposed new Well Site. All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Crawford seconded to pass the following amended resolution# 082817-14:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney is undertaking a project called the Water System Improvements Project (hereinafter referred to as ‘the Project’) to improve the drinking water of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received funding commitments, including grant and loan funds from the New York State Environmental Corporation – Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (NYSDWSRF); and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney conducted a coordinated review of the Project and pursuant to the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR Part 617 determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and issued a Negative Declaration for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney has modified the scope of the original Project to include a new well field site and adjacent areas located at 464 County Highway 1 in the Town of Unadilla, County of Otsego as part of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, submitted documentation to various involved and interested agencies in order seek input regarding the change to the scope of the original project and assess the environmental impacts of said changes.

WHEREAS the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney has prepared an Amendment to the Environmental Assessment Form and has provided copies of this document to the involved and interested agencies for the modified project scope; and

WHEREAS, the probable environmental impacts of the Village of Sidney Water System Improvements project, including those aspects incorporated into the modified scope, have been carefully considered by the Town Board;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney adopts the findings and conclusions relating to the probable environmental impacts contained in the attached Environmental Assessment Form and file the Amended Negative Declaration in accordance with the applicable provisions of the law; and

By majority vote of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sidney at its meeting of August 28, 2017.

Mayor Matviak – Aye Trustee Crawford – Aye

Trustee Tartaglia – Aye Trustee Youngs – Aye Carried

John Redente, Grants Administrator, spoke about money Assemblyman Crouch is offering to the Village of Sidney to be used for a portion of the match needed for the new Hanger being constructed. The total match for the project is $75,000, Assemblyman Crouch is willing to provide the Village with $50,000.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Crawford seconded to accept $50,000 from Assemblyman Crouch to go toward the local shar of $75,000 to construct a new Hanger at the Sidney Municipal Airport. All Ayes, Carried.

John Redente updates the board on a few things such as the weekly Cash Flow meetings which are meant for the office staff handling all steps of the grants process.

The Finance committee will review the suggested changes on the Code Fees sheet provided by the Village Code Enforcement Officer.

Trustee Youngs moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded to approve Michael Mercurio to attend the annual NYCOM Public Works Training. It will be October 16-18 in Lake George, NY. The total cost is $510.00 ($270 for the training, $240 for a two-night stay at the hotel). A Village of Sidney vehicle will be used for transportation. All Ayes, Carried.

Clerk Felzak informs the Board that Judge Skrobanksi will be canceling the training previously brought to the board for approval. With the turnover in staff coming up, he doesn’t feel comfortable leaving an inexperienced Court Clerk to handle the office solely. He might look into going next year.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Youngs seconded a motion authoring the Treasurer to pay the August 28, 2017 audit from the following funds:

Fund

Audit

General

25,369.42

$

Water

4,413.19

$

Sewer

47,681.50

$

Community Develop

56,243.17

$

T&A

$

Capital

39,436.27

$

**Totals**

173,143.55

$

All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded the motion to go into executive session at 8:01 PMon two personnel matters; the full board and Clerk were invited to stay. All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Crawford seconded the motion to leave executive session at 8:56.

Trustee Tartaglia moved, Trustee Crawford seconded the motion to hire Carolyn Rustaino as a part-time Court Clerk contingent upon a satisfactory background check effective August

Trustee Youngs moved, Trustee Tartaglia seconded the motion to promote Jaclyn Roth to the position of Deputy Treasurer at the hourly wage of $17.24/hr, wage level 19.  At six months, position will be reviewed for an increase to wage level 20, $17.78/hr.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee Tartaglia second the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:58.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheena N. Felzak, Village Clerk