

REGULAR MEETING-BOARD OF TRUSTEES- MAY 15, 2007-7:00 P.M.

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

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

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

SPECIAL GUESTS

HISTORIAN – Linda Sanders

Ms. Sanders distributed a packet regarding Hudson Fulton Quad. She requested the Village consider passing a Resolution of support. Discussion was held regarding restroom facilities at the Blockhouse which will open for its 8th season on May 26 at noon. Responded to several requests for information.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk read a letter from the Historian thanking Bob and the DPW crew for all of their assistance every year.

BUILDING CODE OFFICER-Lynn Goman

Five permits issued; new trailer on Hallum Road, decks at 4 and 7 Carpenter Place, new construction at 5 Ferry Lane and 9 Hudson Avenue.

FIRE CHIEF – Shane Mahar

4 alarms, 2 Arvin Hart, 1 Rescue Squad, 1 boat rescue

11 drills with 49 attending

Designated fax line update – waiting for Court staff to finish

Automatic defibrillators update – Mayor is looking into, waiting for a response to inquiry.

Questioned if open burning is part of the new Zoning Law with discussion of the process used by the Town and the County and will research their procedures further. Department inspection held Saturday, May 12, was very informative for new board members.

Donovan Restoration to review renovations and cosmetic work needed on building. John Murphy suggested Saratoga Restorations as they do specific Firehouse restoration.

Federal Fire Fighter Grants application has been completed and is ready for submission.

A drill with Arvin Hart and the Rescue Squad will be held on Wednesday, May 30 at the Stillwater School Campus.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-Robert Gerasia

Supt. reviewed his monthly report. (Copy on file)

Two wells have been cleaned, 1 well to be set up, would like Board to visit water plant to review the entire process. Altitude valve package is being prepared. Aqua-Stor inspected the water tanks and will send a report. People are leaving unwanted items at the garage; a dumpster was delivered to collect the discarded items. A lengthy discussion was held with regard to drainage along the old canal at the south end of the Village. Spoke regarding need for emergency generators for the main pump station and the Hudson Ave pump station.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee John Murphy – spoke to Joan Ronda and Mark Minick regarding joint Water Committee meeting, will have meeting soon to determine priorities. Will meet with

Jason Rich, Mayor Martin and a representative from Roy McDonalds Office to discuss possible grant opportunities. Water Meter Bids – will speak to Engineer when he returns from vacation. Attorney bid advised other information should be discussed in executive session.

Trustee Raymond Walker-ZBA will need a training session, county will come and train ZBA members, recommended using a numeric system for tracking projects. He encouraged Trustees to come to the training session.

Trustee Ken Baker - Fire Department inspection and drainage issues behind J. Rever's property.

Trustee John Basile – distributed a written report outlining what has transpired with regard to sewer during the past month. (Copy on file) Discussion was held regarding applications for new connections, possibly sending 82 homes in Castle Cliff to the County (not currently in the plans developed at the Town level), and adding Ferry Lane to the system. It was suggested we obtain costs for the smoke testing to see if we can afford to hire out. Discussion was held regarding a possible connection to the County sewer system, it was explained that the excessive I&I would need to be removed from our system regardless of how we proceed with regard to the wastewater treatment plant. Trustee Basile received an email from Q. Kestner of Kestner Engineering regarding the interim report from 2005 which needs to be updated for the change to SPDES Permit. Mr. Kestner estimated this could be done for \$5,680.00 or less.

CLERK-TREASURER – Margo Partak

The Clerk distributed a written report (Copy on file) She advised she would probably need a meeting the last of the month for end of year transfers.

ATTORNEY – James Peluso

Attorney Peluso informed the Board DEC has proposed a meeting for June 12, 2007 at 10am with regard to water issues.

MOTION to open the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Basile.

Motion carried 4-0

Jason Rich questioned if there were any sewer hookups available. Trustee Basile quoted from the DEC letter advising existing homes and lines only.

MOTION to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Baker.

Motion carried 4-0

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to approve Kestner Engineering update 2005 report at a cost not to exceed \$5,800.00 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 4-0

OLD BUSINESS

Social Host Responsibility Law is worth debating and a Public Hearing will be held on June 19, 2007 at 7pm

MOTION to approve the Treasurer Report made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Basile.

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the minutes of April 17 & 24, 2007 made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Basile.

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the audited claims:

A	\$ 8,496.69
F	\$30,079.69
G	\$ 4,716.93
H	\$ 4,082.38

Made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn to executive session made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Walker

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to reject all meter bids made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Walker. Discussion – investigate purchase of handhelds and remote encoders for existing equipment

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Partak
Clerk-Treasurer