

**SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING – BOARD OF TRUSTEES –
OCTOBER 5, 2004 – 6:30 P.M.**

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

**ALSO PRESENT: JAMES PELUSO, ATTORNEY; JEFF MAHAR, FIRE
CHIEF; SHANE MAHAR, ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF; LINDA SANDERS,
HISTORIAN; RANDY RATHBUN, SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order and explained the purpose of the special meeting.

SPECIAL GUESTS: PROVIDENT DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Ken Rontondo, Jim Quinn, John Lapper (Attorney)

Ken Rontondo explained they have been working with the Village for about a year. At the last meeting it was decided to prepare a SEQR determination. After that meeting, listening to the concerns of the neighbors, it was decided to change the project from the original concept to single family homes with a few duplexes. The project is down from 148 units to 82 units, the setback have been modified. There seems to be a current problem accepting this project into the sewer system. Discussion was held regarding DEC inability to sign off on this project with regard to the sewer system.

Trustee Murphy spoke regarding the letter to DEC, it was written when Hillside came to the Village Board to request having their sewage processed by the Village. This would have added over 300 housing units. He stated however, SEQR has more concerns than the sewer system issue.

Attorney Peluso stated that it appears that the project has been decreased by nearly one-half and this would make the current SEQR require modifications. The original application would need modifications or be resubmitted.

Jim Quinn provided drawings of the changes that have been made with regard to the project. He explained that the original design was large multi-family dwellings, this seemed to be a significant problem with the neighbors. After the last meeting we drove through the Village looking at the type of housing that currently exists. The houses are on small lots close together with sidewalks. We went back to the drawing board and tried to design a project that would fit with this type of housing only updated. Tried to listen to the concerns expressed by residents and redesign with those concerns in mind.

Several questions were asked and answered regarding the changes and the current design.

Trustee Murphy questioned if they were to amend their application or resubmit. They would like to amend their application. He advised that they would have to fund an additional amount for an escrow so the village could retain an engineer to review the plans.

A resident stated many communities are instituting moratoriums until they could review the impact that new development would have on the village. He was advised that a local law imposing a moratorium was on the table for approximately a year, many residents spoke against a moratorium and the proposed local law recently removed from the table.

Residents expressed concern regarding on street parking throughout the village and would not want to see a new development full of cars on the street.

Attorney Peluso requested that they resubmit the application prior to the next meeting. Trustee Murphy will contact Provident regarding an escrow account.

BRUSH TRUCK BID – Shane Mahar

Shane Mahar explained that for the last 10 days the Fire Department Committee reviewed all of the bids. (A complete summary of the committee's findings is attached)

BID SUMMARY:

CET Fire Pumps: \$63,750, bid over budget, did not entertain this bid at all.
Wilde Fire: \$49,500, bid within budget, no discrepancies found.

VRS Sales: \$47,880, bid within budget, several discrepancies found
KME: \$41,610, bid within budget, several discrepancies found
Comparative analysis: After a thorough review of the bids received for the 2004-brush truck, the following may be concluded: CET Fire Pumps proposed a bid of \$63,750 for the construction and contents of the said brush truck. The maximum amount of budget money allotted for this purchase is \$50,000. The CET bid is over budget by \$13,750.

Wilde Fire Equipment Company proposed a bid of \$49,500 for the construction and contents of the said brush truck. The Wilde Fire bid is under budget by \$500. After a review of the bid no discrepancies were found. More importantly Wilde Fire guarantees a lifetime warranty on the poly UPF body that was requested for construction of the said brush truck.

VRS Sales proposed a bid of \$47,880 for the construction and contents of the said brush truck. Although the company submitted the second lowest bid, they failed to meet several of the most important bid requirements. The fire department specifications called for a poly UPF body with a lifetime warranty. VRS proposed a truck body constructed of structural aluminum extrusions. Furthermore, VRS only offers a seven year rust free warranty for the service life of the vehicle and a three-year material and workmanship warranty.

KME Fire Apparatus proposed a bid of \$41,610 for the construction and contents of said brush truck. This company submitted the lowest price to build the village's new piece of firefighting apparatus. Although KME's cost is the most under budget the specifications proposed do not match the requested needs of the fire department.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

At this time, after completing a review and comparative analysis of the bids received for the construction and contents of a 2004 brush truck, the fire department truck committee recommends the bid be awarded to Wilde Fire Equipment Company of Mayfield, New York. Wilde Fire's proposed cost is under the \$50,000 budget amount. Wilde Fire has guaranteed a lifetime warranty on the body of the truck. A warranty offered by no other manufacturer. As an investment now, this warranty will act as a cost saving measure in the future years to come. This company met the required specifications of the fire department. Wilde Fire has a proven track record of truck manufacturing and has a history with this department. Our 1997 engine-tanker was custom built by Paul Wilde and our 1871 Button Steamer was proudly restored through his company. The truck committee believes the Village of Stillwater residents that we protect will benefit the most by awarding this bid to Wilde Fire Equipment Company.

Mayor Martin questioned if we do not accept the lowest bid would there be legal problems.

Attorney Peluso advised that there are material discrepancies, some of the companies failed to meet the specifications. Board should award to the most responsible lowest bidder who meets the specifications. If you ask for one thing and they want to give you something else you are not required to purchase what you did not request. The report from the Assistant Chief is very detailed.

MOTION to accept the bid of \$49,500.00 submitted by Wilde Fire Equipment Company, inc. for the Fire Truck Brush Body based on the Stillwater Fire Department Truck Committee recommendation Wilde Fire Equipment Company being the lowest responsible bidder having materially met the specifications as requested by the Village and set forth by the Fire Chief made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 4-0

**PUBLIC HEARING
VILLAGE OF STILLWATER
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Martin called the public hearing to order at 7:30 P.M., he read the notice of public hearing.

Trustee Walker reviewed the Comprehensive Plan for the public. He explained the need for the Plan is to get a better understanding of water, sewer, and roads. By creating a plan we are better able to respond to the requests from developers.

He reviewed the goals 1-12 for the public.

Trustee Walker advised that this plan has been approved by the Saratoga County Planning Department. He requested comments from the public.

Former Trustee Kinisky stated he would like to commend the Board for this plan, it is much needed in the village. He stated Councilman Arthur Baker asked that he convey that he is also in favor of this plan.

Former Trustee Ken Baker is also in favor of the plan.

Michelle Brown, Ferry Lane spoke to the Board, she feels the plan is a very good idea, she questioned the development of the waterfront. She said Ferry Lane is a private road, she also has concerns that people would have access to the water plant and the school.

Mr. E. Hurd questioned how many developers are interested in developing land in the Village. He was told that we have been approached by at least 4 developers recently.

Mr. J. Steele questioned if there have been any discussions regarding extending the sidewalks to the school and/or beyond. It was explained that would be an important part of the plan. It was stated that the State does not want to install sidewalks because they would have to address drainage problems that exist.

Ms. Sanders stated that it was 60 years ago that the trolley tracks were removed to make ammunition for the war.

Trustee Walker thanked everyone for their attendance and input.

MOTION the 2004 Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Stillwater as approved by the Saratoga County Planning Board made by Trustee Walker seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Roll call vote: Trustee Walker	yes
Trustee Murphy	yes
Trustee Hanehan	yes
Trustee Riccardi	yes
Mayor Martin	yes

Motion carried 5-0

Public Hearing regarding the SEQR for the proposed Stillwater Landing Project cancelled until they amend their application.

MOTION to adjourn made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Riccardi.

Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Partak
Clerk Treasurer