

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WARWICK
JULY 25, 2023, 9:00 A.M.
SPECIAL MEETING**

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The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Warwick was held on Tuesday, July 25, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Village Hall, 77 Main Street, Warwick, NY. Present was: Mayor, Michael J. Newhard, Trustees: Barry Cheney, Carly Foster, and Mary Collura. Also, present was Deputy Village Clerk Jennifer Mante and Warwick Fire Chief Michael Contaxis. Absent was Trustee Thomas McKnight.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
The Deputy Village Clerk held the roll call.

Civil Service Positions - Laborers

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Collura, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to add (5) five additional Laborer positions to the Village of Warwick Civil Service position control and authorize the Mayor to sign form MSD-222 in accordance with Orange County Civil Service requirements.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Collura Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

New York State Consolidated Funding Application - Zoning Revision Project

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to submit a 2023 New York State Consolidated Funding Application for the Department of State Smart Growth Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program for the Village of Warwick Zoning Revision Project and authorize the Mayor to sign the same.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Collura Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

New York State Consolidated Funding Application - Multi-Use Trail Study

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to submit a 2023 New York State Consolidated Funding Application for the Empire State Development Strategic Planning and Feasibility Study Funding Program for the Village of Warwick Multi-Use Trail Feasibility Study project and authorize the Mayor to sign the same.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Collura Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

New York State Consolidated Funding Application - Warwick Dam Safety Repair/Rehabilitation Project

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to submit a 2023 New York State Consolidated Funding Application for the New York State Department of Environment Conservation Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) Program for the Village of Warwick Dam Safety Repair/Rehabilitation project and authorize the Mayor to sign the same.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Collura Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A NEW YORK STATE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT (WIIA) GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF WARWICK WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Warwick duly caused to be prepared a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) recommending improvements to the Village's Reservoir Water Storage Tank; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements to such water system components include upgrades such that the Reservoir Water Storage Tank will meet the Recommended Standards for Waterworks; and

WHEREAS, the Project will include construction of two (2) new water storage tanks, replacing the existing Reservoir Tank; and

WHEREAS, the opinion of probable project costs of these improvements, is \$3,600,000; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board now desires to pursue grant funding for the project under the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Warwick, Orange County, New York, authorizes the submission of a New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to submit an application on behalf of the Village for grant funding under the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) Program, and to execute any agreements, instruments or other documents in connection with the Village's acceptance of any such grants and/or the funding thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor may authorize any required local match required with respect to financing or grants awarded to the Village for the Project through the use of cash and/or in-kind services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Trustee Cheney presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Foster,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows: **APPROVED**

Barry Cheney, Trustee, voting Aye

Carly Foster, Trustee, voting Aye

Thomas McKnight, Trustee, voting Absent

Mary Collura, Trustee, voting Aye

Michael Newhard, Mayor, voting Aye

Reservoir Water Tank Replacement

WHEREAS, the Village of Warwick (the “Village”) owns and operates a municipal water system (the “Water System”) serving the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village is currently in the design phase of the Reservoir Water Storage Tank Replacement Project, in response to the tank being near the end of its useful life; and

WHEREAS, the current engineer’s opinion of probable construction cost for the Reservoir Water Storage Tank Replacement Project [hereinafter collectively the "Project"] is Three Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars \$3,600,000.00 [the “Capital Project Cost”]; and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to finance the Project through issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,600,000.00 pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, although the Village will pay the full amount of the Capital Project Cost through bonding, the Village is also applying to the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (“WIIA”) Program seeking a grant for sixty (60) percent of eligible costs related to the Project, and, if the WIIA grant application is approved, the amount required to be bonded will be concomitantly decreased; and

WHEREAS, although the Village will pay the full amount of the Capital Project Cost through bonding, the Village maintains a capital reserve fund which, depending on certain future circumstances, may be available to provide funds to pay a portion of the costs related to the Project, and, if such capital reserve funds ultimately are available to pay a portion of the cost of the Project, the amount required to be bonded will be concomitantly decreased; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village has conducted Public Information Meetings to take comments from the public on the Village's proposed improvements to the Water System which constitute the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED** as follows:

1. That the Village Board of Trustees hereby determines that the Village shall undertake the Reservoir Water Storage Tank Replacement Project; and
2. That the work to be undertaken in the Project shall be the replacement of the Reservoir Water Storage Tank, including the construction of two (2) 600,000 gallon water storage tanks, demolition of the existing Reservoir Tank, connection of the two (2) new tanks to the existing water system, site restoration, engineering services, associated administrative and legal services, and other ancillary costs necessary to complete the Project; and
3. That funding for the Project shall be provided through issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,600,000.00 , less any amount which may ultimately be received through a WIIA grant or any amount which may be available from the Village's capital reserve funds; and
4. That upon completion of the Project, the new Reservoir Water Storage Tanks shall merge into the already existing Water System.

Trustee Cheney presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by
Trustee Foster,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows: **APPROVED**

Barry Cheney, Trustee, voting Aye

Carly Foster, Trustee, voting Aye

Thomas McKnight, Trustee, voting Absent

Mary Collura, Trustee, voting Aye

Michael Newhard, Mayor, voting Aye

Discussion

Trustee Cheney explained that the capacity of the two new tanks together would be greater than the current tank but would not replace the potential capacity that may be lost if the lower reservoir must be lowered. Mayor Newhard asked if the new tanks would increase capacity. Trustee Cheney clarified that the new tanks would allow them to store more water but the amount they can create depends on the elevations and capacity of the reservoirs.

Acceptance of Bid Proposal - Ackerley & Hubbell Appraisal Corporation

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Collura, and carried to accept the proposal from Ackerley & Hubbell Appraisal Corporation from Fishkill, New York, to perform appraisal on behalf of the Village at a cost not to exceed \$1,450.00 and for the Mayor to enter into a contract to provide these services.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Collura Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

Discussion

Mayor Newhard explained that at the last meeting they discussed hiring an appraiser to look at a Village property they are considering. The Village received two quotes, the more desirable being from Ackerley & Hubbell Appraisal Corporation.

Final Comments from the Board

Trustee Cheney announced that the Village of Warwick will be flushing fire hydrants starting July 31, 2023, from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. This is to clear out sediment and ensure the hydrants are working properly. The water may be discolored during this time but will clear up and is not harmful. Residents may experience temporary pressure changes while hydrants in their area are flushed. Trustee Foster suggested flushing during the day may be less disruptive since many people are at work then. However, others noted that flushing during the day could impact traffic as the hydrants were along the roadways. Mayor Newhard said they will discuss the timing with Chris Bennett. The hydrant flushing reminder will be available on Facebook and the Village website.

Adjournment

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Collura, seconded by Trustee Cheney, and carried to adjourn the regular meeting at approximately 9:20 a.m.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Collura Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

Jennifer Mante, Deputy Village Clerk