Present: Deputy Mayor Vic Tartaglia, Trustee Barry MacPherson, Trustee Steve Crawford

Absent: Mayor Matviak, Trustee Ray Baker

Staff: Greg McCann, Clerk/Treasurer Dorsey

Guests: Evan Bowker, Teri Schunk, Gene Walsh

Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Teri Schunk spoke about the Irish for a day on March 14th, 2020, 12pm-4pm with the parade starting at 2pm. Requesting Division St to be closed from noon to 4 for the hospitality tent and vendors. Also asking Main St to be closed at 1/;45pm for the parade. Teri will also touch base with DPW Mike Mercurio about signs, also Chief Oliver in regard to traffic control. She also stated has certificate of liability.

Trustee MacPherson moved; Trustee Crawford seconded to approve minutes from February 10, 2020 as written.

Deputy Mayor Tartaglia gave an FYI for Mayor Matviak in regard to the Tri Town Eblast, stated that this will now include the Village of Afton. Also stated that the Daily Star will also use our information to be included in their weekly event paper. Trustee Crawford asked if there was a cost to the Village from the Daily Star, per Clerk/Treasurer Dorsey the Daily Star will not be charging as they are hoping the advertising will bring in revenue.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion to surplus the two (2) patrol bicycles in the PD garage that haven’t been used in years. They will be added to the Auctions International site and bid on; the Clerk/Treasurer will accept a price no lower than what the items are worth with regret. All Ayes, Carried.

Codes Officer Greg McCann stated that the Historical Society may be interested in the PD bicycles.

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Discussion on the Tax pendency listing of delinquent Village taxpayers decided to table the motion until March 2020 for further investigation.

Trustee Crawford moved, Deputy Mayor Tartaglia seconded;

RESOLUTION OF THE ***VILLAGE OF SIDNEY***

REQUESTING AMENDMENTS TO NEW YORK STATE'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORMS

WHEREAS while there was a need to reform New York’s criminal justice statutes during the 2019 state legislative session, it is widely recognized that several of the drastic changes in the laws pertaining to discovery are overly broad and vague and are having unintended consequences at the municipal level; and

WHEREAS the dramatically shortened time period in which prosecutors must disclose evidence to defendants and the broad expansion of the matters to which such discovery mandates apply will have significant cost, tax and justice implications for cities and villages with police departments, local justice courts or code/parking enforcement departments; and

WHEREAS the discovery reforms mandate prosecutors disclose evidence to the defense within 15 days of arraignment for criminal charges (even if the defendant is not in custody); and

WHEREAS drastically enlarging the scope of material that a prosecutor must review and deliver within 15 days will overwhelm the ability of city and village officials and employees to prosecute cases while managing their misdemeanor and felony caseloads, and will make it impossible to prosecute vehicle and traffic and local code infractions and violations in compliance with the new discovery mandates; and

WHEREAS arraignment must now take place within 20 days of desk appearance ticket issuance, thereby requiring justice courts, many of which convene monthly, to meet more frequently; and

WHEREAS cities and villages will not reap savings from the bail reform's reduction of the burden on county jails; and

WHEREAS municipalities are already challenged with operating within the now-permanent 2% tax cap and have not received an increase in general purpose state aid in 11 years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the ***Village of Sidney*** supports the following set of amendments proposed by the New York State Conference of Mayors that are consistent with the intent of the criminal justice reforms but which will allow for more effective and affordable implementation:

* Ensure that cities and villages are provided with additional financial and operational support to offset the cost of these mandated measures;
* Allow 60 days for prosecutors to disclose evidence to the defense for criminal charges;
* Exclude from the accelerated discovery requirements any charge not involving a misdemeanor or felony;
* Adjust the 20-day arraignment requirement to accommodate local courts that meet on a monthly basis;
* Allow prosecutors to withhold sensitive information, such as victim contact information, without having to obtain a court order.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this duly adopted resolution of the ***Village of Sidney*** be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins,

Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Senator ***James Seward*** and Assembly Member Clifford Crouch, the New York State Conference of Mayors, and local media outlets.

Trustee Crawford – Aye Trustee MacPherson – Aye Deputy Mayor Tartaglia – Aye, Carried

Trustee Crawford moved; Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion authorizing the Treasurer to make a Budget line transfer for the Shade Tree Commission Contract Expenses line being low, spring maintenance for the rain gardens was not included in the budget for FY 2019-2020 Transfer is listed below:

**FROM**: A8140.406 – Storm Sewers-Office & Contracts supplies $900.00

**TO**: A8560.400 – Shae Tree – Contract Expenses - $900.00

All Ayes, Carried.

Deputy Mayor Tartaglia moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion approving the Irish for a Day Parade on Saturday, March 14th from 1:45 – 3pm. Division Street from Main to Grand will also be shut down for the tasting tent and other vendors to set up from 12 – 4pm. The Parade will start at the Great American going to Bridge St on Main. Pending Certificate of Insurance received. All Ayes, Carried.

Deputy Mayor Tartaglia moved, Trustee Crawford seconded the motion authorizing Royce Terry to attend ARIDE training on April 2nd & 3rd from 8am – 4pm located at Broome County Sheriff’s Office. Training is free and Village vehicle will be used for transportation. All Ayes, Carried.

Motion regarding water/sewer adjustment for 6 Circle Dr & 8 Keith St, tabled until next meeting so the water committee can review.

Evan Bowker spoke regarding Mistler’s being interested in the MacHose whole lot with the garages in the back. They are no interested in the bidding process as they are on a time crunch – they would like to be up and running in April and will be adding two new jobs to the area. They are working with Clerk/Treasurer Dorsey to see what the property assessment will be as it hasnt been on the tax roll. Deputy Mayor stated that the Village is still waiting to locate the Abstract which may take some time, he understands the timeline. Unsure on the price as unsure if it will include the garage out back or not. Also waiting on advice from legal counsel.

Deputy Mayor Tartaglia gave an update on Recreation, stated that baseball & softball sign ups are out and due back by March 13, 2020.

Trustee MacPherson inquired as to the Getman building and DPW Garage bids, asking them to be two separate bids as they are two different roofs.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded a motion authorizing the Treasurer to pay Abstract 18, February 24, 2020 audit from the following funds:

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| **FUND** | **AUDIT** |
| General | $55,048.22 |
| Water | $8,407.08 |
| Sewer | $9,593.49 |
| Community Development | $20.00 |
| T & A | $1,976.50 |
| Capital |  |
| **Total** | **$75,045.29** |

All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee MacPherson moved, Trustee Crawford seconded the motion to go into executive session at 7:45pm to discuss Real Estate. Full Board, Clerk/Treasurer invited to stay. All Ayes, Carried.

Deputy Mayor Tartaglia moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion to leave executive session and return to regular session at 8:19pm. All Ayes, Carried.

Trustee Crawford moved, Trustee MacPherson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. All Ayes, Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheena Dorsey, Village Clerk/Treasurer