MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR DENNIS K LEAHY, DEPUTY MAYOR ROBERT PRITCHARD, TRUSTEE KEVIN GREANY, TRUSTEE JAMES R BARNETT, TRUSTEE DARYL CAPOZZOLI

ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY KELLY NAUGHTON, ENGINEER SEAN HOFFMAN, POLICE CHIEF ARNOLD AMTHOR, CLERK-TREASURER VALENTINA JOHNSON

PUBLIC: DONNA BARLETTA

Mayor opened the meeting with a Moment of Silence for David Weiss and all those we lost 20 years ago

on 9/11.

Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Trustee Barnett, seconded by Trustee Greany, approving the minutes of the August 30, 2021

meeting as presented. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS & CLAIMS**

Motion by Trustee Barnett, seconded by Trustee Pritchard, authorizing the following bills and claims as

audited by the Board of Trustees:

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. AUTHORIZATION, DPW SUPERINTENDENT MATT THORP & ASST DPW SUPERVISOR WILLIAM SHARPE TO ATTEND NYCOM PUBLIC WORKS SCHOOL 10/18-10/20- Motion by Trustee Greany, seconded by Trustee Capozzoli, authorizing Matt Thorp & Billy Sharpe to attend NYCOM Public Works School 10/18-10/20. 5 ayes, 0 nays.
2. DECLARE OCTOBER BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH- Motion by Trustee Barnett, seconded by Trustee Pritchard declaring and recognizing October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month with pink ribbons. 5 ayes, 0 nays.
3. DECLARE NOVEMBER PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH- Motion by Trustee Barnett, seconded by Trustee Pritchard, declaring and recognizing November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month with purple ribbons. 5 ayes, 0 nays.
4. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT, JULY & AUGUST 2021- Chief advised. Board discussed EMT’s (police officers) would like to look into it for budget time. Chief advised he can put it together. Trustee Barnett advised he wanted to look at this a long time ago, the fire department doesn’t respond for medical calls and he is very worried for this village, we should consider it and he knows there is a stipend, but your police officer is the first to respond. Trustee Capozzoli advised he agrees to look into it, he knows there is a lot of training and the stipend has to be worth it because there’s a lot of training. Chief advised he can do the numbers for the Board. Trustee Greany advised if Chief can get us the information, we can move forward or not. Deputy Mayor advised he would like to see what it entails, worth looking at. Mayor advised it’s terms of employment and part of the CBA.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

**On September 11th, 2021, marked the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 Terrorist Attack on our Country. The Village of Maybrook Flags were flown at half-mast to honor those who perished, those who sacrificed their lives to assist, and the family members who continue to suffer their loss of loved ones because of that tragic day. Please keep Maybrook resident David Weiss, his fiancé Kathy Emhardt and his family in your prayers. David Weiss was a Fireman at the NYFD and lost his life in the Twin Towers. May we always remember and never forget!**

**Before we begin our meeting, please take a moment of silence to reflect and remember those who perished on September 11, 2001, and their families.**

