The Village of Brownville Board Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, in the Board Room at the Brown Mansion, Brownville, NY.

Present: Mayor Connor Amy Baker-Trustee

Steve Mott - Trustee Mike Walrath - Trustee

Bob Goutremout – Trustee

Also Present: Superintendent Pickett Brandon Loomis

Nick Brenon Shawn Herron

Mayor Connor called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened the public hearing on the proposed tentative budget. Trustee Walrath made a motion seconded by Trustee Mott to approve the minutes as submitted, carried.

Trustee Baker abstained as she did not have a copy of the minutes.

Nick Brenon updated the Board on GB Days. General Brown High School rejected the GB Weekend proposal of people parking at the high school and being bused into the village. Mr. Brenon asked the Board if it would be possible for people to park at the DPW Barn. The Board does not want people parking at the DPW Barn.

Nick Brenon and Shawn Herron presented the Board with plans for a planter/bench the GB Committee would like to place on the mansion grounds. This bench would be in honor of Leo Thompson and all he has contributed to the village. Nick Brenon informed the Board about an attack on his dog as he was walking on Franklin Street. This attack was handled by our Village and the County Dog Control Officers.

Shawn Herron asked the Board to send letters to the state and county law enforcement agencies to ask for more patrolling during General Brown Weekend. Clerk West will send the letters this week. Shawn discussed the budgeted police line item. He feels we do not need a part time police officer. Between the state and county police agencies the village would be covered. This money could be put to good use in other areas of the budget.

Trustee Mott discussed the PFAS testing and asked if the Village was signed up for the PFAS Cost Recovery Program. Clerk West will check on this and make sure we are signed up.

Trustee Walrath would like to donate two soccer goals to the Village to place at the Mansion. The Board was in favor of this.

Superintendent Pickett asked the Board if the DPW crew could start their 10-hour workdays. Trustee Walrath made a motion seconded by Trustee Mott to allow the DPW crew to begin working 10-hour days beginning April 17, 2023. All were in favor, carried. Superintendent Pickett informed the Board that he will now start testing for ammonia, nitrate, and copper at the sewer plant.

A motion was made by Trustee Mott and seconded by Trustee Baker to adopt the following resolution:

**Resolved,** that the Village Clerk is authorized to expend from the Village’s Water Reserve Fund in the

Amount of $169,500, to pay preliminary engineering expenses for the Village of Brownville Capital Water Project, subject to permissive referendum. The motion was put to a vote as follows:

Mayor Connor yes

Trustee Mott yes

Trustee Goutremout yes

Trustee Baker yes

Trustee Walrath yes

The motion was carried, and the resolution duly adopted.

Mayor Connor would like Clerk West to send letter to Tim Garner to clean up all the tires and debris in his yard. There is also a lot of debris and trash behind three properties on Main Street. Clerk West will send letters to these property owners. Mayor Connor discussed a possible part time police officer candidate. He is very limited on the hours he can work as he has a full-time job. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Walrath, seconded by Trustee Goutremout to put a hold on hiring a new part time police officer. All were in favor, carried. Mayor Connor discussed some updates from Bernier Carr. Our Lawyer is working on letters to residents to go onto their property for core drillings and easements.

With no further discussion , Trustee Walrath made a motion seconded by Trustee Baker to close the public hearing and adopt the budget. All were in favor, carried. A motion was made by Trustee Walrath and seconded by Trustee Goutremout to pay the audited bills abstract 4A - $3,141.29 and 4B - $23,746.80 and adjourn at 8:35

Respectfully submitted,

Annette West, RMC

Clerk-Treasurer