

Board of Trustees
Village of Black River



Agenda
Regular Meeting
November 4, 2024

- Call to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of the 10/7/2024 regular meeting minutes
- Public Comment
- Police Department Report
- Code Enforcement Report
- Clerk-Treasurer Report
- Superintendent's Report

Correspondence Received:

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| A) Sally Ploof Hunter Memorial Library | <u>Re:</u> Assistance from DPW hanging lights |
| B) Case & Leader LLP | <u>Re:</u> Golf Carts & Speed Limit Change |
| C) Charter Communications | <u>Re:</u> Franchise Renewal |
| D) Bower's & Company | <u>Re:</u> Private Audit Quote |

Correspondence Sent:

Unfinished Business:

- A) Discuss new Department of Public Works employee pay range for job posting
- B) Discuss new Superintendent, Eric Nier's, hourly rate of pay & water license increase
- C) Discuss Deputy Clerk applications

New Business:

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| A) B.R.I.C | <u>Re:</u> Reactivating the Committee |
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- Reports from Standing Committees
- Reports from Special Meetings
- Authorize payment of bills; adjournment

Village of Black River
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
October 7, 2024

Mayor Leonard called the regular meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor David Leonard
Trustee Corey Decillis
Trustee Bonnie Proven
Trustee David Daily
Trustee Randy Lake
Superintendent Les Williams
Clerk-Treasurer Abigail Simpson
Police Chief Steve Wood
Code Enforcement Officer Terry Ault

Absent:

A motion was made by Trustee Lake, seconded by Mayor Leonard to approve the minutes of the 9/9/24 regular meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Resident Lee Carpenter brought in registration stickers that he had made and purchased to show examples of what they could look like for golf carts within the village. The board is waiting to hear back from the attorney on some questions around the speed limit needing to be changed. They will then draft a proposal and set a date and time to hold a public hearing.

Police Department Report: Police Chief Wood stated that Officer Rupert and himself worked a total of 68.5 hours last month. He also stated that they both patrolled the block party on September 14th and they will both be patrolling the village on Halloween. Police Chief Wood stated that he has been working on getting records together for a civil case on a building that collapsed in 2020.

Code Enforcement Report: Code Enforcement Officer Ault stated that he had issued three permits; two decks and one porch.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Williams stated that D&N Tanks is finished with the reservoir rehabilitation. He also stated that Eric Nier completed his water school and passed the 2B test. Superintendent Williams stated that he wrote his letter to the Department of Health and they came out for an interview, Eric's license was automatically issued. He also stated that NCC installed two new meters in the pits for Rutland without check valves, this caused one meter to

turn backwards. It took two weeks to get the check valves to put in, NCC came back out and installed them for us at our cost, not Rutland's. Master Meter came out and reset the meter to zero on Monday, September 30th. Superintendent Williams stated most of the month has been spent on working on the Lead and Copper Report and that it will be submitted to the state this week. He also stated that they had a meeting with the Town of LeRay to talk about how much water we have to sell. The Town of LeRay has also hauled in their sand for the year to cover the village doing their plowing. Superintendent Williams stated that they have cleaned the springs, the number two spring house is not in good shape. It appears to be boiling up a dark substance and you can push through the building its so rotted, a total rebuild would be necessary. He also stated that Rutland continues to expand, they have hooked up three new homes to the water supply. Superintendent Williams stated that Levi Brownell has given his notice and his last day will be around November 1st. He also stated that someone is clearing trees on Howe Street and it raises concern that it may be on our property. The DEC previously advised the village leave the land alone to avoid a landfill cleanup. Superintendent Williams stated that it may be a good idea to have the property surveyed and locate the pins.

Correspondence Received: The board reviewed a letter from the Department of Health regarding the Lead and Copper rule revisions. Mayor Leonard is going to set up a meeting with Bernier & Carr. The board received and reviewed a letter from North Star Alliance regarding a certificate of need (CON). The board discussed having a special meeting with the Black River Ambulance Squad come the end of this month or beginning of next month. The board reviewed a letter from attorney Case & Leader LLP regarding the use of golf carts on village streets. The board reviewed a letter from Charles Stafford, Chairman of the Black River Planning Board, regarding the removal of a planning board member.

A motion was made by Trustee Decillis, seconded by Trustee Daily to send a certified letter to Planning Board Member, John Hoering, signed by Mayor Leonard. The motion was carried unanimously.

The board received and reviewed resignation letters from Superintendent Leslie Williams and MEO Levi Brownell.

A motion was made by Trustee Lake, seconded by Mayor Leonard to advertise for the MEO position on the website and indeed. The motion was carried unanimously.

Correspondence Sent: NONE

New Business: NONE

A motion was made by Trustee Decillis, seconded by Trustee Lake to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, that the following abstracts of audited voucher be approved: regular monthly abstract dated 9/17/24 in the amount of \$140,018.66 (General Fund: \$28753.20 Water Fund: \$111,265.46). The motion was put to a vote as follows:

Mayor Leonard	Yes
Trustee Lake	Yes
Trustee Proven	Yes
Trustee Daily	Yes
Trustee Decillis	Yes

The motion was carried and the resolution duly adopted.

A motion was made by Trustee Decillis, seconded by Trustee Daily to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee Proven, seconded by Trustee Decillis to enter into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made at by Mayor Leonard, seconded by Trustee Decillis to exit out of executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mayor Leonard, seconded by Trustee Daily to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Abigail Simpson
Clerk-Treasurer