

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2009

Prior to the public session, a short five minute SCUDD presentation was given by Mel Schroeder in hopes to make Village representatives aware of the scope of underage drinking and ways the Village, as an entity, can help in reducing this activity.

The public session of the meeting was called to order by Mayor Judith H Phillips at 7:06pm. 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 was one other person in attendance.

PUBLIC
SESSION -
ATTENDANCE

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

There were no public concerns.

PUBLIC
CONCERNS

JUSTICE REPORTS:

There were no Justice reports.

JUSTICE
REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Police Chief Struble commented on the fact that the new software has made it possible for the patrolmen to spend less time in the office and more time out on patrol. This, in part, has created an increase in citations issued this month. Trustee Kelly made several comments about the citations issued. Then Trustee Smagner made the motion to accept the report as presented. Trustee Coon seconded this motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

POLICE
DEPARTMENT
REPORT

DEPARTMENT HEADS' REPORTS:

Trustee Weber made the motion to approve the Parks Department and Codes/Zoning Department reports as presented. Trustee Coon seconded the motion. All were in accord. Motion Carried.

DEPARTMENT
HEADS'
REPORTS

At the recommendation of Hunt Engineers, Trustee Coon made a motion to award the Catherine Valley Trail Extension bid, which was opened on Wednesday, February 18, 2009, to Edger Enterprises. The total construction cost, as bid by Edger Enterprises was \$103, 500. There were approximately nine bids received. Trustee Smagner seconded the motion and all agreed. Motion Carried.

CVT
EXTENSION BID
AWARDED

The discussion on the engineering proposal for the raw water intake project was postponed because representative Chuck Franzese was unable to attend the meeting, last minute. The Village Board will schedule another meeting to discuss this further. Superintendent Mark Specchio gave some approximate engineering fees he had received in advance concerning this project.

CONFERENCE REQUESTS:

Trustee Coon made the motion for Deputy Clerk Naomi Kingsley to attend a meeting on March 12th at the Chemung County Resource Center to discuss the mail order prescription plan under the new health insurance. There will be no fee. Trustee Smagner seconded the motion and all were in accord. Motion Carried.

CONFERENCE
REQUESTS

He then made the motion for Deputy Clerk Kingsley to attend the PERMA regional meeting in Fayetteville on March 13, 2009. There is no fee associated with this meeting. Trustee Smagner seconded this motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Phillips then discussed the Southern Tier Regional course agenda. Then Clerk/Treasurer Beardsley informed the Board of the Main Street – NYCOM conference to be held April 30th.

BOARD CONCERNS:

Trustee Kelly brought up a concern about the poor condition of the property at 148 S Monroe Street. He was informed that the owner had vacated the premises, the utilities have been shut off and that the Village will have to do something to clean up the mess left behind.

BOARD
CONCERNS

Trustee Kelly then discussed the budget cuts presented by Park Manager Michelle Hyde.

Trustee Weber had no Board concerns.

Trustee Smagner made the motion to withdraw Al's Construction from the pavilion roof project for incompleteness of work and rebid the job. Much discussion followed. He withdrew his motion.

Trustee Coon had no Board concerns.

Clerk/Treasurer Beardsley informed the Board of an error made at the last Board meeting. The sewer credits to be applied to the Gardiner's account should've been \$117.00 and not \$256.50. Trustee Kelly made the motion to accept the correction. Trustee Weber seconded. All were in concurrence. Motion Carried.

Clerk Beardsley then brought up the tabled request from Phil Barnes. Superintendent Specchio stated that no authorization for the tests was made through the Village of Watkins Glen. The request for the testing was through the Watershed Department. Trustee Kelly made the motion to accept the request to pay the fees. Discussion followed regarding proper procedures that should have been followed that were neglected. Trustee Kelly withdrew his motion. Trustee Smagner made the motion not to pay for the water tests. Trustee Weber seconded the motion. All were of the same opinion. Motion Carried.

Trustee Weber discussed the request to affirm a negative declaration for the Local Waterfront Revitalization plan. He felt that there could be a possible effect on environment and felt that the declaration should be conditional. He made the motion to state a conditional negative declaration for the Local Waterfront Revitalization plan. Trustee Kelly seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion Carried. It was noted that this information will be available for the public to review in the Village Clerk's office for the next thirty (30) days.

Superintendent Specchio had no concerns.

Police Chief Struble had no concerns.

Mayor Phillips shared her desire to set up a meeting about upcoming downtown grants for building improvements. She further requested that a digital copy of the Local Waterfront Revitalization plan be sent to the Chamber of Commerce and a map of Lakeside Park be sent to the head of the Empire State PT Cruzers.

RESOLUTIONS:

There were no resolutions.

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MINUTES:

Trustee Weber made the motion to accept the minutes from the February 17, 2009 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Smagner seconded the motion. Trustee Kelly abstained. The rest were all in favor. Motion Carried.

MINUTES

AUDIT:

Trustee Coon made the motion to accept the abstract of unaudited vouchers, along with the add-ons, for March 3, 2009 at the following amounts:

AUDIT

General	\$9,199.59	Water	\$7,064.15
Electric	\$126,841.09	Sewer	\$10,177.82
Cap. Projects - CVT	\$55.68		

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

ADJOURNMENT:

With no other business, Trustee Coon made the motion to adjourn at 7:56pm. Trustee Smagner seconded and all agreed. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhonda E Slater

