

THE REGULAR WORK SESSION OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPOSIT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT THE MEADOWPARK APARTMENTS COMMUNITY CENTER WAS HELD ON MARCH 22, 2005 AT 7:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Smith, Trustees Edwards, O'Connor, Nolan and Axtell, Clerk Treasurer Decker, Karen Leonard, PWA Hubbard, CEO Conklin, Bruce Munn of Stearns and Wheler, Terry Whiting, Jim Conklin, Sharon Wright, Susan Payne, Mike D'Agati and Deb Stever.

President Smith opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Public Hearing opened at 7:00 PM

MOTION #33-05/-06

**Village of Deposit, New York
Board of Trustees Resolution**

**Authorization to Submit Grant Application
To the Governor's Office for Small Cities
Community Development Block Grant Program
Small Cities Program 2005 Competitive Round**

March 22, 2005

Whereas, the Village of Deposit is eligible to seek funding under the New York State Community Development Block Grant Small Cities Program; and

Whereas, the Village Board of Trustees has conducted two public hearings for purposes of involving its citizens in the process of understanding and considering possible projects for funding, especially those projects and activities benefiting low and moderate-income persons; and,

Whereas, the Village Board invited the citizens of the Village of Deposit to comment on the overall needs and priorities of the community, and received citizen ideas and input regarding possible projects; and,

Whereas, a public hearing was held on March 22, 2005 to discuss a proposed project involving the upgrade of the Village's wastewater treatment facility;

Therefore, The Village of Deposit Board of Trustees authorizes the submission of a grant application in the amount of \$400,000 for funding in the Public Facilities Category under the New York State Community Development Block Grant Small Cities Program 2005 Competitive Round for the Wastewater Treatment Upgrade Project. Further, the Village Board authorizes Mayor Willis Smith to sign all appropriate application materials.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Smith - Aye

Trustee Axtell - Aye

Trustee Nolan - Aye

Trustee O'Connor - Aye

Trustee Edwards - Aye

Public hearing closed at 7:07 PM.

MOTION #34-05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the March 8th Regular and Organizational meeting. Motion made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee O'Connor. Motion passed.

MOTION #35-05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8th regular session and the reorganization meeting. Trustee Edwards made the motion, Trustee Axtell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #36-05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to approve the code enforcement officer's report. Trustee Edwards made the motion, Trustee O'Connor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

CEO Conklin asked the board about fees for safety inspections. It was decided that before he could start the board would have to decide. Mayor Smith asked CT Decker to get the minutes from last year so that the board could review. After they were reviewed the board would get back to CEO Conklin.

OLD BUSINESS

STREETS

PWA Hubbard gave the board an update on the Elm Street project. The concrete rings have been installed on the manholes, and are working fine. Wheelers are ready to go, with driveway approaches, with a tentative date of May 16th for paving the street.

PWA Hubbard spoke to the board about municipal clean up day. In the past we have participated along with the other municipalities. PWA Hubbard would like to set the date for August 20th. PWA Hubbard has priced the dumpsters at \$225 with Bert Adams. The Village requires one 40 yard dumpster for tires and white goods.

MOTION #37-05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to have the joint municipal clean up day on August 20th, 2005. Motion was made by Trustee O'Connor, and Trustee Nolan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #38-05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to purchase one container from Bert Adams. Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, seconded by Trustee Edwards. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #39-05/06

Mr. Hubbard asked for a motion to hold the annual PESH safety seminar on April 19th at 9 AM, at the Village Hall. