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- The Village is aware of the water problems and they are being addressed. We are seeking alternate sources of water and we will be having further discussions on the water itself, the issues and what can be done to mitigate them.
- An additional Public Hearing needs to be set for the next Board Meeting on April 12th at 7:20pm in regards to the Water Rates.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to schedule a Public Hearing for April 12th regarding Water Rates.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

- Monday, March 14 Melody Lane will be closed at Brookside Drive West until further notice with the exception of emergency vehicles, due to the redesign of the Mercedes Benz project which will begin.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Treasurer Report – see attached report

DPW – see attached report

Police Department – see attached report. Funds - \$30.00

Water Account Adjustments – see attached report

Building Department – see attached report

\$ 789.00	Building Permits
\$ 75.00	Certificate of Compliance
<u>\$ 525.00</u>	Violation Searches
\$ 1,389.00	Total

Chief Hendersen stated we have 102 for citations and it should be 104.

MARY HARRIMAN PARK FIELD REQUEST

The Mayor stated at the last meeting the Board authorized Trustee Chichester and Trustee Borowski to work with the Little League and other Leagues or Teams in regard to their request for field usage.

Trustee Chichester stated Trustee Borowski and I reviewed the letter we received from all three teams and I have prepared a chart. It is specific for dates and times that are different then the regular patterned usage. Trustee Borowski was in touch with the different Leagues and this chart reflects those conversations. We have a chart here we can accept tonight pending the receipt of the property insurance from the ones we did not receive it from.

MOTION was made by Trustee Shuart to accept the Park Field usage requests and chart for Mary Harriman Park for 2016 season.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

Mayor stated we would need contact numbers of couches in case of an emergency. Any of this commencing is subject to approval of the DPW Superintendent.

Trustee Chichester stated on the chart it states all authorized use of fields is subject to change at any time by the Village of Harriman.

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Mr. Chiarito – Monroe Woodbury Little League addressed the Board stated they would like to try to make a donation of ball clay to the Village and would like to know what time it should be delivered? I did get approval from the Board to do that purchase so I would like to make sure before I ordered that material that we are on the same page and also make sure you have my contact information on how I should communicate with you as far as field open and closures. I want to make sure no one is accessing the complex if it is closed. I did have a couple of issues I wanted to address that happened last year in particular to us. We take inventory and bring the equipment in at different times of the season to inspect and make sure it is meeting all safety aspects. We had a theft that took place two times last year that we couldn't determine if it was related to other access that has been granted to people using the fields. We never had a problem here before. We lost an AED Defibrillator which is a very expensive device and we lost a full set of umpire gear which was catcher, chest protector and helmets. The lock was physically missing off the box which is unheard of so it hadn't been cut or tossed into the woods. We are not quite sure. It was only at that point that I realized we need to reevaluate our insurance policy for the league because we have insurance like a rentals policy where we store our equipment at the lock out but not for field situations, but I wanted to make you aware that it took place. We lost a measuring wheel and we had quick dry and lime we were supplying down at the shed that was used by outside organizations and not replaced.

Trustee Chichester asked when this happened was it reported to our police?

Mr. Chiarito replied no, it was reported to Mr. Borowski. We did not realize at the time that the defibrillator was gone until the fall when equipment collection was made. They checked the list of information I had when the defibrillators were delivered to the fields and remember everyone is a volunteer, some got out and picked up equipment at a couple of fields and they all dropped it in the lock out and until I went in and inventoried it and checked the batteries and the pads and noticed the one from that field was not returned.

Trustee Chichester stated the sooner our police know the sooner they can help with any kind of investigation.

Mr. Chiarito replied it was from this fall and the batteries were pulled in right before we got sub-zero temperatures because they fail and they are very expensive. When I called to double check with the person who is the equipment manager who did the inventory he didn't get back to me. Literally I got the confirmation last week that indeed the one unit was missing. At that point I called to check on my insurance policy. We have no coverage out there so outside of filing a police report in the event the item show up somewhere and it could be reclaimed for Little League. It is labeled Monroe Woodbury Little League all over it.

Chief Henderson stated I will have one of my officers right now meet you at the station. You want to get this on record. Just give them all the information on the equipment that was taken any other entities that have access to the field as well. They will go over everything with you.

Mr. Chiarito stated normally for us we are able to look at the schedule and we know exactly who is on the field at whatever time, but there were times in the season we were told the field was unplayable and I got complaints from parent that people were playing on it. Obviously, no Little League Teams, so I called Frank to discuss it but Frank hasn't been on the Board since September that was a lapse in communication with our volunteers that is why I came tonight to make sure you were aware of it. I will fill out a report but I want you to know I have no recourse to pursue it other than if it turns up somewhere they are aware of it.

The Mayor stated make sure a report gets filled out. John is your contact.

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Mr. Chiarito asked being access is given to outside programs sometimes there is a crossover where there may be a parent who is a coach or volunteer in our program who knows the combination or has access to a key and then the equipment gets dragged out so if I drive by and I see the window opened on the shed or the mounts or bases are left out and I'm not even running a program at that time. That is kind of what happened. I wanted to make sure you were aware of this and I never had an issue before.

The Mayor stated I don't know what we could do to prevent it.

Mr. Chiarito responded what we want to do is obviously if we change the combination we would let you know and a lock for the divisions and the teams that are scheduled to play in that field will have access to those locks. I can't control any outside team that a given. I am familiar with the Crusader teams and we have a good working relationship. Any of the other outside teams if they bring someone in from a different Town we don't know.

The Mayor stated the only other ones here are the Crusaders.

