

REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES-SEPTEMBER 21, 2010-7:00 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY, JAMES PELUSO; SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, JOHN SCOTT; FIRE CHIEF TONY CONTI

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

Brianna Canty gave a presentation on the NYS Deferred Compensation Plan and answered questions from the Board. Supt. Scott will distribute the information and advise the Clerk on whether the DPW staff is interested in participating.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor read a letter from Historian Linda Sanders thanking the Village Board for participating in the September 11 Memorial Service.

BUILDING CODE OFFICER – Lynn Goman - Absent – The Mayor read the code officers written report (copy on file)

FIRE CHIEF – Tony Conti – reviewed his written report (copy on file) and advised the Board three members are enrolled in Fire Fighter I. The Chief requested a 2” hydrant be installed when the parking lot gets blacktopped and was informed the Board had not yet approved the proposed By-Laws.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS – John Scott
Supt. Scott reviewed his written report (copy on file)

MOTION to accept the recommendation of the Supt. and accept the chemical bid from ESC Environmental Inc. to provide Sodium Hypochlorite Solution, Sodium Carbonate Light, and Orthophosphate and to accept the bid from Surpass Chemical to provide Potassium Permanganate made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 4-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee John Basile – We have two issues to resolve in order to obtain EFC 0% financing for the I & I Projects, one is the Safe Routes to Schools and the other is Castle Cliff which will require an Inter-municipal Agreement between the Village and the Town. Trustee Basile has approached Supervisor Kinowski to discuss.

Trustee Keith Collins – Negotiations with SCWA continue, will have current numbers next month for water/sewer billings. There were two incidences of vandalism at the Major Dickinson Park; the swing set was damaged and there is a hole in the fence. Trustee Collins has notified the Town Police and Supt. Scott was asked to follow up and make necessary repairs.

Trustee Ellen Vomacka – reviewed the status of the SRTS Project and explained the NYS DOT has an issue with the pipe which is 12” instead of the 15” they require and a workshop to discuss will be scheduled. Easements will be necessary unless we stay in the state right of way and Mr. Peluso asked that any easement work begin immediately.

Trustee Ken Baker – no report

ATTORNEY - James Peluso – no report

CLERK-TREASURER – Patti Ryan

The Clerk reviewed the water/sewer complaint from Customer # 590009 and informed the Board the meter had been tested and was found to be running slow. The Board was in agreement no adjustment would be made and the owner should receive a copy of the test results. Next year’s Self-Insurance Premium is \$25,099, down from \$29,180. Water/Sewer billing is underway with approximately 27 reads outstanding.

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The Clerk's office has received several calls regarding leaf pickup and the Supt. suggested taking care of it on Thursdays during the month of October.

The Clerk requested an executive session for two personnel matters.

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

ZBA Chairman Wayne Simmons reviewed the Stillwater Landings Project and discussed the ZBA's opinion the project should not be grandfathered because significant changes were made to the original plans, specifically the addition of ten townhouses, which are not in compliance with the current Zoning Law. Mr. Peluso suggested the Mayor meet with the ZBA to discuss further. It was agreed the creation of a Planning Board would also be addressed at that time.

Mr. Simmons asked for clarification on where the new sidewalks would be installed and expressed concern the plans do not call for including the area in front of his home. Trustee Vomacka offered to follow up at the next workshop and Trustee Basile stated it should have been included in the original project and somehow we'd find a way to get it done.

Jim Champlin asked to revisit the Special Meeting held on August 3, 2010 and requested the Mayor explain why a meeting took place without a full Board and with less than 7 days public notice. The Mayor explained the owner needed assurances by the Board in order to sell the property; Mr. Champlin argued the email he received in his FOIL request indicated the owner needed an answer within 30 days and since that email was dated July 27, 2010, the matter could have been discussed at the regular monthly meeting.

Mr. Champlin confirmed Supt. Scott was commuting in a Village owned truck and asked if that was a taxable benefit with no clear response. Heated discussion took place with Mr. Champlin asking for the Mayor's resignation.

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

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to appoint Jonathan Mueller and James Smith as alternates on the Zoning Board of Appeals made by Trustee Vomacka, seconded by Trustee Basile
Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve Troy Belting & Supply Co for repairs to the sewer jetter pump for an amount not to exceed \$4,500 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Collins
Discussion: Supt. Scott described the repairs needed and advised the cost of a replacement would be around \$16,000
Motion carried 4-0

The Clerk answered questions regarding this month's Treasurer's Report and took the opportunity to inform the Board the water sewer levies to Village Taxes had been repaid in full.

OLD BUSINESS

none

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

MOTION to approve the minutes of August 17 and September 8, 2010 made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Basile

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Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve the audited claims:

A- \$ 7,468.85

F - \$ 15,628.51

G - \$ 3,866.18

H - \$ 29,733.48

made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn to executive session at 8:55pm to discuss matters related to easement acquisition and personnel made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Basile

Motion carried 4-0

Return to regular session

MOTION to deny driving privileges to Fire Department member with multiple violations; if the other two members are otherwise eligible, they may drive made by Trustee Collins, seconded by Trustee Basile Discussion: the denied individual should re-submit after a period of violation free driving

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION directing the Clerk-Treasurer to consult with a CPA to obtain a professional opinion regarding the taxability of take home vehicles made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Vomacka

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adjourn made by Trustee Vomacka, seconded by Trustee Collins

Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned 10:05pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Ryan
Clerk-Treasurer