REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES-AUGUST 16, 2011-7:00 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY JAMES PELUSO, FIRE CHIEF TONY CONTI, SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS JOHN SCOTT, BUILDING CODE OFFICER LYNN GOMAN, ERIC JOHNSON FROM THE CHAZEN COMPANIES

SPECIAL GUESTS: DAVE MEAGER, ADIRONDACK TRUST INSURANCE; LINDA SANDERS, VILLAGE HISTORIAN

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

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE OF STILLWATER Proposed Local Law Prohibiting Unnecessary Noise

NOTICE is hereby given that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Stillwater will hold a Public Hearing on August 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2011. The purpose of said local law is to prohibit unnecessary noise in the Village of Stillwater. The hearing will take place at the Village Boardroom located at 1 School Street, Stillwater, New York. A copy of the proposed local law is available for public inspection during business hours at the Village Clerk□s Office, 1 School Street, Stillwater, New York. At the above date, time and place, all interested persons will be heard.

**MOTION** to open the Public Hearing made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Wood-Shaw

Motion carried 4-0

Trustee Basile reviewed the purpose of the proposed Local Law and explained the dcb levels allowed.

**MOTION** to close the Public Hearing made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka

Motion carried 4-0

Dave Meager from Adirondack Trust Insurance reviewed the Village Policies noting coverage was up 4% with a premium increase of 2%. Discussion was held on what changes would be needed after the connection to SCWA is complete.

**MOTION** to accept increased Crisis Responsibility Coverage as recommended made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Vomacka Motion carried 4-0

Historian Linda Sanders outlined upcoming events at the Blockhouse and spoke about attending the Deceased Veteran's Ceremony honoring Bill Mullady.

Angelo Rosse, prospective buyer of the NKT Property, presented the Board with a letter of support from Congressman Gibson (copy on file) and advised he has possession of a signed deed, which will be filed after some minor details are settled. His plan is to close within 30 days and install infrastructure before winter. Mayor Martin instructed Mr. Rosse to come back when ownership was officially transferred.

### CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor read a letter of thanks from the Mechanicville Community Center

**MOTION** to approve the Stillwater United Church 5K Run to be held on 8/20/11 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka Motion carried 4-0

FIRE CHIEF – Tony Conti – reviewed his written report (copy on file)

**MOTION** authorizing the Fire Department to conduct their annual Boot Drive on Labor Day weekend made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Wood-Shaw Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Martin requested an explanation for the recent damage to the FD radios. The Chief stated they were at the County training center where the buildings are now steel instead of concrete, the County system didn't work and the radios melted. The Mayor stated this information should have come from the Chief, not from Saratoga County.

# SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS - John Scott

Supt. Scott reviewed his written report (copy on file) and recommended the Board accept the low bid from Hayes Paving to pave Lansing Road.

**BUILDING CODE OFFICER** – Lynn Goman – reviewed his written report (copy on file) and asked the Board to consider hiring someone to clear brush and mow grass at neglected properties with the cost being added to the homeowner's taxes.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Trustee John Basile – provided an update on the SCWA Project and reviewed the EFC Financing. A meeting on the sewer projects has been scheduled for August 18.

Trustee Keith Collins – Trustee Basile covered the SCWA Project, the WTP is running smoothly.

Trustee Ellen Vomacka – Alternatives are being considered regarding the sidewalk project with the latest discussion being to install at grade sidewalks. NYS DOT has turned down the connection to SCSD and prefers not to do the project with a phase approach. At the request of Mr. Peluso, discussion will continue in Executive Session as the project relates to the Village's Consent Order with NYS DEC.

Trustee Judy Wood-Shaw – met with the Mayor regarding updating the Comprehensive Plan and will attend the monthly emergency management meeting at Arvin Hart.

**ATTORNEY** - James Peluso – no report

**CLERK-TREASURER** – Patti Ryan – explained \$63,457.79 (including loan payments but excluding payroll) was spent from the Water Fund this month and stressed that only absolutely necessary purchases be made until after the October water billing is done. F.8330.200 is overspent and the Clerk asked the Board how they would like to pay Subsurface Technologies.

**MOTION** authorizing the Clerk –Treasurer to transfer \$1500.00 from F.8340.401 Water Meters to F.8330.200 Purification Equipment made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Basile Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to approve authorization for signatures at BSNB made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins Motion carried 4-0

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

Tim Campbell advised Bruce Fence would be at the Tennis Courts this week and expressed his concerns about the decision not to repair the generator at the WTP.

Jim Champlin asked if the 5K Run would cause road closures and the Mayor agreed to call Mrs. Ritter to confirm. Mr. Champlin suggested the new \$2 million track at the school should be used instead of inconveniencing local residents.

Due to a heated argument between the public and the Trustees, Mayor Martin declared both open floor and the meeting closed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS -**

**MOTION** to approve the proposal from Hayes Paving to pave Lansing Road at a cost not to exceed \$26,500 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins Discussion: The cost to re-do Russell Drive is \$150,000 and is not feasible Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to pass Local Law #1 of 2011 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka Discussion: Trustee Basile is in favor of passing as long as the ANSI Specs are up to date

Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Martin read a letter from the Stillwater Area Community Center thanking the Village for their help with lawn care and requesting the Board waive the Center's water/sewer bills. The Board agreed if there is no cost, the Center has no incentive to control consumption. Trustee Collins suggested during the next budget cycle, we consider providing the Center with a contractual amount associated with using the building as a shelter but was against eliminating water and sewer fees.

#### **OLD BUSINESS - None**

**MOTION** to approve the audited claims:

A \$ 8,281.38 F \$42,826.27

G \$ 6,454.94

H \$32,698.90

made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to approve the Treasurer Report made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Wood-Shaw Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to approve the minutes of May 31, June 21, July 19, and August 2 made by Trustee Vomacka, seconded by Trustee Basile Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to adjourn to executive session at 9:05pm to discuss contracts and litigation made by Trustee Vomacka, seconded by Trustee Basile Motion carried 4-0

**MOTION** to adjourn at 9:45pm made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Vomacka

Motion carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Ryan Clerk-Treasurer