

**REGULAR MEETING-BOARD OF TRUSTEES-MARCH 18, 2008-7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: ERNEST W. MARTIN, MAYOR; TRUSTEES – JOHN BASILE, KENNETH BAKER, RAYMOND WALKER**

**ABSENT: JOHN MURPHY, TRUSTEE**

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

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

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**MOTION** to purchase car show plaque at a cost of \$35.00 made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Basile

Motion carried 3-0

**BUILDING CODE OFFICER – Lynn Goman**

Mr. Goman advised the Board he recently passed a class on updated codes and is now fully certified. One building permit was issued for 89 S. Hudson Ave., work at 96 Colonial Rd continues; house is set but not completed. Owners of 97 S. Hudson Ave. have applied for a permit but drawings have not been received.

Mayor Martin invited Frank Russell to update the Board regarding the current status of his newly constructed 8-unit apartment house. Mr. Russell and the Board agreed the garage will be removed on or before May 1, 2008 or fines in the amount of \$500 per day will be assessed.

Trustee Walker spoke of Historian Linda Sanders interest in viewing 46 Major Dickinson for any possible historical significance and asked Mr. Goman to inspect the property to see if it was safe for her to enter. Additional discussion was held regarding the need for structural inspections of 213 and 215 N. Hudson Ave as well as the need to follow the procedures outlined in our unsafe building law.

**FIRE CHIEF – Shane Mahar**

Chief Mahar distributed his monthly report (copy on file) and spoke regarding notification to the Board and DPW when hydrants need to be opened. The Department will be requesting a replacement fire truck in their application to the Federal fire Act Grant program and will also send a letter to Assemblyman McDonald requesting funding for a permanent building to house the steamer. The newly approved health & fitness program will be monitored by the Department.

**SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS – Robert Gerasia**

Monthly written report on file. Turbidity analyzer has been ordered and should arrive in April, Fire trucks have been serviced, repairs were made to the School pump station and the Village will be reimbursed for the parts used. The sewer system was monitored during the recent heavy rains, training took place for the Flow Meter equipment, and the DEC inspection went well.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Trustee John Basile – A revised Order on Consent was received and the Mayor was authorized to sign it with three minor changes. Discussion was held regarding the Order and the need for an informational public meeting once it's been accepted by DEC. Kestner Engineering submitted a proposal addressing the backwash water at the WTP which was approved by DEC and detailed drawings are being done for submission by 5-1-08. Atlantic Testing soil boring is complete, the finding of all sandy soil will allow easier drilling and will be less expensive. Trustee Basile and Mayor Martin met with the School Board who requested an amended path. The related operating agreement and easement will be discussed in Executive Session.

Trustee Raymond Walker –

**MOTION** to install Timothy Campbell to the Zoning Board of Appeals made by Trustee Walker, seconded by trustee Basile  
Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** establishing ZBA tenure as follows: Wayne Simmons term to expire April 2008; A Joseph White term to expire April 2009 and new member Timothy Campbell term to expire April 2010.  
Motion carried 3-0

Trustee Walker spoke regarding a need for alternates and establishing a meeting schedule.

Trustee Kenneth Baker – Trustee Baker spoke about the recent Fireman’s Banquet and Chief Mahar advised he had completed Incented Command 300. Mike Russo continues to promise funding for our storm sewer project.

**ATTORNEY** – James Peluso  
Nothing to report

**CLERK-TREASURER** - Margo L. Partak

**BOND ANTICIPATION RENEWAL NOTE RESOLUTION**

**AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE ISSUED ON THE 20th DAY OF MARCH 2007 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SERIAL BONDS AUTHORIZED TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW BACKHOE**

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF STILLWATER  
COUNTY OF SARATOGA  
STATE OF NEW YORK**

**ADOPTED MARCH 18, 2008**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Stillwater, in the County of Saratoga, as follows:

WHEREAS, this Board has on March 20, 2007, adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds in the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for the purpose of financing the purchase of a new Backhoe, said bonds having not as yet been sold, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board as follows:

1. The Village Board of the Village of Stillwater duly authorize the renewal of the said Bond Anticipation Note in the principal sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000). Said Bond Anticipation Note as renewed, shall be due and payable on March 20, 2009 in said principal amount, together with accrued interest at a rate of 4.20% per annum. Said note shall be executed in the name of this Village by its Mayor, as Chief Fiscal Officer, his corporate seal shall be affixed thereto, and it shall be attested thereto by the Clerk.
2. The specific object or purpose to be financed pursuant to this Resolution is the aforementioned purchase of a new Backhoe.
3. As required by the Local Finance Law of the State of New York, it is hereby stated that (a) there is now outstanding a Bond Anticipation Note issued on March 20, 2007 in the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000), which said Note is due and payable on March 21, 2008; (b) the Note authorized by this Resolution is a renewal note, and (c) the Note



**OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion regarding the Village/School shared grant for sidewalks, the Village will be lead agency and our cost will be \$2,000.00

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Stillwater adopted a Comprehensive Plan in 2004, and

**WHEREAS**, said plan recommends extension of Village sidewalks along Hudson Avenue north to the end of the Village, and

**WHEREAS**, many school age children are daily walking in the street along Hudson Avenue to and from school; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Stillwater Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the Mayor to submit a joint application with the Stillwater Central School District to the NYSDOT's Safe Routes to School Program, with the Village acting as lead agency, further

**RESOLVED** that this grant application will support a project to improve safety for students walking to and from the school district' property on U.S. Route 4 (Hudson Avenue) to nearby neighborhoods.

Resolution moved by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Walker.  
Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to hold a Public Hearing for the 2008-2009 Village Budget on April 15, 2008 at 7:00pm was made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Walker  
Motion carried 3-0

A final workshop on the budget to go over the sewer fund will take place on March 24, 2008 at 7:00pm.

Mayor Martin discussed continuing negotiations relating to a future sewer line on Ferry Lane and received approval from the Board to do so.

**MOTION** authorizing the Mayor to enter into negotiations with the Saratoga County Sewer District made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker. Discussion held comparing the Town of Wilton's procedure vs. ours with a recommendation by Attorney Peluso that we use the same petition as Wilton since they were approved.  
Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to approve to continue to provide lawn care to the Stillwater Area Community Center and The Blockhouse made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Walker  
Motion carried 3-0

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

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from February 19<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Baker  
Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to approve the audited claims:  
A - \$51,523.27  
F - \$10,268.37  
G - \$ 5,363.53  
H - \$ 5,987.28  
made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Basile  
Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to adjourn to executive session at 8:20pm made by Trustee Basile,  
seconded by Trustee Walker  
Motion carried 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Partak  
Clerk-Treasurer