

REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES-JANUARY 19, 2010-7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: ERNEST W. MARTIN, MAYOR; TRUSTEES - JOHN BASILE, KEITH COLLINS, ELLEN VOMACKA

ABSENT: TRUSTEE KEN BAKER

ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY, JAMES PELUSO; BUILDING CODE OFFICER LYNN GOMAN; FIRE CHIEF SHANE MAHAR; SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, ROBERT GERASIA

SPECIAL GUESTS: HISTORIAN LINDA SANDERS; ED HERNANDEZ FROM DELAWARE ENGINEERING

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the pledge to the flag.

MOTION to open the Public Hearing on a Special Use Permit application submitted by Scott Ronda made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins
Motion carried 3-0

Jim Champlin voiced concerns regarding the potential adverse effect on neighboring property and asked if any engineering studies on storm water drainage had been done. Mr. Ronda responded no engineering was done because it wasn't necessary; there has always been a high water table but there has never been flooding. Mrs. Bert Mang stated she has more water in her basement now than ever before and is attending this hearing out of concern for herself and Mrs. Rita Baker. Mr. Ronda insisted his structures didn't contribute to any water issues, as buildings previously existed on the property.

Supt. Gerasia suggested utilizing the catch basin in front of the property and Mr. Ronda offered to tie all his new buildings into the drain and have his engineer sign off on it.

MOTION to close the Public Hearing made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 3-0

Mayor Martin will take all comments under advisement prior to a decision.

Historian Linda Sanders reviewed her written report (copy on file)

Ed Hernandez from Delaware Engineering reviewed his involvement with the Village's I & I issues and advised the Board they could use the zero percent loan offer from EFC to finance their three most important projects; Castle Cliff, South Colonial, and Clinton Court. As long as we're solving the same problem, the money is available. Mary Beth Bianconi reviewed the CWSRF Funding and advised we could start work and submit invoices to get the money needed to pay as we go. Mr. Hernandez clarified that up front engineering and design plans can be funded with the zero percent loans. It was recommended we put everything in our preliminary report although we're not obligated to use it.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

BUILDING CODE OFFICER – Lynn Goman

Mr. Goman reviewed his written report (copy on file)

FIRE CHIEF – Shane Mahar

Chief Mahar reviewed his written annual report (copy on file) and noted due to the change in by-laws, the report covered 13 months instead of the usual 12. Questions were asked and answered about requirements for member participation and the Chief advised letters were being sent to those who show a lack of commitment to the Department.

The Chief asked for the Board's opinion on selling the boat; we had no calls last year, Arvin Hart and Round Lake are available if needed and although the boat itself isn't worth much, the motor is. The Boght truck passed inspection but will need new tires and the revenue from selling the boat could help offset that additional expense.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS – Robert Gerasia

Supt. Gerasia reviewed his written report (copy on file)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee John Basile – reviewed his written report (copy on file)

Trustee Keith Collins – meetings on the water project will be discussed in executive session

Trustee Ellen Vomacka – a flow chart and photos of the website were presented and the Clerk requested a quote for costs to update the site

Trustee Ken Baker – absent

ATTORNEY - James Peluso – no report

CLERK-TREASURER – Patti Ryan

A NYSEG bill was forwarded from the Town for the force main pump station and discussion was held on who was responsible to pay it.

MOTION authorizing the Clerk Treasurer, Patricia Ryan, to initiate and approve online banking transactions made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins
Discussion: this is a new requirement by Ballston Spa National Bank
Motion carried 3-0

The Clerk advised the Board the Personnel Policy will need updating to incorporate NYS Tier 5 Retirement.

The Board instructed the Clerk to withhold 10% retainage from the voucher submitted by Top Notch Construction for repairs to the municipal building

MOTION to open the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 3-0

Terry Simmons asked for clarification on the status of the loans and grants for the water project and questioned if the personal use of cell phones by DPW employees had been addressed.

MOTION to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 3-0

NEW BUSINESS

Planning and Zoning Conference will be held on January 25, 2010

MOTION to approve the change order for the installation of faux slate roof on the municipal building made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins
Motion carried 3-0

OLD BUSINESS

None

MOTION to approve the Treasurer Report made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins
Motion carried 3-0

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MOTION to approve the minutes of December 15, 2009 made by Trustee Basile,
seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to approve the audited claims:

A - \$ 24,588.97

F - \$ 9,962.01

G - \$ 3,858.85

H - \$ 20,678.83

made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins
Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to adjourn to executive session to discuss matters related to personnel, the
DEC Consent Order, and the proposed contract with SWCA made by Trustee Basile,
seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 3-0

Meeting adjourned 11:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Ryan
Clerk-Treasurer