The Town Board of the Town of Trenton held a Meeting at the Trenton Municipal Center, 8520 Old Poland Road, Barneveld, New York. Supervisor Godfrey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were: Councilmen Michael Bennison, Eric Taylor, Chris Crumb, Jim Farr and Deputy Town Clerk, Donna Mills. Also present: Susan Stockman, Kendra Kruse, William Clark

I. Meeting called to order by Supervisor Godfrey at 7:00 pm

II. Privilege of the Floor:

Susan Stockman wanted to talk about what to do with the South Trenton Community Hall. It's very old – from the 1870's and was the one room school and the church throughout the years. It was used by the Grange and community but it doesn't get used anymore. The building has some very serious structural problems. Dave Constable did an inspection and had some concerns about the building, although it did pass inspection. Kendra Kruse and William Clark just went through a huge clean up inside and out. They looked into historical designation but because of the money involved, they decided not to go that route. Looking for advice on what to do with the building, should they sell? There is no running water in the building or working bathrooms. They are having an open house on October 6th and will put flyers out to see if anyone is interested.

Godfrey said he would talk to our attorney to see what is involved in selling a property that is 5013(c) status.

III. Resolutions:

A. Fuel Proposals/Awards – Board discussed fuel pricing and reviewed the 4 bids. All agreed to go with Buell Fuel. Farr made motion to use Buell Fuel, seconded by Crumb, 5 ayes.

B. Meeting Minutes 8/28/2024 and 9/11/2024 – Taylor made motion to approve minutes from 08/28/24, seconded by Farr, 5 ayes.
Crumb made motion to approve minutes from 9/11/2024, seconded by Taylor, 5 ayes.

C. Prospect Library Sale – Pavia Commercial – Godfrey met with John Jweid from Pavia regarding a contract to sell the property. He thinks he has people that would be interested in investing in it as office space. He felt it should be sold at $159,000 with 7% to Pavia on the sale and a six month commitment. Godfrey will have Kate review the contract tomorrow. Will try to sell before the end of the year.
Crumb made motion for a Resolution to list the property with Pavia , seconded by Bennison, 5 ayes.

IV. Priority Issues:

A. Budget 2025 – Godfrey is working with Joe Smith and Audrey on pulling the budget together. Everything is pretty much done, he just needs a couple of numbers as far as the revenues. The Tentative Budget goes to the Clerk by 9/30/24. Godfrey will have the tentative budget to Rachel on the 30th which is next Monday. He would like to have another board meeting a week from today. He needs 2 days to get it in the paper so if at least 3 board members could meet next Wednesday, he will have a quick

budget meeting. Board has agreed to meet on Wednesday October 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm to review tentative budget then will ask for a resolution for a Public Hearing at the 10/9/2024 meeting. The Public Hearing can be done before the October 23rd meeting. That will meet the drop dead date of the Thursday after Election Day. After the Public Hearing on October 23, we can adopt it and it will be done. Godfrey said if we stay within the 2% we don't have to send it to the Comptroller until after it's adopted.

Taylor asked if they have to vote on the Barneveld Beautification in the budget. Godfrey said there wasn't money in there previously so he put $10,000 in. He is waiting for Kate to draw up a resolution. Will discuss the dollar amount at 10/2/2024 meeting.

B. Tennis Court Resurface – Scott Parsons, Tennis Coach at Holland Patent stopped in. He uses the tennis courts that the town owns and said they are in really bad shape. Wanted to know if there is something that can be done to get them repaired. Board will take a field trip to the take a look and see what needs to be done at the same time they look at the old barn that Stiehl asked them to look at. Godfrey said it's late to try to fit that in the budget now. Far asked about ARPA money. Godfrey said there might be some funds left.

C. Highway Storage Building – Godfrey went and looked at the building. There are broken windows, trees growing into the foundation. Board will take a look at the building. Godfrey told Stiehl to give them information on what he needs to as far as size, etc and told him to look at the All Temp buildings.

Discussion on the path going up to the high school There is a question as to who is responsible for the lighting and care of the path? Godfrey got a call about the path and the fact that it's in rough shape. Godfrey will talk with Jason and Rich to find out.

D. Ball Park Party – Godfrey received a call from Todd Hart. He wants to have an appreciation party on Monday evening 9/30/24 at the ball park. He's got guys from Brookfield, Rigall and others who donated time toward the ballfield. There will be adult beverages there so he was concerned and wanted to ask the board if it would be all right. Godfrey doesn't think there would be a problem but will check with town's insurance.

V. Communication: Next Meeting October 9, 2024

Farr made motion to adjourn the Board Meeting, seconded by Bennison, 5 ayes.
Meeting Adjourned 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Mills
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Deputy Town Clerk