

There is, as always, a lot going on in the village:

At our last regular Board Meeting

1. Public Hearing for the 2020 Village Budget was set for yesterday, April 9, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Village Office Building. Budget to be adopted at April meeting currently April 22. Due to a depreciation of the Hydroelectric plant, a lot of monies were needed to be re-couped so as not to greatly increase tax rates.

Some savings include: Not spraying for mosquitos this year, not renewing our web-site hosting agreement, renting two rooms of the village offices to CareNet, and using over \$10,000 from the fund balance.

Although it is hoped that the Hydroelectirc plant will soon expand and other businesses will develop to increase the tax base in the future, the village board is also looking in replacing street lights with LED to save and estimated \$8000/year, once the loan to purchase the fixtures is paid off. Even with the loan, alost \$500/year will be saved off electric bills for the next 7-10 years.

2. Refuse Bids were opened. The bid from Shue Brothers for \$58,920.00 was accepted.

3. State required upgrade to sewer discharge: needs to be completed by 2022 -2024 to be compliant. We are looking into various grants and contracting with Bernier and Carr to tackle this endeavor.

4. Lewis County Hazmat Mitigation Plan - we are participating and have included upgrade to the stormwater system and the DPW/Fire Hall in our plan. There is a chance to receive grants by being part of this porcess. Black River Open House April

5. Community Day of Caring May 4, 2019. 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Lyons Falls is on the list to have our park cleaned up, but we need overseers and volunteers. I can not be there until 11am.

6. Mobile Mammogram would like to come to the Farmers' Market in the Fall. They will be in Turin in August. They need a large space to park and will help with advertising.

7. Agreement with Roger Abbey- He is planning on developing Park Place Road but needs to repair it to comply with specs provided to him. Once upgraded, it will be maintained by the Village. If lots are sold and developed, future paving is possible.