The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Attica was held on August 15, 2023, at the Attica Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

#### **Members Present:**

The following members were present: Mayor Nathan Montford, Trustees Hans Walker Jr., Matthew Sage, Gary Guralny and Pam Rudolph.

#### Others Present:

Others present: Administrator Douglas Post, Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Matt Durfee, Police Chief Dean Hendershott, First fire Chief Jay Myers, Gary Wysko, Sharon Passamonte, Kim Guralny, Craig Wolcott, Ike Boss, Barb Higgins, Brody Wheeler, Vic Marrale, Kelly Foster, Brandy Foster, Lucas Foster, Sheryl Foster, Lance Swader, Alfie Vaugan, Dave Sheeler, Sandy Brewer, Josey Brewer, Dan Sawyer, and Barb Montford.

#### Minutes and Claims Approved:

**Motion** was made by Trustee Walker seconded by Trustee Sage that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 18, 2023 be approved as presented.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

#### **Transfers between appropriations**

**Motion** was made by Trustee Rudolph seconded by Trustee Guralny that the Village board approves the following transfers between appropriations for the 2023-2024 year.

\$9,346.10 from A4089 to A8120.4

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

#### **Approve Claims**

**Motion** was made by Trustee Rudolph seconded by Trustee Guralny that the following claims be approved and the Clerk instructed to draw checks therefore:

General Fund claims in the amount of \$32,471.21 as set forth in Abstract #3
Water Fund claims in the amount of \$30,707.76 as set forth in Abstract #3
Sewer Fund claims in the amount of \$28,117.60 as set forth in Abstract #3
Comprehensive Plan update claims in the amount of \$12,334.32 as set forth in Abstract #3
Capital Pump Station repairs claims in the amount of \$4,601.66 as set forth in Abstract #3

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

## 2023-83 Approve Citation for the Attica Rodeo Association

**Motion** was made by Trustee Rudolph seconded by Trustee Guralny that the Village Board approves the following resolution

Attica Rodeo Association 65 Years Citation of Service

## WHEREAS:

During the 1950's the world of television and movies presented the life of an American Cowboy to audiences across America including scenes of the western cowboy competing with each other the skills they practiced daily upon the ranches of the West. The cowboys called these competitions Rodeo. Many years previous to television and movies, the East had been introduced to the Rodeo and the life of a cowboy through the Buffalo Bill Shows in majors cities but no such event ever came to the rural County of Wyoming in Western New York.

### WHEREAS:

Wyoming County was farmland. Once the borders of the West. Cow and horse country. Almost the entire population centered around the daily chores of farming. Even though tractors came into being, the farmers kept their horses on which their kids learned to ride at a very young age. It was these children who would view the movies of the age and learned the word of Rodeo. As teenagers they would remark we can do these cowboy things and developed their skills of roping, branding, horse breaking and racing around barrels set up in the fields competing against the kids of neighboring farms.

#### WHEREAS:

Local men, such as, David Wheeler, Dave Leslie, Bernie Buckenmeyer, Everett VanSon and Gene Reding, brought Rodeo to the hills of Wyoming County. During February of 1958, along with four others formed the Attica & Chaffee Rodeo Club. It was formed for the youth of the area who had an interest in horsemanship and Rodeo. Soon others joined the ranks including Dean Sawyer who brought the first bull to Attica Rodeo. On July 24, 1958, the Attica News announced their goal of bringing a Rodeo to Attica to being held August 9 & 10<sup>th</sup> on the Ellsworth Putnam Grounds south of the Village of Attica. These young men worked very hard purchasing rodeo stock, preparing the grounds, fencing the new arena and putting spot lights upon old poles. Would their dream materialize and would the population support the dream? The event was a huge success as the locals parked their cars along the fence and sat upon their car hoods to view the very first rodeo to be held in Attica.

#### Whereas:

The legacy of these young men of the A&C Rodeo Club survives today as the Attica Rodeo and Show Association with the honor of being recognized as one of the top 8 community rodeos in the country right there with Cody, Wyoming; Reno, Nevada, Pendleton, Oregon; Salinas, California and River Ranch, Florida

**Now, Therefore** I as Mayor of the Village of Attica wish to Congratulate the members of Attica Rodeo and Show Association on 65 years of success and a true thank You from myself and the residents of the Village for all the hard work of its members for bringing Rodeo to the population

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Public Safety** – Police Chief Hendershott submitted his monthly activity report. Jay Myers reported on the Rodeo parking. Mayor Montford congratulated him on 50 years of service to the Attica Fire Department.

#### Liaison- None

#### Planning Board- none

**DPW**- WTP Chief Operator Matt Durfee reported on the plans and progress of the new plant. Trustee Walker discussed the meeting with DPW Foreman Kazmierczak.

