

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPOSIT BOARD
OF TRUSTEES HELD ON OCTOBER 14, 2003 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE MEADOW
PARK COMMUNITY ROOM

Present: President Hayes, Trustees Place, Edwards, Maasch, and Smith, Clerk Treasurer Hungerford, Deputy Clerk Treasurer Decker, Public Works Administrator Brad Hubbard, Code Enforcement Officer Barry Conklin, Officer in Charge Ladd Dawson, John O'Connor, Bertha Jensen, Mary Cable, Lucy Walker, Kendra Hansen, Peder Hansen, Eddie Joe Pavlov, Nora Snopek, Dan Strauss, Kevin McKee, Mike D'Agati, Sharon Wright, Alfie Mills, Jim Conklin, Deb Stever.

President Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the pledge of allegiance.

President Hayes expressed the village's gratitude to the fire department, emergency squad, fire police, assisting fire departments, auxiliary, police department, village crew, state police, County fire coordinators, Broome County communications, Vivian Leonard, Little Italy, NBT, Wendy's, Frank Zaczek, Schaefer's, the Red Cross, and the many others who assisted during the recent fire on Front Street.

John O'Connor spoke regarding the fire inspection letter he recently received. He indicated that he has no problem with the inspection, but objects strongly to the \$75 fee. He indicated that Walt Ottens is currently conducting these inspections for the Town of Sanford, at no charge. He also indicated that he believes these inspections are not required annually. He indicated also that Village Law allows the fire department to conduct these inspections and that there are numerous members of the fire department who are more than qualified to do so. Mr. O'Connor spoke about the other inspections he is required to have during the year and the cost associated with these.

Bertha Jensen indicated that she agreed with Mr. O'Connor and the inspections could be done by the code officer or fire chief, and that there should be no charge. Ms. Jensen also indicated that she believed the cable franchise fee should also be assessed on satellite companies, and also indicated some areas in the village that she believed the code enforcement officer should be looking into.

Nora Snopek inquired about sidewalks and the Elm Street Project. President Hayes indicated that we expect Elm St. construction next year.

Sharon Wright inquired how much of Elm Street was to be repaired as part of the grant. President Hayes responded that it would cover from Front St. through Wheeler St.

Kevin McKee indicated that he is glad the village is trying to pursue and enforce code requirements. He indicated that he believed the village should also be looking into requiring contractors to be licensed. He questioned whether the \$75 fire inspection fee was the best first step; there are other ways to bring in funds.

Peder Hansen inquired what methodology was used to respond to concerns raised by citizens at these meetings. President Hayes indicated that generally action is taken by the individual responsible for the particular area of concern (board member, Brad, Ladd, front office, etc.)

Mr. Hansen also inquired if the board reviewed the RFP for engineering services to address the consent order before it was issued, and if the RFP was available for public review. President Hayes indicated that the mayor, attorney, and front office had reviewed the RFP, and yes it is available to be reviewed. Mr. Hansen inquired if that RFP asked engineers to address both the immediate needs of the sewer plant as indicated by the consent order, but also long term needs at the sewer plant. President Hayes indicated that both were addressed, the RFP addresses the consent order and thereby addresses the long term needs.

Mary Cable expressed concern about people parking on new sidewalks.

Lucy Walker expressed concern that her home at 6 Orchard Street was no listed on the fire map.

MOTION #307/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to approve the Emergency Squad report for the month of September. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #308/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of September. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #309/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Place, seconded by Trustee Smith to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of 9/9/03, 9/11/03, and 9/23/03. Motion unanimously carried.

Brad Hubbard, Public Works Administrator, indicated that they had finished with sidewalks for the year. The sidewalks remaining on the list will have to wait until next year. Mr. Hubbard also reported that the crew is beginning brush and leaf pickup. The repairs at well house #4 are complete and it is up and running. Pump Services is helping to complete the repairs at the Main St. sewer pump station.

Barry Conklin, Code Enforcement Officer, recommends that due to neighbor objections and overriding legal concerns that the village let the homeowner demolish 49 Court St. and have it hauled away, rather than having the fire department burn it.

MOTION #310/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Place to authorize President Hayes to sign to lease agreement to store the fire trucks at the Old Indian Country Garage. Motion unanimously carried.

Repairs and upgrades will be made to the furnace and garage doors as part of the lease agreement.

Clerk Treasurer Hungerford presented quotes for heating oil delivery for the fire truck storage.

MOTION #311/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded Trustee Maasch to authorize the fire department to use Mohawk Oil to have the heating oil delivered to the Old Indian Country Garage. Motion unanimously carried.

Trustee Place noted the good turnout for the Octoberfest and thanked all involved.

Clerk Treasurer Hungerford reported that one bid was received for the Cub Cadet lawn mower. Fred Wist submitted a bid of \$150.00

MOTION #312/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to sell the Cub Cadet lawn tractor to Fred Wist for \$150. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Hubbard reported that he attended a FEMA meeting for the August 14th brown out and he and C/T Hungerford will be working together to submit reimbursement for our costs.

