

THE REGULAR WORK SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 27, 2007 AT 7:16 P.M. AT DEPOSIT COMMUNITY  
THEATRE.

PRESENT: President Smith, Trustees O'Connor, Axtell-Whiting, C/T Decker,  
DCT Leonard, PWA Hubbard, Debbie Stever, CEO Barry Conklin, Terry Whiting,  
Jim Conklin, Dee Solliceto, Steve Herz-Broome County Legislature, Bruce  
Cameron

ABSENT: Trustee Lisa Weis, David Nolan

Mayor Smith voting.

President Smith opened the meeting at 7:16 PM, and turned the floor over to Mr. Herz.

Mr. Herz stated that he had attended the Community Center meeting and stated he was "absolutely blown away-it was terrific!" Mr. Herz stated that he had received a list of our concerns and priority issues, from Dee Solliceto. Mr. Herz stated that he has already spoken to Mr. Weissman about the drain issue on Second Street. Mr. Weissman assured Mr. Herz that this was on the top of his list of things to do.

The recycling issue was raised by the Mayor. Mayor Smith explained that the county used to fund this, but now they have passed the cost on to the municipalities. Mr. Herz asked "So what you would like for me to do is to have the County continue to fund this?" Mayor Smith stated yes, and Mr. Herz said he would see what he could do.

The last issue to be brought up was the Villages concerns of Cannonsville Reservoir and its impact on this Village. Trustee O'Connor stated that Broome County was in the river basin, so therefore Mr. Herz ' voice would carry weight. Trustee O'Connor offered to give Mr. Herz contact names and numbers.

Mr. Herz told the board that he had brought out prospective IDA applicants to view a site in Deposit. Mr. Herz is a member of the Broome County IDA, and he wants the board to know that he is working for us.

Mr. Herz stated that he is attending the State of the County meeting tomorrow and that he would relate our concerns to those who were in attendance.

CEO Conklin submitted his report to the board. Barry informed the board of some new codes, i.e.: now you cannot have any unregistered vehicles on your property, carbon monoxide detectors are now required in rentals and landlords are required to keep the heat at 65 degrees.

Mr. Conklin went over his snow removal citation procedure, as there were some residents that did not understand it. Barry asked the board if they were comfortable with it and if not to please instruct him.

Mr. Conklin stated that he had a few complaints about river construction. Mr. Conklin stated this did not fall under his jurisdiction, but rather felt that it was the DEC's'.

Barry also asked the board about the subdivision law and where it stood. CT Decker stated that Dawn Mauro had given it to Shelly Johnson. It is believed that because we haven't signed the contract with the DEC, the law is sitting on Shelly's desk. Mr. Conklin sated that we need to get it back and have the Village Attorney look it over.

Mr. Conklin discussed 31 Pine Street with the board. He stated that a letter has been sent to the owner, in regards to unsafe buildings law. They have 30 days in which to respond, so we can revisit this at the next work session.

MOTION #625/07-08

Motion was made by Trustee Axtell-Whiting and seconded by Trustee O'Connor to accept the CEO's report. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD

STREETS

PWA Hubbard informed the board where we stand with regards to FEMA and insurance money for equipment. Brad stated that some of the big ticket items we still need to purchase are a 1 ton truck and a street sweeper. Mr. Hubbard stated that we have the blue book back for \$19,000 for the truck. He also had two quotes, one from Elgin and the other from Schwartz, for the street sweeper. Mr. Hubbard will have these quotes for the next meeting.

Mr. Hubbard gave a long list of things yet to be bought. Mr. Hubbard stated that if we get audited by FEMA, we have to have them. Brad stated that he has had lengthy conversations with Trustee Nolan, in regards to the purchase of a skid steer/large snow blower. Mr. Hubbard stated that Trustee Nolan thought that this would be useful at the sewer plant and for the removal of snow. Brad stated that he and Dale went to look at one. Trustee O'Connor stated that he had a different list of priorities. The street sweeper was a need. Mr. O'Connor thought that since the snow removal season was just about over, we have time to look for a bigger bucket to move snow faster with the backhoe. Also, we have people that already know how to run the backhoe. Next, Trustee O'Connor stated he felt we needed to get the 1 ton replacement, and get the 550 back in service. Trustee O'Connor questioned how practical the snow blower was, would it really cut through hardened snow banks? Would it speed up the process? Mayor Smith asked Mr. Hubbard how he felt. Mr. Hubbard stated that he had the same concerns. Trustee O'Connor stated that Mr. Hubbard should get quotes on a larger bucket, in time for the next meeting. Mayor Smith stated that Trustee O'Connor and Mr. Hubbard were highway and the decision was up to them.

MOTION #626/07-08

Mr. Hubbard stated that he was working with Ed Couse from Traveler's Insurance, in regards to the F550 that was damaged under the bridge. Mr. Hubbard stated that Binghamton Truck and Supply would be doing all the hydraulic hoses and pumps. He also stated when the truck hit the railroad trestle; the frame was bent 3 inches. Mr. Hubbard stated that the frame could be straightened. Insurance adjusters have been in contact with the mechanic, to beef up the frame. A motion was made by Trustee O'Connor to allow Binghamton Truck & Supply to tow the truck, seconded by Trustee Axtell-Whiting. Motion passed unanimously. These repairs will be covered by insurance after \$1,000 deductible.

MOTION #627/07-08

Mr. Hubbard and Clerk Treasurer Decker gave the board an update on the fuel pumps. CT Decker stated that Dave Miles the FEMA rep found us a company, Innovative Petroleum, that could replace our current pumps and tanks for \$27,789, allowing us money left over to have the old tanks removed, and pour a concrete pad. We have the signed bluebook from FEMA. The new pumps will not have a canopy over it, because it is not required by the state. Mayor Smith asked about disposal of the old tanks. Mr. Hubbard stated that he would check into that, but stated that FEMA did not cover disposal in the PW. It was mentioned that maybe the county would take the old tanks. Motion was made by Trustee O'Connor and seconded by Trustee Axtell-Whiting to go ahead with the project, pending the decision on disposal of the old tanks.

## WATER

### MOTION #628/07-08

At the last meeting it was reported that we thought we had a water main break, as the well houses are pumping more water than normal. Mr. Hubbard called NY Leak detection today. Mr. Hubbard stated that Lippincott Place ran out of water today. Mr. Hubbard that he would like to get them in as soon as possible to find the leak. Brad stated that this would be on an hourly basis. Motion was made by Trustee Axtell-Whiting and seconded by Trustee O'Connor to get NY Leak detector here.

## SEWER

Mr. Hubbard stated that Wayne Raymond now has all his certificates and will be taking his ABC exam tomorrow morning.

Mr. Hubbard spoke about the meeting with Bruce Munn, and the possibility of using dumpsters at the sewer plant. Mr. Hubbard has already spoken with Ed Katen. Mr. Katen stated that if we got 1 or 2 dumpsters, that he would charge \$130-\$150 per trip to the landfill.

## BUILDINGS

PWA Hubbard stated that the Clerk's office has been coming right along; unfortunately it has been put on hold, to clean up after the storm.

## FD

## EMS

## TRUSTEES

## FINANCE

### MOTION #629/07-08

Motion was made by Trustee Axtell-Whiting and seconded by Trustee O'Connor to rescind motion 596 on benefit hours. Motion passed unanimously.

### MOTION #630/07-08

Motion was made by Trustee Axtell-Whiting and seconded by Trustee O'Connor to give leave time as of the first of January and to pro rate new hires leave time. Motion passed unanimously.

## NEW

## STREETS

PWA Hubbard thanked Trustees Axtell-Whiting and Weiss for their service.

## STREETS

Mr. Hubbard informed the board of his meeting with Bruce Munn tonight. Some of the issues were the use of the existing belt filter press vs. getting something bigger and better to include future growth of the sewer plant, and what FEMA would and would not pay for. They discussed getting a larger one, because FEMA would help pay for it. Mr. Munn wants to change the wording of the specs to get a better belt press. Scott wanted to keep the existing drying beds, but that will not be possible as the elevation needs to be raised 5 or 6 feet. They are going to try to put in a concrete pad with a roof, so that if something happens we would have extra storage space. Also, discussed were repairs in the control

building. FEMA will pay for repairs to the existing generator. Mr. Hubbard has the parts on the way. FEMA will not fund a new generator, because it has to be raised 6 feet.

The computer SCATA workstation will be upgraded. There will be 2 computers, one for the plant and one in Scott's office.

FEMA will pay for the access road, but not the paving of it.

Mayor Smith stated that we needed to get into the spring pool for EFC money. The start date for construction is still October 1, 2007. Mayor Smith stated we would ask the DEC for an extension.

#### FD

Trustee O'Connor stated that 22-4 has never had its battery replaced and it is becoming a problem. Trustee O'Connor also stated that the platform truck is out of service, therefore, the training on its use has been temporarily suspended.

#### EMS

#### PRESIDENT

##### MOTION #631/07-08

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to authorize his signature on Hazardous Mitigation 404, for 1 River Street and the Waste Water Treatment Plant. See attached. Motion was made by Trustee O'Connor and seconded by Trustee Axtell-Whiting. Motion passed unanimously.

#### FINANCE

CT Decker explained to the board about the reduction of taxes for persons with disabilities. The board instructed CT Decker to discuss this with Beth and other municipalities and see if she could get more information.

CT Decker presented the board with the Scott Township fire contract. It was suggested that the board go over the contract and that it should be revisited at a later date.

##### MOTION #632/07-08

CT Decker asked for a motion to approve budget transfers. Motion was made by Trustee O'Connor and seconded by Trustee Axtell-Whiting. Motion passed unanimously.

##### MOTION #633/07-08

Motion was made to authorize the Mayor's signature on the vouchers, by Trustee O'Connor and seconded by Trustee Axtell-Whiting. Motion passed unanimously.

##### MOTION #634/07-08

Motion was made to enter into Executive Session by Trustee Axtell-Whiting and seconded by Trustee O'Connor. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,