

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD AUGUST 4, 2014

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor R Mark Swinnerton, Jr. who led the assembled in the pledge of allegiance. Present were Mayor R Mark Swinnerton, Trustee Paul E Clifford, Trustee Kevin J Smith, Trustee Anthony J Fraboni, Superintendent of Utilities Mark L Specchio, Superintendent of Streets, Parks and Cemeteries Donald R Perry, Police Chief Thomas R Struble, Clerk/Treasurer Donna J Beardsley and Senior Account Clerk Typist Rhonda E Slater. Also present were Electric Supervisor Minard LaFever and Code Enforcement Officer Gregory Larnard. Absent were Trustee Scott D Gibson, Park Manager Michelle Hyde and Water Supervisor Harley Connelly. There were approximately fifteen others in attendance.

ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

Clerk Beardsley added Public Hearing Local Law #3 - Street Vendor Law to the agenda.

Superintendent Perry had one Street Department personnel matter for executive session.

Mayor Swinnerton had one WWTP personnel issue for executive session.

PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to open the public hearing at 7:02pm for Local Law #3 – Street Vendor Law. Trustee Paul E Clifford seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Jo Ann & Jack Considine - tree removal

Jo Ann Considine, owner of 222 Third Street, expressed to the Board her dissatisfaction with the removal of tree at her residence during their absence stating that there was no advanced notice that the tree was on a removal list. Discussion followed, with Mayor Swinnerton and Trustee Smith stating that the Board will be reviewing the current tree removal policy and make changes which will include ways to improve communication between the Village and the property owners.

Louis Perazzini then spoke up regarding a tree removal petition that he submitted several years ago. He stated that the tree is infested with bugs and is dying. Electric Supervisor LaFever stated that because of the fire at the Shared Services building it was delayed, but the tree is on the removal list for this summer.

David Crea spoke to the Board requesting they keep an open mind about the Crestwood LPG gas storage project. Mayor Swinnerton responded that the Village Board is still reviewing all the data and is trying to set up a time to visit the Bath facility. David Crea further commented that although the project would come with certain risks, wineries and salt drilling companies all have their own risks as well. Retired Cayuga Medical Center CEO Rob Mackenzie was present to express his concerns with the proposed Crestwood LPG storage project. He had provided the Board with a risk analysis for them to review prior to the meeting. Mayor Swinnerton, as well as Trustees, commented that they have reviewed the information presented. Angeline Franzese and Gita Devi also spoke against the Crestwood LPG gas storage project stating that the majority of people are against the storage once they understand what the project entails. Discussion followed.

Louis Perazzini then asked about the paving of Glen Ave. Superintendent Perry stated that it is on the schedule for the last week of August.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for Regular Meeting July 7, 2014

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Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on July 7, 2014. Trustee Paul E Clifford seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. The vote was as follows:

Yea: Mayor R Mark Swinnerton, Trustee Paul E Clifford, Trustee Anthony J Fraboni

Nay: None

Abstain: Trustee Kevin J Smith Motion Carried.

Minutes for Regular Meeting July 21, 2014

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Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on July 21, 2014. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. Mayor Swinnerton and Trustee Clifford had to abstain from the motion as neither was in attendance. There was no quorum. Trustee Kevin J Smith withdrew his motion. The minutes were tabled.

REPORTS

Parks Department Report

Parks Report July 18 - 31, 2014

Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to approve the Parks Department report as submitted. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. The Board discussed the fact that the following event applications had not been signed off by the Fire Department. Mayor Swinnerton stated that Fire Chief Judson Smith will be attending the Board meeting to be held on August 18, 2014. The Board then discussed the Italian American Festival. Superintendent Specchio commented that things went well with the festival, but that it shut down early on Sunday due to rain. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Special Events Applications

Seneca Swim Fundraiser Event August 23, 2014

Jet Ski Event August 23-24, 2014

Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to conditionally approve the aforementioned special events, provided the Fire Department signs off on the applications by Friday, August 8, 2014. Trustee Paul E Clifford seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Street Department Report

Street Report July 18 - 31, 2014

Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to approve the Street Department report as presented. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. Mayor Swinnerton inquired about the stump grinding. Superintendent Perry commented that the machinery was working well. Trustee Smith then asked about the mowing of the diversion ditch. Superintendent Perry replied that the work was done in house. The Village borrowed the tractor from the Landfill Commission, but did rent the brush hog. The weed eating of the diversion ditch hasn't been done. The Board then discussed looking into sending the diversion ditch work out to bid with the cemetery mowing bids. Superintendent Perry then commented that the storm sewer work on Third Street has been completed and now they are working on Glen Ave/Second St to get that back in shape. The crews have also seeded and mulched the area down at the Water Works building. Water Supervisor Connelly commented that the partition wall inside the building is the last step to be completed for the Water Works project. Mayor Swinnerton requested that Supervisor Connelly speak to NYSDOH to discuss the requirements for the partition wall. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Water Department Report

