

At the Work Session of the  
Malone Village Board, held on  
February 15, 2023 at 9:00AM at  
343 West Main St. the following  
were present:

Andrea Dumas	Mayor
Archie McKee	Trustee
Norman Bonner	Trustee
Matthew Boyea	Trustee
Brian Langdon	Trustee

Also in Attendance:

Rebaska Scaccia, Village Clerk	Gary Spinner
Kristine Lashway, Village Treasurer	Al Durant
Alex Violo, Telegram	Pat Maguire
Dave Rohe, DANC	Matt Maguire
John Bashaw, II	

Mayor Dumas opened the work session at 9:00AM.

**MALONE EMS**

➤ **Extension of Town Ambulance District Discussion**

Trustee Bonner asked why is there a need to separate the Town and the Village in this action if Village residents are Town residents as well?

The Malone EMS didn't feel confident in addressing that question.

The Malone EMS did expand on their history. In 2011, they developed the Malone EMS, a non-Profit agency, that has paid staff and a no monetary contract with the Town of Malone. They currently have 26 staff and volunteers: 10 full-time, 13 part-time and 3 volunteers.

Under the districting law, a geographic ambulance district has to be formed with the Town of Malone first and then a resolution to expand that district to encompass the Village of Malone should follow.

The Malone EMS is looking to establish the full district at a contracted amount of \$450,000 annually, to be raised by taxes. If the Village agrees to have the Town district incorporate the

Village into it, the cost to residents would be an estimated \$45.56 per properties valued at \$100,000.

If the Village of Malone decides not to have the Town Ambulance District expanded to cover the Village the Malone EMS will shut its doors. They do not want Town residents alone to bear the tax burden.

Treasurer Lashway asked who handles the billing and revenue for the Malone EMS and will the costs remain the same if the Village joins the district or will rates go up?

EMS Representative John Bashaw II noted that the Malone EMS has a contract with a billing company and a collections company. All revenue and expenses are handled by the Malone EMS. It is planned that the current rates will remain the same. Ultimately, the tax revenue is to assist with equipment purchases. Billing assists in covering the cost of personnel. Those costs have increased and if it hadn't been for the COVID 19 money the EMS had been provided, the organization would not have stayed open.

Trustee Langdon noted how largely abused the Malone EMS services are by some within the community who utilize the EMS as a means of transportation more than for emergencies. Most residents he has spoken with are worried about the extra taxes and then the increase of those new taxes as the years move on.

The Malone EMS noted that unfortunately, they have to be paid for readiness not response. This means that they have to have adequate staff and positions filled and available for each call that comes in, regardless of the situation. In 2020 the Malone EMS responded to roughly 1,400 calls. Since then, the EMS has been receiving more than 1,800 calls annually.

Eventually, the EMS will need to acquire their own building space. They have a great working relationship with the Malone Callfiremen, but the building doesn't support all of their needs. There are no sleeping quarters and no showers which are advantageous when working an extended shift.

The Malone EMS will provide the Village Board with a copy of their proposed budget.

The Village Board will review the budget and information concerning the Ambulance District and will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 5:00pm to take public comments on the proposed resolution.

## **MUNICIPAL INSURANCE**

### **➤ 2023-2024 Proposed Insurance Policy – Pat and Matt Maguire**

The 2023-2024 Insurance Policy for the Village of Malone was presented. The Village Board will review the information in the policy and bring its acceptance for a vote at the February 27<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

**DANC**

➤ **December 2022 Monthly Report on WWTP and WTP**

The Report was reviewed and placed on file.

➤ **Revised Health and Safety Manual**

Dave is working with the DPW to finalize and submit a revised Health and Safety Manual for Village.

➤ **2009 Ford Ranger**

The current resale value of the Ranger is \$4,000. The cost of the repairs needed is \$2,811.97. The recommendation is to list the Ranger on Auctions International and seek a suitable replacement of the Ranger.

➤ **Resolution 17-2023 – Authorization to Close Out DPW Building and Authorize Final Payments**

**VILLAGE OF MALONE  
RESOLUTION NO. 17-2023**

**AUTHORIZATION TO CLOSE OUT DPW BUILDING PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE FINAL PAYMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Malone is working to pay out the BAN and complete the loan closing with USDA Rural Development for the DPW Building Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Building project is complete;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the making of all final payments associated with the DPW Building Project.

Motion Made By: Trustee Bonner

Seconded By: Trustee Langdon

Vote Taken:

Trustee Bonner	Aye
Trustee Boyea	Aye
Trustee Langdon	Aye
Mayor Dumas	Aye
Trustee McKee	Nay

Approved by Board of Trustees on: February 15, 2023

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon the motion of Trustee Bonner with a second by Trustee Boyea and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session on a contractual matter.

Upon the motion of Trustee Boyea with a second by Trustee McKee and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session.

Upon the motion of Trustee McKee with a second by Trustee Boyea and unanimously carried to go back into Regular Session.

Trustee Langdon excused at 10:50am during the Executive Session.

- **Resolution 18-2023 – Approval of Increase in Wages for Curtis Rottier and Rebecca Marlow-Recore**

### **VILLAGE OF MALONE RESOLUTION NO. 18-2023**

#### **APPROVAL OF WAGE INCREASE FOR CURTIS ROTTIER AND REBECCA MARLOW-RECORE**

**WHEREAS**, Water/Wastewater Operators Curtis Rottier and Rebecca Marlow-Recore have executed their duties with excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, these positions require designated licensing and an increased flexibility and knowledge base; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board would like to acknowledge this dedication to excellence with a \$2.00 per hour raise effective February 17, 2023 and an additional \$2.00 per hour raise once each operator passes and obtains their 2B Water License;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The Village Board of Trustees approves a \$2.00 per hour raise for Curtis Rottier and Rebecca Marlow-Recore effective February 17, 2023, and an additional \$2.00 per hour once they have obtained their 2B Water License.

Motion Made By: Trustee McKee

Seconded By: Trustee Boyea

Approved By Board of Trustees on: February 15, 2023

➤ **Resolution 19-2023 – Approval to Remove Single Titled Water and Wastewater Operator Titles from the Union Contract**

**VILLAGE OF MALONE  
RESOLUTION NO. 19-2023**

**APPROVAL TO REMOVE SINGLE OPERATOR TITLES FROM THE DPW UNION CONTRACT**

**WHEREAS**, the ability to adequately staff the Village Water Treatment Plant and Wastewater Treatment Plant has become increasingly difficult; and

**WHEREAS**, these positions require designated licensing and an increased flexibility and knowledge base; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Malone would like to transition all current single titled operators to a dual operator title with the necessary licensing; and

**WHEREAS**, current Water and Wastewater Operators have agreed to this change;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The Village Board of Trustees approves the removal of the following single operator titles from the DPW Union Contract:

Water Plant Operator Trainee  
Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee  
Water Plant Operator  
Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

Motion Made By: Trustee McKee

Seconded By: Trustee Boyea

Approved By Board of Trustees on: February 15, 2023

➤ **Resolution 20-2023 – Approval of Wage Increase for Dylen McDonald**

**VILLAGE OF MALONE  
RESOLUTION NO. 20-2023**

**APPROVAL OF WAGE INCREASE FOR DPW LABORER DYLEN MCDONALD**

**WHEREAS**, DPW Laborer Dylen McDonald has performed his duties with excellence and has willingly assisted the DPW in the absence of a Senior Mechanic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board would like to acknowledge this dedication to excellence and his willingness to go above and beyond;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The Village Board of Trustees approves a raise for DPW Laborer, Dylon McDonald to \$17.00 per hour.

Motion Made By: Trustee Bonner

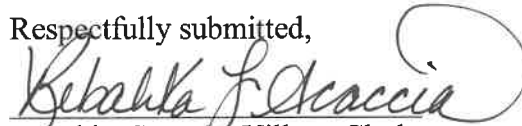
Seconded By: Trustee Boyea

Approved By Board of Trustees on: February 15, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion of Trustee Boyea with a second by Trustee Bonner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebahka Scaccia". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Rebahka Scaccia, Village Clerk