

SPECIAL MEETING-BOARD OF TRUSTEES-SEPTEMBER 12, 2005-7:00 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: ROBERT GERASIA, SUPT OF PUBLIC WORKS; RANDY RATHBUN FORMER SUPT

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge to the Flag

MOTION to adopt the Serial Bond Resolution in the amount of \$100,000 to pay for the splitting of the sanitary force main along Hudson Avenue and the pumps for the American Linen Pump Station was made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Hanehan.

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to adopt the Bond Anticipation Note Resolution to borrow \$100,000 from Ballston Spa National Bank at an interest rate of 3.2% for a period of one year was made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Hanehan.

Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Martin asked the Board's wishes regarding the penalty received from the Town of Stillwater for a delinquent payment. Trustee Hanehan questioned if the Mayor had discussed the various items requested by the Board with the Supervisor. Mayor Martin stated the Supervisor agreed to forward the money for the water taps along Stratton Lane and return to paying the electric charges for the operation of the pumps at the Castle Cliff station.

MOTION to refund the Town of Stillwater \$3,512.71 late fee contingent upon the Town paying the Village of Stillwater the amount due for four water taps along Stratton Lane and having the Castle Cliff pump station electric service bills returned to the Town of Stillwater made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Riccardi.

Motion carried 4-0

Department of Public Works Employee

Trustee Hanehan suggested that Keith McBride be promoted to Heavy Equipment Operator at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour. He has become a valued employee and should be promoted to that position.

MOTION to promote Keith McBride to position of Heavy Equipment Operator at a rate of \$15.00 per hour effective September 12th was made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 4-0

Trustee Hanehan advised that Trustee Riccardi, Supt. Gerasia and he had interviewed applicants for the position of Machine Equipment Operator. They feel that it would be in the best interest of the Village to appoint Matthew Rifenburgh to a 6-month provisional appointment beginning September 19, 2005.

MOTION to appoint Matthew Rifenburgh to a 6-month provisional appointment was made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Discussion: it was decided to offer Mr. Rifenburgh \$13.70 as a new hire and he would receive a \$.50 raise at the end of 6-months and an additional \$.50 at the end of one year.

Motion carried 4-0

Arvin-Hart Fire Company request for sanitary sewer connection.

The Board reviewed the proposed contract that was prepared by the Village Attorney. The Mayor would like the Board to consider allowing access for no charge. Discussion was held regarding this, the Stillwater Rescue Squad is required to pay Debt Service only, however as an outside user the Fire Company could not be charged Debt Service. It was decided that it was not fair to village residents to

allow an outside user to connect to the sanitary sewer without paying a fee for the service. The Village of Stillwater is only authorizing the Fire Station tap and fee; no additional taps are to be made from that lateral.

MOTION to grant provisional approval of the contract to provide sanitary sewer services to the Stillwater Fire District, Arvin Hart Fire Company, for their new fire station located on the corner of Campbell and Kellogg Roads. The approval is contingent upon the Town of Stillwater installation of the second pump at the Castle Cliff pump station and the installation of the flow meter in that station. Motion made by Trustee Riccardi, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to authorize the Supt. of Public Works to purchase the new pumps for the American Linen Sewer Pump station at a cost not to exceed \$20,000 made by Trustee Hanehan, seconded by Trustee Walker.

Discussion: this motion is contingent upon the receipt of the BAN money to complete the splitting of the sanitary sewer forcemain.

Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Martin requested information regarding the recent accident where a dog was hit by a DPW truck.

Supt. Gerasia explained the dog was running loose and it darted out from next to the house in front of the truck he was driving. He was unable to avoid hitting the dog this time. He explained this has happened before. Discussion was held regarding the liability of the Village in this incident it was decided that the Board would like a legal opinion from the Attorney before making a determination if they would pay the veterinary expenses.

Hallum Trailer Park changes:

Discussion was held regarding the situation at the trailer park, there are 5 mobile homes located in the village and 12 mobile homes located in the town. There are two meters one for each portion of the mobile home park. It has recently been discovered that one of the mobile homes located in the village actually receives water through the town meter. Due to recent events it is necessary to correct this situation. It was decided that an additional meter would need to be installed to service that one meter in the village so that it no longer registers on the town meter.

Mr. Rathbun arrived at this time, he explained that he spoke to Mr. Hallum and advised the way this needed to be done and that the meter would need to be purchased from the village.

Mr. Rathbun introduced Mr. Scott Gonyea to the Board of Trustees, he explained Mr. Gonyea was the contractor who completed the work in the upstairs fire meeting rooms. The original contract was for \$30,000, this meeting was necessary to explain the additional charges and settle the final payment.

Mr. Gonyea explained the extra work that was necessary; Mr. Rathbun explained the various extra items that were part of the final bill.

MOTION authorizing the Treasurer to forward \$2,500 final payment to Mr. Scott Gonyea for extra wiring work that was necessary to complete the fire meeting room project was made by Trustee, seconded by Trustee.

Motion carried 4-0

Meeting adjourned at P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Partak
Clerk