He also extended congratulations to Mike D'Agati who has passed the second phase for his sewer license.

C/T Hungerford indicated that she is going to be meeting with Susan Payne regarding our Small Cities Grant and the process for beginning RFP's and bidding for engineering and construction. Also, the administration of the grant will also be discussed. We would like to involve Susan to ensure that all program requirements are followed to ensure maximum reimbursement.

Trustee Smith reported that the fire department has no place to wash their turnout gear and requested that the washer be installed in the village garage. It would require simple piping and a larger hot water heater.

MOTION #313/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Place to authorize the village crew to install a larger hot water heater and washer at the village garage. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #314/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Edwards to approve general contractor change orders #5-8 for the fire hall project, as approved by the oversight committee and engineer. Motion unanimously carried.

Officer in Charge Dawson presented the September report to the board and also reported that a digital camera had been donated to the department.

MOTION #315/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to approve to police department report for September 2003. Motion unanimously carried.

President Hayes indicated that several citizens and the emergency squad have expressed concern regarding the parking on Church St. The village removed a "no parking" sign that was not placed by the village, this area is now creating a parking hazard. President Hayes asked that the board consider a local law permitting parking on only one side of Church St. from Second St. to Fourth St.

MOTION #316/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Maasch, seconded by Trustee Place to forward the issue of Church St. parking to the planning board. Motion unanimously carried.

C/T Hungerford inquired which board members were interested in the teleconference to be held on October 22, 2003. All trustees indicated that they would like to attend.

C/T Hungerford indicated that the village had received a letter requesting village support (public works and police department) for the Christmas parade.

MOTION #317/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Place to approve village support for the Christmas parade as requested. Motion unanimously carried.

C/T Hungerford indicated that the owner of tax map no. 349.17-8-6 has requested that the interest and penalties on the 2003 taxes be removed, as the original bill was never received due to an address error.

MOTION #318/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Maasch, seconded by Trustee Edwards to remove interest and penalties for tax map no. 349.17-8-6. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #319/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Place to schedule a public hearing on the Adams Cable franchise fee for Tuesday November 25th at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #320/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Place to schedule a public hearing on Section 8 Housing for Tuesday December 9 at 10:00 a.m. at the village hall. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #321/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to approve President Hayes to sign the necessary Small Cities grant agreement documents. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #322/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Place, seconded by Trustee Maasch to authorize Attorney Schaewe to write a letter to the owner of tax map number 187.19-4-26 indicating that the charges incurred by the village for taking down the structure during the early 2003 fire are payable to the village, or will be relieved on the taxes. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #323/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Edwards to approve the fire department (\$98,075) and emergency squad (\$61,550) budgets for 2004-2005 as approved by the oversight committee. Motion unanimously carried. (See attached for complete budget)

The board agreed to schedule a special meeting to begin discussion of the 2004-2005 water and sewer budgets for Friday October 24, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Mary Cable reported that 3 vans of senior's went to Broome Co. to discuss the need for a senior center in the village.

MOTION #324/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Maasch, seconded by Trustee Smith to enter into and out of executive session. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #325/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Maasch, seconded by Trustee Place to hire Melvin Reed as a full time laborer at minimum wage. He will currently accept the payment in lieu of health insurance. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #326/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Smith to keep part time laborer Fred Spencer on through the leaf and brush pick up. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #327/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to approve Scott Conklin and John Romanofski to attend a one day training class on 11/4/03 in Oneonta on Pump and Hydraulic safety. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #328/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to set the Town of Deposit water district rate at 1.5 times the village rate as set each year. The debt reduction charge will be \$750.00 per quarter, up to 15 units in the district. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #329/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Maasch to approve payment of the vouchers, with the exception of the historical society voucher #9660, and President Hayes signature on the abstracts. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION #330/03-04

Motion made by Trustee Maasch, seconded by Trustee Place that the village board does not authorize the burning of the structure at 49 Court St. due to neighbor and overriding legal concerns. Motion unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

MEG HUNGERFORD, CLERK TREASURER

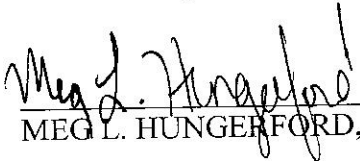
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPOSIT BOARD
OF TRUSTEES HELD ON OCTOBER 24, 2003 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE VILLAGE
HALL

Present: President Hayes, Trustees Place, Edwards, Maasch, and Smith, Clerk Treasurer
Hungerford, Deputy Clerk Treasurer Decker, Public Works Administrator Brad Hubbard,
Peder Hansen

President Hayes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The board briefly discussed the recycling program currently offered jointly by the village
and the two towns, and the potential increase in the cost of this program. It was suggested
that a meeting between the parties involved be scheduled to discuss the cost increase.

The board reviewed the preliminary 2004-2005 water and sewer fund budgets and made
several changes.


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