

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2009

The public session of the meeting was called to order by Mayor Judith H Phillips at 7:00pm. Present were Trustees Gregory A Coon, William E Smagner, Nicholas P Kelly and Wayne N Weber. Also present were Superintendent Mark L Specchio, Police Chief Thomas A Struble, Clerk/Treasurer Donna J Beardsley and Account Clerk/Typist Rhonda E Slater. There were eight other people in attendance, four of which were visiting boy scouts.

PUBLIC
SESSION -
ATTENDANCE

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

There were no public concerns.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Trustee Coon made the motion to accept the police department report for December as presented. Trustee Smagner seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

POLICE
DEPARTMENT
REPORT

JUSTICE REPORTS:

Trustee Kelly made the motion to approve the Justice report as presented by Judge Dugo for the month of December 2008. Trustee Weber seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

JUSTICE
REPORTS

DEPARTMENT HEADS' REPORTS:

Trustee Kelly made the motion to accept the department heads' reports as presented. Trustee Coon seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

DEPARTMENT
HEADS'
REPORTS

Trustee Coon asked Superintendent Specchio about the storm sewer collapsing on the corner of Second Street and Lakeview Ave. He wondered if it could be due to the additional truck and bus traffic that has begun this year. Superintendent Specchio stated the heavy vehicles could be partially to blame.

Mayor Phillips requested that the Village leave the snowflake decorations up longer next year.

Discussion ensued regarding the park office and pavilion roof repairs.

CONFERENCE REQUESTS:

There were no conference requests.

CONFERENCE
REQUESTS

BOARD CONCERNS:

Trustee Kelly had no Board Concerns.

BOARD
CONCERNS

Trustee Weber had no Board Concerns.

Trustee Smagner asked how the new ERT water meter installation was proceeding. He was informed that approximately half of Magee Street was done and that other select homes/businesses have also been done.

Trustee Coon requested an update on Mr. Barnes water test results. Superintendent Specchio stated that the test samples were sent to the lab, but no solid results have been given to the Village at this time.

Trustee Coon then wondered if there was an approximate park office project completion date. Superintendent Specchio responded with a date of February 1st.

Trustee Weber made the motion to approve a request via fax from the Empire State Cruzers to host their annual car show at Clute Park July 24 & 25, 2009. Trustee Kelly seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

A policy for festivals and events was distributed by Clerk/Treasurer Beardsley. The item was tabled until next meeting with a motion by Trustee Weber, a second from Trustee Coon and all in agreement. Motion Carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Beardsley informed the Board that Local Law #1 of 2008 has officially been filed with the Department of State and that the Village is now able to install new signage to comply with said law. A short discussion of odd/even parking on 1st Street followed.

Clerk/Treasurer Beardsley then updated the Board on a meeting to be held on January 13, 2009 at 10:30 am here at the municipal building with the Village financial advisors, USDA and the Town of Dix to discuss the architectural designs from Meehan Architecture and financing the project.

She further explained that the Justice grant for the additional equipment and rebuilding of the Judge's bench has been tentatively approved, pending the receipt of some requested supplementary information.

At this time, Frank Craven of Arrowhead Disposal entered. Clerk/Treasurer Beardsley then brought up the request brought before the Board to alter the recycling contract to help cover the newly incurred costs by Arrowhead Disposal. Her suggestion was that the Board receive input from the Village Attorney regarding changing a signed contract. Much discussion followed. Mr. Craven then stated that he would finish out the recycling contract as stated in the contract.

Trustee Kelly made the motion to reimburse Minard LaFever \$166.0 for eyeglasses that broke while on the job site. Trustee Coon seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

Mayor Phillips then informed the Board of upcoming meetings regarding the proposed water district and Village utility rates.

RESOLUTIONS:

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Trustee Coon made the motion to accept the resignation of Dr. James Norton as Health Officer for the Village of Watkins Glen. Trustee Smagner seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

The following resolution appointing Dr. James Winkler was adopted with a motion by Trustee Weber, a second by Trustee Kelly and all being in favor. Motion Carried.

WHEREAS, the long time Health Officer for the Village of Watkins Glen has resigned; and

WHEREAS, the Village is desirous of appointing another Health Officer; and

HEALTH OFFICER APPOINTMENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, after being involved in Council of Government meetings concerning the benefits of having a Health Officer, the Village of Watkins Glen is desirous of participating with the other municipalities in the County in appointing Dr. James Winkler as Health Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees does hereby appoint Dr. James Winkler as the Health Officer for fiscal year 2008-2009.

MINUTES:

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Trustee Smagner made the motion to accept the minutes from the December 15, 2008 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Weber seconded the motion. All were in accord. Motion Carried.

AUDIT:

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Trustee Coon made the motion to accept the abstract of unaudited vouchers, along with the add-ons, for January 5, 2009 at the following amounts:

General	\$52,353.67	Water	\$5,875.98
Electric	\$7,203.07	Sewer	\$9,078.74

Trustee Smagner seconded and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no other business, Trustee Smagner made the motion to adjourn at 7:45pm. Trustee Coon seconded and all agreed. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhonda E Slater

ADJOURNMENT

