July 18, 2023

Mayor Ronald O. Dievendorf called meeting to order at 6:44 pm with Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees attending were Peter Lyden, Tracey Stetin, Eddie Watt and Bill Jones.

Peter wished to include a new item on the agenda: emergency declaration for Orchard Street culvert.

Lyden made a motion to change the August meeting date to Tuesday 8. 2023 so as not to conflict National Night Out. Second: Watt. Motion was carried.

Jerry Ward indicated that our Dam Safety Assessment at Mud Road is due and would like to begin contracting the inspection process. Watt moved- Lyden seconded. Motion was carried.

National Night Out 2023 proclamation

WHERES, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program on Tuesday, August 1st 2023 called “National Night Out”; AND

WHEREAS, the “39th Annual National Out” provides a unique opportunity for the Village of Canajoharie to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police-community crime prevention efforts; AND

WHEREAS, the Village of Canajoharie plays a vital role in assisting the Canajoharie Police Department through joint crime, drug and violence prevention efforts in the Village of Canajoharie and is supporting “National Night Out 2023” locally; AND

WHERESAS, it is essential that all citizens of the Village of Canajoharie be aware of the importance of crime programs and the impact that their participation can have on reducing crime, drug and violence in the Village of Canajoharie; AND

WHEREAS, police-community partnerships, neighborhood safety, awareness and cooperation are important themes of the “National Night Out” program.

NOW THEREFORE, I do hereby call upon all citizens of the Village of Canajoharie to join the Canajoharie Police Department and the National Association of Town Watch in supporting the “39th Annual National Out” on August 1st, 2023.

FURTHER, Let it be resolved that I, Mayor Ronald O. Dievendorf, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, August 1at, 2023 as “National Night Out” in the Village of Canajoharie, Montgomery county, New York

Mayor Ronald O. Dievendorf

Jerry Ward asked if we would make an emergency declaration for the repair of the Orchard Street culvert, which carries the creek underground and blew out during the recent heavy rain damaging a homeowner’s property.

This portion of the box culvert in question, if left as is in the short-term, poses a possibility that further damage and erosion to private property, as well as the potential of overwhelming the existing Orchard and Moyer Streets storm sewer, which could wash out this portion of roadway and private property downstream.

Lyden moved- Watt seconded. Motion was carried.

Watt made motion to go into an executive session to discuss personnel. Jones seconded. Motion was carried.

Watt made motion to come out of the executive session. Lyden seconded. Motion was carried.

The Village Board decided to hire Raymond Renzi as Police Chief starting on August 1, 2023. Watt made motion. Seconded Jones. Motion was carried.

The Village Board decided to hire Allen Barr as a DPW employee contingent of Barr passing the Commercial Class B driver license within 1 year. Watt made the motion. Lyden seconded. Motion was carried with Jones abstaining.

Lyden moved that meeting be adjourned. Watt seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Ronald O. Dievendorf, Mayor