

REGULAR SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MAY 9,
2017 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE DEPOSIT THEATER

PRESENT: Mayor Ryneerson, CT Decker, DCT Budine, Police Chief Cantwell,
Superintendent of DCS Denise Cook and Ethan Barry, Josh Space, Kermit Mott, Ann
Schambach, Mary O'Connell, Jim Durning, John O'Connor, Jim Conklin, Dawn
Giannone, Shauna Buttacavoli, Neil McDonald, Bridget Davis, Paul Lantz, and Fire
Chief Ryneerson

Mayor Ryneerson opened the board meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.
Mayor Ryneerson turned the meeting over Denis Cook of DCS. Ms. Cook explained the
upcoming DCS May 16, 2017 Budget at the High School Band Room. She explained
the change in tax levy. The increase in the tax levy is that a PILOT agreement had
expired and was back on the tax rolls. She explained that our district is paper rich
because of the NYC land on our tax rolls. However, we are really not rich and receive
much lower state aid packages than we should because of the NYC land. Ms. Cook
gave us some examples cost per thousand at \$50,000, \$75,000, and \$100,000. John
O'Connor asked about the school having unfunded mandates? Ms. Cook acknowledged
unfunded mandates – she said there was a long list. Mr. O'Connor felt this would be
critical information for her to distribute. Mr. O'Connor then asked about a merger with
Hancock. Mr. Barry and Ms. Cook both explained that a merger always has a winner
and a loser so to speak. They will never take that option off the table, however, for the
time being the sharing of several services is working well. Jim Conklin then asked how
when building a budget and looking to the future budgets they account for residents who
don't pay their taxes, properties that are abandoned. Ms. Cook replied that first and
foremost the needs of the children are taken into consideration then replacing/not
replacing equipment, shared services and yes a merger is always on the table. Mayor
Ryneerson thanked Ms. Cook and Mr. Barry for coming and encouraged all to get out
and vote on May 16, 2017 between 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the High School band
room.

MOTION#76/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Warner seconded by Trustee O'Connell to waive the
reading of the minutes from the April 11th, 2017 Regular Session and the April 25th,
2017 work session. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#77/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Smith seconded by Trustee Warner to accept for filing
the minutes from the April 11th, 2017 Regular Session and the April 25th, 2017 work
session. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#78/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Moore to accept the monthly Police Report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#79/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee Warner to accept for filing the monthly Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#80/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Warner seconded by Trustee O'Connell to accept for filing the monthly Court Report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

STREETS

DPW Supervisor informed the board that during the most recent wind storm we had the garage door openers were fried along with a couple of chargers in the garage and the furnace motor to a total of approximately \$3700.

Davie informed the board that the skid steer was done and can be picked up totaling \$5093.00.

WATER

SEWER

BUILDINGS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Rynearson stated that the Squad would be taken in for repairs next week – a motion was offered as follows:

MOTION#81/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee Smith to authorize the Fire Chief to take the Squad for repairs not to exceed \$7500 to Tri-City Springs. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Moore stated that the Fire Department had open house this weekend and they did an excellent job.

EMS

PD

PRESIDENT

After much discussion the following motion was offered:

MOTION#82/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee O'Connell to allow Neil McDonald and a team of 6 (six) supervising adults (three male and three female) to use the upstairs boardroom at Village Hall on a 2 (two) month trial basis beginning June 2, 2017 from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. to council youth as needed once a Hold Harmless agreement is signed. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#83/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee O'Connell to authorize the employment of two youths for DPW Delaware County Summer Youth Program. The motion carried unanimously.

Next, the Mayor explained that they had been to a WWTP meeting prior to this meeting in regards to the spiral screen. The Village obtained a grant to replace the spiral screw that broke in half a year ago. We are now at the point of submission to the regulatory agencies for approval. The design as submitted has to be retrofitted. It is not a fit as is. A concrete wall will need to be widened and there are no guarantees DEC and DRBC will approve. Therefore a decision must be made whether to move forward with the designed screen or replace it with the screw as we had before. Trustee Smith stated that he wanted to visit another plant and discuss the pros and cons of the screen. Smith also stated that by-pass pumps will need to be rented and a more accurate time frame is needed.

MOTION#84/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee O'Connell to authorize a one-time payment of \$375.00 to the Lumberjack Festival for garbage collection and portable bathrooms. The motion carried unanimously. The board asked that a letter accompany the check stating further funding requests should be made early each fiscal year so as to be budgeted or not.

TRUSTEES

Trustee O'Connell informed the board that the Decree Parties have been tasked to work together in the long term management (FFMP). The last five years has resulted in a stalemate that resulted in consecutive one year extensions of an unchanged plan. Since some are not prepared to vote on another one year extension there are two possible outcomes: a sixth straight one year extension of an unchanged plan or a reversion back to a 1980's reservoir management approach called "Revision1". Revision 1 would be a dangerous step backward for the river and trigger alarmingly low water releases. O'Connell asked that the residents email their Decree Principal Designees. Email addresses can be found at Village Hall.

FINANCE

MOTION#85/17-18

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

GENERAL FUND:	\$61,690.33
WATER FUND	\$17,465.45
SEWER FUND	\$41,098.11

The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#86/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Smith seconded by Trustee Moore approved the Events Application of the Memorial Day parade on May 29, 2017 beginning at 9 a.m. the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#87/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Warner seconded by Trustee Moore to authorize payment to Mrs. Mead of \$165.80 for her glasses and phone case as the result of a fall on the sidewalk by Deposit's Closet. The motion carried unanimously.

GUESTS

Josh Space asked the Village Board to look into the problem of rattlesnakes at the Head Start site off Columbia Lake Rd. He stated that recently there were two rattlesnakes at the Quickway and that he is concerned about where his daughter goes to school. The board informed him that this location was in the Town of Deposit.

John O'Connor informed the board that he had attended the most recent FUDR meeting and if he had not been there the Village would have lost the opportunity to apply again for the Consolidated Funding for the Oquaga Creek retaining wall project. Further O'Connor let the Village know that the next Stream Corridor Meeting was Thursday May 11, 2017 at the Deposit Theater – O'Connor encouraged all to attend.

Kermit Mott voiced his disappointment in the Village's engineers in that when he was on the board he thought the whole issue of the spiral screen was decided upon – he remembers options being given and a choice being made by the Village. He suggested the Village take along look at our choice of engineering firm.

MOTION#88/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee O'Connell to enter into executive session to discuss specific personnel and litigation. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#89/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee O'Connell to come out of executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#90/17-18

A motion was made by Trustee Moore seconded by Trustee O'Connell to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: