

REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES-JULY 21, 2009-7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: ERNEST W MARTIN, MAYOR; TRUSTEES, KENNETH BAKER, JOHN BASILE, ELLEN VOMACKA, KEITH COLLINS

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

Special presentation honoring Clerk Treasurer Margo Partak who is retiring after 17 years of service for the Village of Stillwater. Mayor Martin read a proclamation (copy on file) and a plaque was presented by former Village employees Marty and Beth Riccardi. A reception followed to congratulate Margo on her retirement.

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 7:20 P.M. and led the Pledge to the Flag.

Dave Meager from Adirondack Trust Insurance reviewed the current insurance coverage and explained the Fire Department is a separate policy that is renewed in March. Most of our buildings are covered under the blanket policy with the exception of the Firehouse/Municipal building. Mr. Meager advised a terrorism policy is available but the Board agreed it wasn't necessary to add at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Treasurer Margo Partak read a letter of thanks to the Board (copy on file)

BUILDING CODE OFFICER – Lynn Goman

Mr. Goman thanked Margo for all her help before reviewing his written report and explaining the situation at 24 Major Dickinson which should be resolved by the end of the week.

FIRE CHIEF – Shane Mahar

The Chief reviewed his written report (copy on file) and updated the Board on the status of the 1975 Maxim; the repair costs are expected to be \$2300 when complete and the Board was asked to approve additional funds. Mayor Martin preferred to wait until a final bill is received. After the mechanic is finished, the truck will go to Wilde Fire for painting, lettering, and some safety issues; a quote will be provided.

MOTION to approve Theodore Minor and Matthew Rivers as active firefighters pending arson and DMV checks made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker Motion carried 4-0

The Department participated in the convention in Mechanicville and was awarded three trophies.

Chief Mahar presented Margo with a plaque from the Fire Department and commented on a personal note that if not for her sound advice, the department wouldn't be where they are and all her efforts, help, and advice were greatly appreciated. Former Chief Jeff Mahar seconded Shane's comments.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS – Robert Gerasia

Supt. Gerasia reviewed his report for the month (copy on file) and explained the various problems that have occurred at the WTP over the past month. Tonka will be coming to review, a second frac tank was installed yesterday, and a new check valve was purchased by EPA and is scheduled to be installed tomorrow. A sewer clog was cleared on Park Avenue with the help of the City of Mechanicville.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee John Basile – reviewed events of the past month after stating it had been the busiest month he's encountered since being elected. A letter was sent to Galusha

regarding our SPDES permit, an executive session was held regarding the DEC fine, Trustee Basile and Eric Johnson of TCC met with Gretchen Pinkel of USDA Rural Development, a telephone conference took place regarding the DEC Environmental Benefits proposals, Songer came in to coat three manholes in Castle Cliff, and a letter was received regarding WWTP SPDES permit renewal with work on the project continuing by Ed Hernandez of Delaware Engineering.

Trustee Keith Collins – reviewed the progress of the project to connect to SCWA via the northern route.

Trustee Ellen Vomacka – working with Trustee Baker on repairs to the building and is seeking quotes that will be brought back to the Board

Trustee Ken Baker – congratulated the Fire Dept on their trophies at the convention and thanked Trustee Vomacka for her hard work regarding building repairs.

ATTORNEY - James Peluso - No report but stated it had been a pleasure to work with Margo

CLERK-TREASURER – Margo Partak – No report

MOTION to open the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 4-0

No one from the public wished to speak

MOTION to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 4-0

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION authorizing Delaware Engineering to consult on the sewer system's technical and regulatory issues not to exceed \$5,000 above the currently approved \$15,000 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker Discussion: Trustee Basile and Supt Gerasia can do most of the work but a licensed engineer is needed to prepare and sign reports
Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Martin stated he has the authority to appoint Patti Ryan as Clerk Treasurer and has done so.

MOTION approving the Mayor's appointment of Patti Ryan as Village Clerk-Treasurer made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka
Motion carried 4-0

The Mayor offered the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED that Ms. Patricia A. Ryan be appointed as Village Clerk/Treasurer effective July 25, 2009

BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Ernest Martin and Village Clerk/Treasurer Patricia A. Ryan shall be authorized at the bank for signatures for all Village checks and withdrawals and in the absence of the Mayor or Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Mayor John Basile be authorized to sign.

BE IT RESOLVED that Clerk/Treasurer Patricia A. Ryan shall be the authorized official with regard to online banking.

BE IT RESOLVED that Clerk/Treasurer Patricia A. Ryan be appointed as Village Registrar

BE IT RESOLVED that Clerk/Treasurer Patricia A. Ryan be appointed as records management officer

Resolutions moved by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Resolutions adopted 4-0

Trustee Basile discussed the status of the Route 4, Ten Broeck Sidewalk and Storm Water Project. Part 2-Project Impact has been prepared by the engineers and Trustee Basile covered what little impacts there are as follows: this is a proposed action that could result in some physical changes to the project site, a small effect, some water table that would be less than three feet, bedrock may come up above that three feet but is not expected. There is likely not to be any public controversy related to potential adverse environmental impact. Mr. Peluso reviewed the specific no impact items as follows: no impact on water, air, plants and animals, agricultural land resources, aesthetic resources, historic and archeological resources, open space and recreation, critical environmental areas, transportation, energy, noise and odor, public health and community neighborhood.

RESOLUTION

Accepting SEQRA Lead Agency Status and Issuing a SEQRA Negative Declaration for the Planned Route 4/Tenbroeck Street Sidewalk and Stormwater Project

WHEREAS, the Village of Stillwater is proposing construction of approximately 4,900-feet of sidewalk and curbing on Route 4 and Tenbroeck Street along with stormwater collection and management systems; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action has been determined to be an Unlisted action, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) 6 NYCRR Part 617.4.; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Stillwater prepared or caused to prepare an Engineer's Report fully describing the project and pursuant to the applicable standards of SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617 prepared a Full Environmental Assessment Form (Full EAF) evaluating the projects impacts on the environment; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2009, the Village Board of the Village of Stillwater declared its intent to conduct a coordinated review and its intent to be Lead Agency for the SEQRA evaluation and provided proper circulation of the Lead Agency Notice to the other Involved and Interested Agencies, indicating the Village Board's intention to serve as Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Stillwater has not received any objections from the involved agencies regarding the Village Board's intention to serve as Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has completed Part II of the EAF and has considered all reasonably related long-term, short-term, and cumulative environmental effects associated with the proposed action including other simultaneous or subsequent actions; and

WHEREAS, the Village has compared the proposed action with the Criteria for Determining Significance in 6 NYCRR 617.7 and determined that no significant adverse impacts associated with the proposed action have been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Village Board of the Village of Stillwater hereby declares itself lead agency for the purpose of conducting the SEQRA review of the planned Route 4/Tenbroeck Street Sidewalk and Stormwater Project; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that based on a review of the Full EAF, the Engineer's Report, and associated information, the Village Board has determined that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and hereby issues the attached Negative Declaration in accordance with the requirements of State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

MOTION to adopt the foregoing Resolution was made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker. Discussion: the Mayor will read the contract to determine who will own and maintain sidewalks

Roll call vote:

Trustee Baker	Voting	aye
Trustee Basile	Voting	aye
Trustee Collins	Voting	aye
Trustee Vomacka	Voting	aye
Mayor Martin	Voting	aye

Motion carried 5-0

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION to defer indefinitely the previously approved waste water connection to Saratoga County Sewer District #1 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins Discussion: We have an engineer who has ability to comply with 10 state standards. Trustee Basile thinks going to the county is a the right thing but not at this time due to costs

Roll call vote:

Trustee Baker	Voting	aye
Trustee Basile	Voting	aye
Trustee Collins	Voting	aye
Trustee Vomacka	Voting	aye
Mayor Martin	Voting	aye

Motion carried 5-0

Mayor Martin appointed Margo Partak Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

MOTION approving the Mayor's appointment of Margo Partak as Deputy Village Clerk-Treasurer made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the Treasurer Report was made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the minutes of June 16, 2009 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the audited claims:

A -	\$ 26360.43
F -	\$ 43816.19
G -	\$ 12023.42
H -	\$ 2610.00

made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker.
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION authorizing the Mayor to enter into a service contract with Tonka to troubleshoot filter problems at the WTP at an amount not to exceed \$5,900.00 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to amend the Water Fund Budget as follows:

Create a new Budget Appropriation: F8330.406, known as Purification, frac tank rental and supplies, in the amount of \$25,000

Transfer the following amounts from the stated appropriations to the new appropriation:

\$ 5,000.00 from F8320.401, Source of Supply, Power & Pumping, supplies

\$10,000.00 from F8330.2, Purification, equipment

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\$ 5,000.00 from F8340.2, Transmission & Distribution, equipment

Made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Vomacka

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn to executive session at 8:50pm to discuss issues related to litigation with GE and negotiations concerning DEC and DOH

Motion carried 4-0

Return to regular session

MOTION authorizing Delaware Engineering to move forward on work regarding DEC consent order subject to approval of Supt. Gerasia and Mayor Martin made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins Discussion: a meeting with Mr. Hernandez will be arranged by Supt. Gerasia

Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 10:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Ryan
Clerk-Treasurer