

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Samuel Schimizzi who led the assembled in the pledge of allegiance. Present were Mayor Samuel Schimizzi, Trustee Gary Schmidt, Trustee Anthony Fraboni, Trustee Kevin Thornton, Trustee Laurie DeNardo, Superintendent of Streets, Parks and Cemeteries Don Perry, Superintendent of Public Works Mark Specchio, Police Chief Thomas Struble, Village Clerk Donna Beardsley and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Rhonda Slater. Also present were Sewer Treatment Plant Supervisor Terry Wilcox and Park Manager Michelle Hyde. Absent were Electric Supervisor Minard LaFever, Code Enforcement Officer Gregory Larnard, and Water Supervisor Harley Connelly. There were two other persons in attendance.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Concession Stand Use Request 2017 – John Willett

John Willett was not present. There were no other public concerns.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for Regular Meeting September 19, 2016

Trustee Anthony Fraboni made the motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on September 19, 2016. Trustee Laurie DeNardo seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

REPORTS

Parks Report September 15 - 29, 2016, Street Report September 19-30, 2016, Codes Report September 19 - 30, 2016, Sewer Report September 19 - October 3, 2016, Electric Report September 19 - 30, 2016, Superintendent's Projects September 19 - October 3, 2016, Police Report September 2016

Sewer Plant Supervisor Terry Wilcox informed the Board that they have started the Infiltration & Inflow project. He then discussed the issues with the clarifier which the sewer plant is currently packing full of grease to keep it running as long as possible without having to replace/rebuild it. Park Manager Michelle Hyde stated that the park is winding down with the campground closing on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 and the Farmer's Market at Clute Park already closed. She further stated that the skate program will start Friday, October 14, 2016. Superintendent Don Perry informed the Board that they have finished the storm sewer project down by Carquest, but have a little more blacktopping to do down there. He gave a brief update on the storm sewer and sanitary sewer connections at Carquest and steps taken to prevent backflow into the building. Superintendent Don Perry reminded the Board that the Street Department will be doing oil and stone to seal several streets in the Village. Police Chief Thomas Struble commented that from a Police standpoint the Vintage Festival went well and the speed limit sign has been a success. The sign was down on Decatur Street for the first few weeks of school, but is now up on Steuben St. A more permanent pole will be erected up by the water tank for the sign to be placed in a more effective area. Superintendent Mark Specchio stated that the contractor for the sewer rehab project (Grant Street Construction) will begin on County Route 28 tomorrow. Grant Street should finish up in this area this week; then they will begin working down at Clute Park. Superintendent Mark Specchio then discussed the issues with equipment at the water plant. The parts have been ordered. He also stated that the SCADA system will need to be updated. Lastly, Superintendent Mark Specchio informed the Board that the water mains for the Seneca Terrace apartments have been chlorinated and will be hooked up tomorrow. Mayor Samuel Schimizzi spoke about his meeting with the Watkins Glen Fire Department and Townships (Dix and Reading). Another meeting will be scheduled in the near future and the Clerk's attendance was requested. Trustee Laurie DeNardo then made the motion to approve the Department Heads' reports as presented. Trustee Gary Schmidt seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

VOTING ITEMS

Sewer Credits

Trustee Anthony Fraboni made the motion to approve sewer credit requests of one unit each, a \$5.25 savings, to Ed Augustine and John Vona. Trustee Kevin Thornton seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Skate Staff Approval

Trustee Laurie DeNardo made the motion to approve the hiring of the following people for the 2016-2017 Skate Program beginning Friday, October 14, 2016. Park Manager Hyde is still looking for more staff to act as subs for this program. Trustee Gary Schmidt seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Michelle Wead - co-skate manager - \$11.50/hr
Natasha Evans - \$10.00/hr
Emily Byers - \$10.00/hr
Sarah Wead - \$10.00/hr

William DeSarno - \$10.00/hr
Mechel Wead - \$10.00/hr
Jesika Craven - \$10.00/hr
Breeana Bentley - \$10.00/hr

Winter Storage at Clute Park

Trustee Gary Schmidt made the motion to approve winter storage for trailers and/or boats down at Clute Park Campground from October 11, 2016 – April 21, 2017 at a fee of \$200.00. Trustee Laurie DeNardo seconded the motion. The Board then discussed the possibility of giving preferential placement to Village residents and/or reducing the rate to \$100.00 or \$150.00 for Village residents. The Board ultimately instructed Park Manager Hyde to allow first allotment of available sites to Village residents. The Board then voted on the motion to approve. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Mayor Samuel Schimizzi, Trustee Kevin Thornton, Trustee Anthony Fraboni

Nays: Trustee Gary Schmidt

Abstains: Trustee Laurie DeNardo Motion Carried.

Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution

Trustee Anthony Fraboni made the motion to approve the following resolution adopting Schuyler County’s Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan resolution. Trustee Laurie DeNardo seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

WHEREAS, The Village of Watkins Glen has gathered information and reviewed Schuyler County’s Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Schuyler County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Watkins Glen is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the aforementioned Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Village Board has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Watkins Glen Board of Trustees adopts Schuyler County’s Hazard Mitigation Plan as the Village’s Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

Municipal Solutions Proposal

Trustee Anthony Fraboni made the motion to approve a proposal for services from Municipal Solutions, Inc in connection with the Village of Watkins Glen’s BAN for the acquisition of a bucket truck for the Electric Department and for the Mayor to sign said proposal. Trustee Gary Schmidt seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Bucket Truck Bonding

Trustee Laurie DeNardo made the motion to approve the attached bond resolution for the acquisition of the bucket truck. Trustee Kevin Thornton seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

CONFERENCE REQUESTS

There were no conference requests.

AUDIT

Trustee Laurie DeNardo made the motion to approve the audit in the following amounts. Trustee Anthony Fraboni seconded the motion.

General	\$32,571.88	Sewer	\$9,494.82
Electric	\$230,139.33	Water	\$5,194.18

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

BOARD CONCERNS

Clerk Donna Beardsley presented a NYDEC SPDES permit application in conjunction with the new wastewater treatment plant. The Board authorized the Mayor to sign the application.

Clerk Donna Beardsley then presented Amendment #7 with Barton & Loguidice to increase the total for filter purchasing by \$5,000. The matter was tabled.

Mayor Schimizzi read a letter from Ted Marks asking the Village to consider adding parking spots on Franklin Street. Chief Thomas Struble stated that his department could review the areas mentioned, but no changes can occur without changing the Village’s local law on parking.

John and Kevi Willett entered the meeting and requested that the Board extend their lease of the concession stand down at Clute Park for another year. The Board was in favor.

Watkins Glen Central School District Superintendent Tom Phillips and Nan Woodworth came to the meeting to discuss the sustainability of the summer recreation program at Clute Park. Although the school grant funds have been exhausted, they would be able to help provide equipment (bicycles and kayaks) for the program, transportation to Clute Park and coordination between the Summer Recreation Program and Swimming/Summer School Programs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Laurie DeNardo made the motion to exit public session and enter executive session at 7:22pm for Superintendent Mark Specchio's personnel matter and negotiation item and Laurie DeNardo's contractual matter. Trustee Anthony Fraboni seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Anthony Fraboni made the motion to end executive session and adjourn the meeting at 8:04pm. Trustee Kevin Thornton seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Rhonda E Slater