Water Report July 17 - 30, 2014

Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to approve the Water Department report. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. Trustee Clifford then inquired about the sanitary manhole with a storm grate on it that was discovered while marking out a UFPO for the school and asked if rectifying this would help with the I&I work. Superintendent Specchio replied in the affirmative. Superintendent Specchio then discussed a rusty water issue on Orchard Ave. The Village is going to try to look at water flow patterns and check the valves in the area to make sure they are gauged properly and the loop is properly established. It is possible that the break on Glen Ave may have helped cause the current issues. Lastly the Board discussed the zebra mussel buildup on the intake screen. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Electric Department Report

Electric Report July 21 - August 1, 2014

Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to approve the Electric Department report as submitted. Trustee Paul E Clifford seconded the motion. Trustee Clifford then commented on the abnormal number of streetlights reported being out. Electric Supervisor LaFever stated that it is typical for summer to be replacing them and that they are being replaced with LEDs when in stock. Supervisor LaFever then commented that he has samples coming of two other styles of streetlights that are relatively inexpensive, coming in at under \$150/piece. Trustee Smith then asked about the bucket truck replacement. Supervisor LaFever stated that the specs are already put together. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Wastewater Department Report

Sewer Report July 17 - August 1, 2014

Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to approve the Wastewater Department report. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. Superintendent Specchio commented that the Village is still excursion free ; we have been in compliance for over 2 months. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Sewer Credit Request - Paradiso Request

Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to approve an eight unit, \$36.72 credit for Liz Paradiso for filling her pool. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Zoning and Building Department Report

Codes Report July 21 - August 1, 2014

Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to approve the Zoning and Building Department report as presented. Trustee Paul E Clifford seconded the motion. The Board thanked CEO Larnard for his nuisance abatement work. CEO Larnard then discussed the Dunkin Donuts corrective work stating that he will meet with Mr. Bond tomorrow and a meeting will be held in late August with members from the Planning Board, NYSDOT and Manish Patel to discuss the matter. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Superintendent's Reports

Superintendent's Projects July 21 to August 1, 2014

WWTP Attack Plan July 21 - August 1, 2014

Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to approve the Superintendent's reports as submitted. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. Trustee Clifford asked if it was necessary to call anyone in for the rain event on Sunday. Superintendent Specchio stated that Sewer Maintenance Mechanic Tom Peoples stayed until 9:30pm Sunday night to man the plant. The wet weather operations plan seems to be working. The Board then inquired about the annual NYSDEC inspection. Superintendent Specchio replied the meeting went well and that they discussed the new chlorination rule, however, the changes will not affect us for now since we are under a consent order. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Police Department Report

Police Report for July 2014

Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to approve the Police Department report. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. Police Chief Struble commented that the festival went great and no issues were had. He did state, however, that he will be speaking to the Sheriff's office regarding the boater situation in an attempt to be proactive and deter any possible problems in the future. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Fire Department Report

Fire Department Report for July 2014

Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to approve the Fire Department report as submitted. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. The Board discussed the FEMA grant for roughly \$300,000 that has been awarded for the purchase of a new tanker truck. The Fire Department will start drawing up the specs tonight. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

CONFERENCE REQUESTS

Annual MEUA Conference Sept 9-12, 2014

Trustee Kevin J Smith made the motion to approve the hotel stay for Minard LaFever for the annual MEUA conference in Canandaigua at a cost of \$618.75. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

AUDIT

General Audit

Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to approve the general audit for August 4, 2014 in the following amounts. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion.

General	\$35,671.43	Water	\$4,380.77
Electric	\$43,699.55	Sewer	\$12,659.30

The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

VOTING ITEMS

JPC Appointments

Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to approve the Mayoral JPC Appointments of Trustee Fraboni and Trustee Gibson as Village representatives for Project Seneca. Mayor Swinnerton stated that a meeting would be coming up soon to discuss donations that have been received. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Close Public Hearing

With no comments from the public, Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to Close Public Hearing on Local Law #3- Street Vendor Law at 8:25pm. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Local Law - Vendor Law

Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to approve Local Law #3 of 2014 – Street Vendor Law. Trustee Anthony J Fraboni seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. The vote was as follows:

Yea: Mayor R Mark Swinnerton, Trustee Paul E Clifford, Trustee Anthony J Fraboni

Nay: Trustee Kevin J Smith

Abstain: None Motion Carried.

BOARD CONCERNS/NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Smith inquired about the Village's online viewing of utility accounts. He was informed that the software programmers were working on rectifying the problem. He then requested that no further payments be made to the company until the issue is resolved.

Trustee Smith then asked if there was any further news from NYSDOT regarding the parking spaces and no turn on red at the intersection of Decatur Street and Fourth Street and the delayed light request for the intersection at Fourth and Franklin Streets. Superintendent Specchio stated that he has not moved forward with the issue.

Mayor Swinnerton gave a brief update on the Council of Governments meeting and the sales tax revenue sharing proposal presented by the County to the municipalities for sales tax sharing over the next thirty years provided the joint wastewater treatment plant continues to move forward. Discussion followed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (as needed)

Trustee Anthony J Fraboni made the motion to exit public session and enter executive session for two personnel matters at 8:35pm. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Paul E Clifford made the motion to close executive session and adjourn the meeting at 9:21pm. Trustee Kevin J Smith seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhonda E Slater