**Administrator** – Administrator Post presented the bank reconciliation, Assessors, Treasurers and Justice Reports. He presented a request form the Fire Department for a new member. He discussed the bag prices and year end report. He presented the Annual Financial Report (AFR) that was submitted to the State.

## Old Business -

**New Business**- Chief Hendershott requested the hiring of a part time officer, and for the purchase of two additional cameras for the park.

Craig Wolcott attended the meeting to see if the Village had any ideas for the Chapel at Forest Lawn cemetery.

# 2023-84 Approve bank reconciliation report from treasurer for July 2023.

**Motion** was made by Trustee Rudolph seconded by Trustee Sage that the Village approves the bank reconciliation report from the Treasurer for the month ending July 2023.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

## 2023-85 Approve NYS DOT Snow and Ice Supplemental Agreement No 2 to Contract No. D014806

**Motion** was made by Trustee Walker seconded by Trustee Guralny that the Village Board approves the NYSDOT snow and ice Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to Contract No. D014806 to adjust for labor and materials.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

## 2023-86 Collection of Back taxes

**Motion** was made by Trustee Walker seconded by Trustee Sage that the Village Board adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Wyoming County adopted Local Law No. 12 of the year 1994 Providing for the Collection of Certain Delinquent Village Taxes by the County of Wyoming, and

WHEREAS, any village lying within the County of Wyoming may elect each year to have its delinquent Village taxes collected by the County of Wyoming in accordance with Section 1442 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, any village must request by resolution to have the County of Wyoming collect back taxes, said resolution to be adopted each year and a certified copy filed with the County Treasurer and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by October 1 of the same year,

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, that the Village of Attica elects to have it delinquent Village taxes collected by the County of Wyoming and that such list of unpaid taxes and certificate of delinquencies will be prepared and delivered to the Real Property Tax Department by November 15th.

**On the call of the roll,** the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. **The motion** was declared and carried.

#### 2023-87 New Fire Department member

**Motion** was made by Trustee Sage seconded by Trustee Walker that the Village board approves the membership of Wyatt Baker of 19 High Street Apt. 1, Attica into the Attica Fire Department.

**On the call of the roll,** the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. **The motion** was declared and carried.

# 2023-88 Village of Attica Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project SEQRA Resolution- Intent to Declare Lead Agency Status

**Motion** was made by Trustee Guralny seconded by Trustee Walker that the Village Board approves following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Village of Attica is developing plans to improve its Water Treatment Plant (WTP) located at 3368 Dunbar Road, Attica, NY 14011, to ensure WTP reliability and safe drinking water for service area residents.

WHEREAS, the Village of Attica Board of Trustees ("Village Board") is proposing the following scope of work to be completed:

- Construction of an approximate 1,500 square foot addition to the existing WTP building located at 3368 Dunbar Road (SBL 19.-1-54).
- 2) Construction of an approximate 500 square foot pumphouse at (No #) Dunbar Road (SBL 19.-1-58).
- 3) Proposed site improvements, including those necessary for the building expansion, include driveway modification, fill and grading, relocation of overhead electrical lines, buried piping modifications, septic system replacement, and exterior pump enclosure removal.

WHEREAS, the Village Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its environmental specialists and engineers with respect to the classification of the Proposed Action in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

WHEREAS, the Proposed Action is a Type I under SEQRA;

WHEREAS, the Village of Attica has commissioned LaBella Associates, D.P.C. to prepare Part 1 of the Full EAF for the project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with SEQRA, the Village Board intends to serve as Lead Agency to conduct an environmental review of Village of Attica Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project pursuant to SEQRA.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village Board will notify the Involved and Interested Agencies of its intention to act as Lead Agency for this project and has provided them with a copy of the completed Part 1 of the Full EAF for review.

**On the call of the roll,** the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. **The motion** was declared and carried.

# 2023-89 Hire of Casey S. Jackson as a part time officer

**Motion** was made by Trustee Sage seconded by Trustee Walker that the Village Board hires Casey S. Jackson as a part time Police officer.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes, Montford yes. The motion was declared and carried.

#### **Executive Session**

**Motion** was made by Trustee Walker seconded by Trustee Sage to enter into Executive session at 7:12 PM to discuss legal and personal matters.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. The motion was declared and carried.

Re-entered regular meeting at 7:47 pm

# Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 P.M. by Trustee Walker seconded by Trustee Sage.

**On the call of the roll,** the vote was as follows: Walker yes; Sage yes; Guralny yes; Rudolph yes. **The motion** was declared and carried.

Douglas A Post Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer