Village of Northport
Finance Committee Minutes
April 10, 2024

Members present: Laura Cavendish, Jane Gale, Chris McCann
Staff present: Clerk Joni Scott, Manager Jim Dyer, Treasurer Diana Simons
Public present: Anne Harper

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

Public comment: Anne Harper asked about her request for non-gasoline powered leaf blowers.

Old Business
None

New Business
2024-25 Budget Planning
Treasurer Simons presented the consolidated CIP list and stated it was a work in-progress. Trustee Cavendish pointed out a few items missing from CIP. Treasurer Simons will add sidewalks and public restrooms to the CIP list. Clerk Scott referred to the development of the position budgets. Currently is not ready for review as she is still gathering data. Clerk Scot asked “how would you like to see the budget”? In the past it has been a budget worksheet. After discussion there was agreement to use the spreadsheet Clerk Scott is developing with both expense and revenue.

Trash pick-up
Clerk Scott verified there was $20K in the 2023 budget. There was discussion if we should use this money for a different project for example sidewalks improvements. Trustee Cavendish discussed alternative was to get the cost down.

Debt retirement schedule
Clerk Scott reviewed the Debt retirement schedule for the four bonds water, sewer, marina and vehicle equipment. Clerk Scott provides updated information on debt services payments for 2024-2035
Trustee Gale mentioned a workshop for possible funding for energy efficient project. Discussion of solar panels for the Village Offices took place. Manager Dyer stated there are ways to leverage energy tax credits. We would need to explore this option.

Public comment: Anne Harper advocates for environmental leadership on waste disposal and prioritizes sidewalk safety over trash pickup.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Submitted by,
Diana Simons, Treasurer