The Village of Schuylerville Board of Trustees met at its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 7, 2017 at the Village Municipal Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Daniel Carpenter, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call: Present were Mayor Daniel Carpenter; Trustees Daniel Baker, Brian Drew; Village Attorney David Klingebiel; Clerk/Treasurer Anna Welfley, and a few residents. Absent were Trustees Robert Petralia and Nicole Proctor.

Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 12 meeting, seconded by Trustee Drew. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0

Mayor Carpenter read the announcements for upcoming meetings and events.

REPORTS

Treasurer Anna Welfley read from her prepared report the bank balances as of July 31. Village tax collection is in the second penalty phase. All Village tax collection will end October 13 at which time all unpaid taxes will be sent to Saratoga county Clerk for inclusion on the January Town and County tax bill. The first quarter sewer billing has been sent.

Code Enforcement Officer Gil Albert reported on July activities that included several inspections as well as issuing building permits. Trustee Baker asked about the house at 88 Pearl Street. Mr. Albert responded that the home has been purchased and is being taken town by the new owner. Mayor Carpenter read a complaint form submitted by Frances Kerr, owner of Print Says on Broad Street. She stated that the neighboring property has unsightly trash, junk and storage on the front porch and asking that the Village Board please address this problem. Mayor Carpenter asked that Mr. Albert look into this problem. Mr. Albert will follow up with the landlord/ homeowner.

Department of Public Works Supervisor Rob Decker was unable to attend the meeting. Trustee Baker reported on what was reported at the workshop by Mr. Decker. The FEMA update on the storm ‘Stella’ had nothing new to report. The paving for Green Street is still in the quoting process.
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Fire Department Chief Brian Myers was unable to attend the meeting and did not provide a report.

Historian Kristina Saddlemire reported on the Visitor’s Center activity for July. There were 154 visitors in the month and represented folks throughout the United States as well as many more locals. She stated that she has received praise for both docents. She thanked the Board for the supplies provided for the care of the Visitor’s Center. Ms. Saddlemire is preparing for a presentation of OSHA in September. The Boy Scout volunteer is forwarding her paperwork to begin the historical sign painting. There will be no sanding done because of the possible existing original lead paint. The lettering will be painted over. There is a new round of grants in September 2017 that could provide funding for the Tow Path signage for the whole length of the path from the Schuyler House. The grant funds would have to be matched with in-kind service.

Planning Board did not have a report. Clerk Welfley reported on the status of the Dollar General building and the new planned Stewarts store.

Sewer Chief Operator Charles Sherman reported to the Board on the flow meter repair and the efforts to resolve the problem. Mr. Sherman discussed the FOG program that was begun by former Chief Operator Bogardus. The amount of grease in the system is a problem that needs to be addressed. Code Enforcement Officer Albert stated that there needs to be regulations and enforcement. He could send a notice to all Village restaurant owners and require a report on the disposition of the grease they accumulate. Attorney Klingebiel will look into the FOG program enforcement. Attorney Klingebiel asked of Mr. Sherman the contact information for Smith Controls and he will work on the issue of the flow meter.

Water Board Chairman Daniel Baker reported from the minutes of the July 17th Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Meeting. The Saratoga Apple Farm, an outside user, has a water line that runs through private property and the issue is being worked on and close to resolution. He reported on the DCK Plant Operations Report for the month. The water service issue to 7 Horicon Avenue is being worked on to come to a resolution equitable for the property owner and the Water Board. The Board had a comprehensive presentation on water meter current technology from the Kamstrup Company.

Trustee Bake made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation at 7:50 pm, seconded by Trustee Drew. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0

Trustee Drew made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:59 pm, seconded by Trustee Baker. The result of the session was discussion on the ongoing litigation with the Village of Victory Mills concerning their nonpayment of sewer charges. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0
PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Wendy Lukas, Green Street, had a question on page 3 of the water board minutes that was answered by Trustee Baker. She also commented that she was happy that the water board did not purchase a replacement road saw that was damaged by the Victory Mills DPW.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Carpenter reported that there was forward movement on research and quoting efforts for the proposed paving on a portion of Green Street

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the OSAA Youth football Coin Drop for September 23 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, seconded by Trustee Drew. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0

Trustee Baker restated that all future coin drops in the Village require that participants must be wearing a safety vest and no one 18 years of age be allowed to collect for a coin drop.

Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the OSAA Football activities for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week at Fort Hardy Park during the months of August, September and October, seconded by Trustee Drew. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the vouchers presented for payment for the General Fund - $102,764.90 and the Sewer Fund with the exception of voucher #119956, #119943 and the vouchers for Smith Controls is pulled for future approval, seconded Trustee Drew. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0

Trustee Drew made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm, seconded by Trustee Baker. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna M. Welfley
Clerk/Treasurer