

**REGULAR MEETING-BOARD OF TRUSTEES-MAY 18, 2004-7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: ERNEST W. MARTIN, MAYOR – TRUSTEES: JOHN MURPHY, MICHAEL HANEHAN, RAYMOND WALKER**  
**ABSENT: TRUSTEE, MARTIN RICCARDI**

**ALSO PRESENT: FIRE CHIEF, JEFF MAHAR; SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, TERRY FINNEY**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Clerk read a letter from David McClements of Lake Street with regard to the conditions that exist on that street.

Clerk read a letter from MCI with proposed rates for telephone service.

Clerk read an invitation to the Board from JoAnn Winchell, inviting them to join the Town Board at the re-opening of Brown's Beach on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. She also would like the Town and Village Officials to march together in the Legion Memorial Day Parade and join together for the opening ceremonies for 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Family Day.

Mayor Martin advised Frank Markowski has resigned from the Community Center Board, he spoke regarding this significant loss.

Mayor Martin read a letter from Supervisor Connors regarding an agreement with County Waste to collect yard debris from Town and Village customers beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**BUILDING CODE OFFICER – Kenneth Patenaude (absent)**

The owner of 42 S. Hudson is working diligently to clean up the property.

**FIRE CHIEF-Jeff Mahar**

Firemen have started cleaning up the garage area for next year's convention. Some materials left from work done on Clerk's Office would like to know if they could be discarded.

**SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS – Terry Finney**

Water – well cleaning is completed, replaced piping in two wells, sampling of all wells completed all within state guidelines; all filters have been rejuvenated and the settling tank has been cleaned.

Sewer – annual inspection of plant by DEC, no violations; will begin a maintenance plan for the plant.

Will prepare maintenance plans for sewer and streets as well.

Have been researching chlorine strength, trying to determine if we are receiving consistent strength chlorine from our supplier.

Barbolt Court pump station 95% complete.

Lake Street has been closed for curb installation.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Trustee Raymond Walker – THE Comprehensive Plan is progressing, Ellen Cohen is working on putting the pictures together and the text is almost complete, we will then have another meeting.

Trustee John Murphy – Met with Stillwater Landing group, need to schedule a Public Hearing as the next step in the process.

Public Hearing scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on June 8, 2004.

Received an inquiry from a resident who has concern regarding small children riding bicycles without helmets in an area where car vision is restricted.

Water: Town Engineer is authorized to assess the water plant, Flow testing in the village will be done May 24 & 25, flow testing in the Town will be done May 26 & 27.

Received a call from a resident regarding a senior citizen discount for TimeWarner Cable. TimeWarner will send information to the village.

Discussion was held regarding the need to have an employee designated as water plant operator only and sewer plant operator only. The backup media should be ordered for the water plant filters.

The Town web page is in need of information from Village Trustees along with photographs.

Planters for the North & South end of the Village, landscaping needs to be completed by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

We will need an easement for 500 feet of water line from the sewer plant fire hydrant to the DPW garage fire hydrant to complete this loop.

CDBG Grant: 19 of 22 units completed.

Trustee Michael Hanehan: Met with Mr. Hallum, he agreed to easement, paperwork is at his Attorney's office.

Bruce Ringrose faxed information regarding easements for Ferry Lane sewer line. Trustee Riccardi would like existing easements turned over to new Attorney for research. Board agreed.

**MOTION** authorizing Bruce Ringrose to draw up three easements at a cost not to exceed \$2,400 made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 3-0

Discussion was held regarding streetlights.

Discussion was held regarding status of water and sewer for Blockhouse

**CLERK-TREASURER** – Margo L. Partak

Tax warrant amount \$197,069.29; Base Tax \$154,566.47 relevies \$42,502.82.

**MOTION** authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to send out the tax bills for the 2004/05 fiscal year commencing June 1, 2004 made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Hanehan.

Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to make all necessary transfers to balance the accounts for the end of the fiscal year made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 3-0

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

Motion carried 3-0

Questions from the press regarding various issues were asked and answered.

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

Motion carried 3-0

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Randy will be finished the 31<sup>st</sup> of May, however we will need to retain his services for his sewer license until Clarence passes the test. Will discuss personnel issue in executive session.
- 2) Weight limits on Village Streets – Riverside Drive has significant problems due to construction vehicles, would like to initiate weight limit legislation. Discussion was held, it was decided to ask the new Attorney for his input.
- 3) Town of Stillwater is holding a public hearing regarding updating their Animal Control Law; the Supervisor would like the Village Board to support this legislation.

**MOTION** supporting the proposed Town of Stillwater Animal Control Law made by Trustee Murphy seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 3-0

Mayor Martin distributed copies of property maintenance legislation, he would like the Board to review and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village of Stillwater Board of Trustees, on behalf of the village endorses the Stillwater/Malta Tech park Project and supports the Town of Stillwater Council position in favor of the Tech park.

**RESOLUTION** moved by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Walker

Discussion: the Board expressed appreciation with regard to the many informational meetings that were held by the Town of Stillwater for the residents of our community. They appreciated the opportunity for all to be heard, pro & con, providing the Town Council with enough knowledge to make an informed decision.

MOTION carried 4-0

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor received a call from John Skutnisky regarding the drainage pipe that goes into the river along his property. This has never been taken care of and is causing his property to erode.

Mayor advised the Board that he received a call from David Conley, he has offered to give the village a basketball hoop and backboard that is on his mother's property. She plans to sell the property and he would like to donate this equipment before that happens.

**MOTION** to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from April 13, 2004 made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to pay the audited claims:

A	\$43,060.70
F	\$17,272.67
G	\$14,021.51
H	\$ 3,596.10

Made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:40 P.M. made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to hire Randy Rathbun to act as chief operator of the Wastewater Treatment Plant at \$300.00 per month until such time as Clarence Hagadorn receives his operator license made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 3-0

**MOTION** to adjourn made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion carried 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Partak  
Clerk-Treasurer