

VILLAGE OF CATTARAUGUS  
14 Main Street, Cattaraugus, NY 14719

Regular Board Meeting  
March 11, 2019

**PRESIDING:** Wirt Smith, *Mayor*

**PRESENT:** *Trustees:* Robert Botsford, Jason Crawford, George Borrowdale; Eugene Doucette, *Treasurer;* Jon Wolfe, *DPW Superintendent;* Dan Waasdorp *Police;* Frank Watson, *Code Enforcement;* Betsy Wolfe-Widrig, *Deputy Clerk;* Tamara Stallard-Mormile, *Recording Secretary*

**ABSENT:** *Trustees:* Diane Wienk

**VISITORS:** Doug Johnson, Cynthia Fleming-Johnston, Johnny Johnston, Joseph Korbar, *Residents*

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Deputy Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Smith arrived at 7pm.

The proposed budget is too high. Cuts need to be made. DPW Superintendent Wolfe cut quite a bit from his budget to keep the budget under the tax cap. Other cuts were made and the budget is good to go.

**Resolution #86– 2018/2019 Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Trustee Borrowdale, second by Trustee Crawford the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** AYE 3 Borrowdale, Botsford, Crawford  
NAY 0

**RESOLVED,** To approve February 8, 11, and 20th minutes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Johnny Johnston, Joseph Korbar: The traffic on Leavenworth street is bad. There are too many heavy trucks traveling on the street, which is limited to 5 ton trucks. Many trucks that are much heavier than 5 tons travel this road, and they are causing damage. Also, many cars speed on this street. It has become dangerous. Mr. Johnston also has issues with DPW Superintendent working too many hours and plowing the roads too much. It was explained how important it is to keep the roads clear, for the safety of the residents. Also, Mr. Wolfe is a salaried employee The village absolutely benefits from this arrangement, as Mr. Wolfe is only paid for 40 hours of work a week, while putting in many, many more hours for the job. Mr. Johnston apologized for his comment, as he wasn't aware that Mr. Wolfe was a salaried employee. Officer Waasdorp was made aware of the issues on Leavenworth and will do what is necessary to help the issues.

**REPORTS:**

1. Police: He spoke to Dr. Huff. She would like the village proposal for the cop position in writing. He has made arrangements for Leavenworth to get more attention.
2. Code Enforcement: Frank is having some issues locating the owner of a property. Another property needs to be reminded for a 2<sup>nd</sup> time about the issues with the stairs at their property.
3. Treasurer: A check needs correction. We need a tax rate by April 20<sup>th</sup>. The budget was tweaked and now reflects a \$30,000 savings. We were given a report from Mercer.
4. DPW: Senior Building construction discussion. The engineers are still working on the plans, but they are coming along nicely. There needs to be a decision on where to place the existing sculpture. He has been in contact with the historical society regarding bricks for 353. He will pay for the new truck between 3 different accounts. The plans for the bathroom remodel were discussed.
5. Clerk: Only one out of 5 places contacted came to look at the bathroom. That one place obviously was chosen to do the work.
6. Mayor: At the organizational meeting, he would like to create a position, advisor to the mayor and board. Mr. Botsford would be perfect for the position. Also, he would like to create a notable person award for village residents. He's looking into a program for beautification Cattaraugus.

**Resolution #87– 2018/2019 Treasurer Raise**

On a motion by Trustee Botsford, second by Trustee Crawford, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** AYE 3 Borrowdale, Botsford, Crawford  
NAY 0

**RESOLVED,** To raise the treasurer salary to \$7,500.00 per year.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Nobody has any recommendations for the open Zoning Board position.

**Resolution #88– 2018/2019 Approval of Abstract**

On a motion by Trustee Crawford, second by Trustee Botsford, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** AYE 3 Botsford, Borrowdale, Crawford  
NAY 0

**RESOLVED**, to approve the abstract.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #89 – 2018/2019 Adjournment**

On a motion by Trustee Botsford, second by Trustee Crawford, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** AYE 3 Botsford, Borrowdale, Crawford  
NAY 0

**RESOLVED**, adjourn the meeting at 9:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara Stallard-Mormile  
Recording Secretary  
Village of Cattaraugus Board of Trustees

**NEXT MEETING:**

Bid award meeting March 20, 2019 6:00 pm

Regular Board Meeting/Budget Hearing April 8, 2019. 7:00 pm