* **Audeen Moore, wallkill Valley Times Newspaper-** We received very sad news over the weekend. Audeen Moore who is a reporter with the Wallkill Valley Times and covers the Village of Maybrook informed us that her husband Vaughn passed away. We send our deepest condolences and prayers to Audeen and her family. May Vaughn rest in peace and may Audeen and her family find comfort in their memories.
* **Maybrook Police Officer Ricky Maldonado**– On Thursday, September 9th, the Village of Maybrook Board of Trustees met for a “Special” Village Board Meeting to appoint Officer Ricky Maldonado as a part-time Village of Maybrook Police Officer. Officer Maldonado started his Phase 2 of the New York State Basic Course for Police at the Orange County Police Chief’s Academy in Middletown, NY today. He served over seven years with the United States Marine Corps and is Fluent in the Spanish Language.  Officer Maldonado will be a wonderful asset to our Police department, and we welcome him as an employee in the Maybrook Police Department.
* **September 11th, 2001-2021 20th Anniversary**– Saturday, September 11, 2021, marked the 20th Anniversary of the attack on our country. The Village of Maybrook gathered to remember fireman, police officers and civilians who perished on September 11, 2001. We also remembered Maybrook resident and NYFD Fireman David Weiss who lost his life while helping others in the World Trade Center on that tragic day. David Weiss’s fiance Kathy Emhardt joined us at the ceremony, along with her son and grandson to remember David Weiss. I want to thank Maybrook Fire Chief Ed Protsko and the Maybrook Fire Department for hosting this event. Wreaths were placed at the David Weiss Memorial at the Maybrook Fire Department and at the David Weiss Memorial Park in memory of David Weiss and all who perished on 9/11. I want to extend our thoughts and prayers to the families who continue to mourn the loss of their loved ones and we will ALWAYS remember those who perished that day. God Bless all of them.
* **Open Meetings Lw during COVID-19**– The New York State Open Meetings Law in-person attendance requirement was suspended due to COVID-19 in March of 2020 and that order expired in July of 2021. Given the increase in COVID-19 numbers, New York State has extended remote meetings through January 15, 2022 effective September 1, 2021. We, the Village of Maybrook will continue to host in-person Village Meetings while wearing a mask and switch back to virtual meetings if the COVID-19 cases and/or the variant poses a significant threat for the safety of the employees and residents. As of now, the COVID-19 Active Cases in Orange County has been at or around 1000 cases. Residents will be notified through the website if we return to virtual meetings.
* **Orange County “Health and Fitness Day”-** Orange County will be hosting a “Senior Health and Fitness Day” on Tuesday, September 14th from 10 am to 2 pm at the Thomas Bull Memorial Park – Day Camp Area. It’s a FREE day of health, fitness and fun which includes many activities and helpful information. Registration is required! For more info and to sign up contact Danielle Diana-Smith 845-615-3719 or email ddsmith@orangecountygov.com
* **Orange County Fireman’s Parade-**The Orange County Volunteer Fireman’s Parade will be held on Saturday, September 25th in the Village of Montgomery. Line-up is 1 pm and Step-off is 2 pm. The Village of Maybrook Board of Trustees are invited to march in the paradewith the Maybrook Fire Department. I will be attending the parade along with Maybrook Police Chief Butch Amthor.
* **Maybrook Police Department “Bike Rodeo and Petting Zoo”**– The Village of Maybrook Police Department and our sponsor Garnet Health will be hosting a “Bike Rodeo and Petting Zoo” on Saturday. September 25th from 1 pm to 3 pm at the Danny Meyer Park. There will be a bike raffle, bike registration, petting zoo, bike rodeo obstacle course, injury prevention information and car seat safety check. This event is open to children from 5 to 12 years old and all participants are encouraged to attend with their bicycles.
* **Women’s Recreation Softball.-** Women’s Recreation Softball continues their season into September. A revised schedule has been put together. Tomorrow evening was scheduled for the last game however make up games will begin this Thursday. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings to make up the games before the fall chill sets in. The schedule will be posted on the Village of Maybrook website.
* **Maybrook Co-ed Recreation Volleyball-**The Maybrook Co-ed Recreation Volleyball program continues play and will be wrapping up their season in September as well.
* **Village of Maybrook “Fall” Community Wide Yard Sale**– The Village of Maybrook “Fall” Community Wide Sale is scheduled for Saturday, October 2nd throughout the village from 8 am to 3 pm. All residents are welcome to participate.
* Orange County Youth Soccer Program- The Orange County Youth Soccer Program is set to open their fall season this this coming Saturday, September 18th in the village. Please use extra caution when traveling in the park in the coming weeks.
* **Next Village Board Meeting-** Our next Village Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 27, 2021 at 7 pm. Please stay in touch with the Village of Maybrook website and Facebook Page.

**TRUSTEES’ REPORTS**

**TRUSTEE KEVIN GREANY-** Advised the sewage treatment plant is good.

Advised on the Ambulance Corps Committee, advised they have met three times, don’t know where it’s going yet, the problem is volunteers. The Town is putting in some funding and the rest would be on the taxpayers and the committee wants to know what the cost is, so we know what it is for the taxpayers, we are already paying a tax for the fire company, one million a year? They want 24/7 365 days a year and also discussed paid fire department. There is another meeting is in October. There is a lot of work and a lot of money involved, wants to make certain it is centrally located between the Town and villages. He will keep all posted as they go along.

**TRUSTEE JAMES R BARNETT-** Advised the Building Inspector issued a Stop Work Order on a property that was doing a quite large extension without any approvals, paperwork is going in to the Planning Board.

Advised on Tony Marano, 97 years old, a WWII veteran and was honored in the parade in Montgomery and he was very emotional, he deserves it. He really appreciated it.

**DEPUTY MAYOR ROBERT PRITCHARD-** Advised the 9/11 service at David Weiss and the firehouse were very nice.

Advised please check his new email address, he sent to all.

**TRUSTEE DARYL CAPOZZOLI-** Thanked all for coming to the Fire Department on 9/11.

Advised Chief on 9/19 for the Flag Raising Ceremony they would like to close Volunteer Place & Main Street at 8AM. There will be a breakfast afterwards, expecting 100-150 people, flag raising and breakfast then the parade. Advised on comments received regarding the County Parade. People are asking why it wasn’t in Maybrook, Bob Reynolds was 5th V.P. five years ago and missed his turn due to COVID 19, Orange County Firemen’s Association did not think this was right, so we agreed to host together, we thought as an association it is the right thing to do.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**ENGINEER SEAN HOFFMAN-** Advised they are busy with Adams Drive, will be first on Matt’s list to get done when he gets back.

Advised the paving work for Prospect Avenue is scheduled for first week of October.

Advised on trying to improve the intersection at Clark Place on the easterly side.

Advised Donnie at the sewage treatment plant wants to paint the control building (white) behind the Village of Maybrook sign, will talk to him about power washing.

Advised the sewer lining is ongoing, contractor is cooperating.

Advised on sidewalks work, Oak to William Street price is a little higher, looking into this.

Advised the curbs at Abbey Avenue are replaced and completed, the residents can use their driveways.

Advised we are still trying to re-assign work for sidewalks from DASNY Grant.

Thanked Mayor for staff meetings, he appreciates it and if we can continue it helps.

Motion by Trustee Pritchard, seconded by Trustee Greany, meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Valentina Johnson

Village Clerk-Treasurer