Mr. Chiarito stated we love the facility and it is the closest thing we have to home.

Trustee Shuart commented thank you for your work with this.

Mr. Chiarito responded since we communicated we had zero issues. To address the opening of the field issue we do not hand out equipment until I get notified the fields are opened. If I get a call that someone is playing on the field they don't have any equipment from the league. Nothing will get handed out until we have a green light.

Trustee Shuart commented even if it is not your equipment it can still be your people.

Mr. Chiarito replied if ever you were given me a phone call that someone was there, I either call someone if, I'm not in the area, and someone drives by. We investigate it immediately. We have a disciplinary committee for that reason.

Trustee Chichester stated our police and other Village officials will have this chart and as an officer goes by and he sees someone who really shouldn't be there they are going to check on it.

Mr. Chiarito responded I would love to know too because I want to make sure we don't have any issues.

Mr. Hendersen stated if you ever have anything and you find out it is anything criminal or might have to do with the police department call us right away. Report to us before you report it to anyone else this way we can get right on it and maybe we can find out after following the trail.

Mr. Chiarito responded we weren't sure if one of the Empire equipment had been taken to one of the adjacent fields. The defibrillator was a big one for me. I had just purchased two more last year for a couple of thousand bucks. Thank you and have a great night.

RESOLUTION TO SELL PROPERTY –

The Mayor stated at the previous Board Meeting we declared the former Harriman Heights 1 Well site property as surplus. We need to approve notice of property for sale. The Village of Harriman will be selling the property identified as 51-1-1 in the Town of Monroe. If you are interested in purchasing this property your offer must be received by the Village of Harriman by 4pm March 31, 2016.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the ad be placed in the newspaper and the seven property owners around this property sent information.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

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AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

BUILDING INSPECTOR REQUEST-

The Mayor stated the Building Inspector would like to go to schooling in April which is part of the annual in-service hours with a \$300.00 registration fee along with commuting each day.

MOTION was made by Trustee Shuart to approve the Building Inspectors schooling.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

Trustee Shuart stated Thank you John for going to these schools.

SURPLUS DPW EQUIPMENT –

The Mayor stated we had a list of sixteen items that we had previously declared surplus out of all the items the Cooper 400 Watt Lights highest bid was \$16.00 and bidder never paid. I'm recommending that we declare them trash and dispose of them.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the Cooper 400 Watt Lights be disposed of.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

TREASURER REQUESTS -

Budget Transfer – dated March 4th

MOTION was made by Trustee Shuart to approve the Budget Transfer.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

Budget Modification – JCAP Grant (14,854.99) – this would create the revenue and expense line.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the Budget Modification.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT NYSDOT –

The Mayor stated this is to enable the municipality and/or the State DOT to work with a municipality on a problem when there is not an official emergency declared. There are provisions of reimbursement of materials used, if need be and it is good for sharing labor. We are not obligated nor are they.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the Shared Service Agreement with the NYSDOT.

SECOND was made by Trustee Shuart.

AYE: Trustee Shuart
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester

NAY:
NONE

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SET BUDGET WORKSHOP DATES –

The Mayor stated I would like to set the Budge Workshop Meetings for March 15th, 22nd and 29th at 7pm as needed.

Trustee Chichester stated he would like to inform the Board that I will be on vacation, but am not planning on going anywhere at this time.

O & R GREEN TEAM PROPOSAL –

The Mayor stated they are proposing some indoor lighting changes in which I will table until next meeting, due to the fact that I just receive the information this afternoon.

VILLAGE CLERK REQUEST –

The Mayor stated the Village Clerk has requested to attend three NYS Archives training workshops at no cost to the Village.

MOTION was made by Trustee Shuart to approve the Village Clerk’s request to attend the NYS Archive Workshops.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell.

AYE: Trustee Shuart	NAY:
Trustee Farrell	NONE
Trustee Chichester	

Trustee Shuart stated thank you Jane.

ATTORNEY REPORT –

The Mayor stated David has filed more paperwork regarding the RD Management water bill. We received the final paperwork from John Lanc regarding the water district that we are attempting to form within the Town of Woodbury for those customers that we currently serve their. I don’t know if you had time to read this letter in-front of you Marissa but we had objected the Thruway being lead agency. So then they named the Thruway as co-lead agency along with the DEC. Numerous other communities objected being co-lead agency. The way I read this is the DEC says if we object then we have to be the lead agency for the whole length of it.

Attorney Tuohy stated we have to read the law they are actually siting. It wouldn’t make sense for Harriman to be the lead agency for the entire length.

The Mayor stated if you would read that and get back to me.

Attorney Tuohy asked do you have a list of the other municipalities that rejected?

The Mayor replied I’m sure I do. Do you have anything for us?

Attorney Tuohy stated I have something from David which looks like a litigation.

The Mayor replied we will discuss that in Executive Session. Is there anything that needs to be done with the raffle selling from Access?

Attorney Tuohy replied there is nothing we have to do at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

None

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MOTION was made by Shuart to enter into Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege and a Litigation Item and for the DPW Superintendent to remain for a few minutes.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester.

ALL IN FAVOR.

At this time the Village Clerk was excused from the meeting.

The following was given by Mayor Welle:

Executive Session with Marissa Tuohy, Esq. and DPW Superintendent John Mulligan

MOTION was made by Trustee Farrell to adjourn Executive Session and return to the Regular Meeting.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Shuart.

ALL IN FAVOR.

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Chichester and **SECONDED** by Farrell to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Jane Leake, Village Clerk