

WORK SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MARCH 25,
2014 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE DEPOSIT THEATER

PRESENT: Mayor O'Connor, Trustees Strauss and O'Connell, CT Decker, DCT Budine,
Fire Chief Rynearson, Assit Fire Chief Zacharias, EMS Ted Baker, Paul Lantz, Jim
Conklin, Aaron Smith, Brandy Warner, and Sharon Wright, CEO Conklin and Chief
Cantwell

ABSENT: Trustee Mott, Hathaway, DPW Hubbard

Mayor O'Connor opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION#39/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Strauss to accept for
filing the monthly Code Enforcement Report. The motion carried unanimously.

CEO Conklin stated he felt having to have the report in by the Friday before a meeting
was not necessary as he goes over his report at the meeting and is available for
questions. The Mayor stated that there has never been a problem with the submission
of the report and stated whatever worked for Barry. At this point there was some
discussion on chickens within the Village – all agreed – No Chickens.

OLD BUSINESS

STREETS

No old business

WATER

No old business

SEWER

No old business

BUILDINGS

No old business

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No old business

EMERGENCY SQUAD

No old business

PRESIDENT

Mayor O'Connor stated that at the last meeting he said that anyone that was a non-
resident of the Village could not speak. He wanted to correct that statement at this
meeting. He also wanted to introduce some meeting guidelines that he prefers as
follows:

BASIC RULES

Time Limit is 3 minutes.

There is no need for personal verbal attacks on Village personnel.

If someone is of the opinion that a Village employee has mishandled a problem or has or is
creating a problem in an unnecessary manor, a letter should be submitted to the Village
board in writing for distribution prior to the meeting if possible.

The Village board can only discuss specific personnel matters in executive session, not in
public.

Civility is the key word and sticking to the topic, which should only be topics that pertain to
the Village.

Once the case or issue is stated, it is not necessary to repeat the topic over and over and if
so, it could cause intervention from the board.

No third party complaints.

There will be more discussion with a full board at the next meeting.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION#40/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Strauss to hire Aaron Smith as a Part Time Police Officer to be enrolled in the Otsego County Police Academe April 1, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

At this point the Mayor administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Smith.

TRUSTEES

Trustee O'Connell informed the board that the Eagle River Valley Breakfast Meeting had been changed to April 10, 2014 at 7; 30 a.m.

FINANCE

No old business

NEW BUSINESS

STREETS

No new business

WATER

No new business

SEWER

No new business

BUILDINGS

No new business

FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOTION#41/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Strauss to purchase two laptops from Computer Emergency Room at \$549.00 each for the Fire Chief and the Assistant Fire Chief. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#42/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee O'Connell to accept the Constitution and By-Laws changes completed and approved by the Fire Department on March 18, 2014as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Rynearson informed the board that open house at the FIRE HALL was April 26, 2014 from noon to 3 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

No new business

PRESIDENT

**VILLAGE OF DEPOSIT
RESOLUTION #1 2014**

SUPPORT FORTHE UPPER DELAWARE RIVER TAILWATERS COALITION (UDRTC) POSITION STATEMENT SEEKING CHANGES FOR IMPROVED WATER RELEASES UNDER THE DECREE PARTY REVISED FLEXIBLE FLOW MANAGEMENT PLAN (FFMP) AND OPERATION SUPPORT TOOL (OST).

WHEREAS, the *FFMP/OST* has produced a number of incremental improvements in water releases to the river since its inception in 2008, there remains an opportunity to improve upon those management decisions for the economic and ecological benefit of communities and the fishery below the reservoirs; and

WHEREAS, the Upper Delaware River Tailwaters Coalition was formed to represent the interests of the Towns of Colchester, Deposit, and Hancock, the Villages of Deposit and Hancock, and The Friends of the Upper Delaware River through the promotion of sustainable and consistent releases from the Delaware River Basin Reservoirs to improve local economic and environmental conditions, enhance recreational attributes of the cold water portion of the river, and strengthening resiliency to flooding impacts and benefit the needs of all parties downstream; and

WHEREAS, the current interim *OST/FFMP* is under review for renewal on June 10f2014;

and

WHEREAS, water releases from the Cannonsville, Pepacton and Neversink reservoirs directly impact municipalities below the dams related to:

- the social-economic impacts resulting from flooding,
- the positive economic impacts of a world renowned cold water fishery and other recreational attributes.
- Inadequate sediment transport yielding unnatural sediment depositions affecting the tributaries to the East and West Branches of the Delaware and its main stem.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Deposit supports the following UDRTC positions:

1. Recognizing drought circumstances must be a priority, we support the UDRTC efforts to seek new standards and protocols for improved reservoir management including consistent year round water releases with special consideration during the months of May through September that:
 - Improve flood protection from spills that effect downstream communities and manage reservoir releases to correspond with natural bank-full runoff events which enhance sediment transport in the main stems delivered by tributaries;
 - Increase releases to the maximum extent possible to balance reservoir management objectives for flood related issues and the economic value of the tailwater system.
 - Maintain a thermal condition for a safe fish habitat with an optimal goal of 68° -72° F at Lordville, NY.
 - Provide water flows adequate to protect people, communities and the economic vitality of the region.
 - Manage direct releases for smoother transition in river flows.
2. The request for improved transparency regarding the management of the entire NYC water supply and the development of the *OST/FFMP* is needed to understand how it affects releases from the NYC reservoirs and the local impacts. It is imperative that **DEP** and Decree Parties provide a forum for education and transparency on the OST so interested parties understand OST impacts. The revised **FFMP** be extended for just one year to determine the impacts of the newly reactivated East-of-Hudson NYC Croton Water Supply System and other factors that may require timely changes to the OST *IFFMP*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution is sent to the Governors of NY, PA, NJ, DE, and the Mayor of NYC. The 5 Decree Party Principals, United States Senators Kirsten E. Gillibrand and Charles Schumer, Congressmen Chris Gibson and Tom Marino, NYS Senators **John** Bonacic, Tom Libous, James Seward, Assemblypersons Cliff Crouch; Peter Lopez; Claudia Tenney; The Delaware River Basin Commission Executive; and Director and the Upper Delaware River Council.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Trustee O'Connell	Aye
Trustee Mott	Absent
Trustee Hathaway	Absent
Trustee Strauss	Aye
Mayor John J. O'Connor	Aye

DATE March 25, 2014

A motion was offered by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Strauss to accept the Delaware River Tailwaters Resolution as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor then asked for support of the Broome County Casino Resolution as submitted. The Board took no action.

TRUSTEES
No new business

FINANCE

MOTION#43/14-15

A Motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Strauss to amend the March 11, 2014 Organizational Meeting minutes to reflect a one year appointment for the Deputy Clerk and the Clerk Treasurer rather than a three year appointment. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Strauss mentioned that his committee appointment was incorrect in the newspaper. C/T Decker said she would look and make the necessary changes.

MOTION#44/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee O'Connell to authorize the Mayor's signature on the Abstract of Audited Vouchers as follows:

General:	\$ 53,061.60
Water:	\$ 883.21
Sewer:	\$ 11,903.47

The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#45/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Strauss to enter into and out of Executive Session to discuss specific personnel. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#46/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee O'Connell to accept the Fire Dept. application of Brandy Warner. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#47/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee O'Connell to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: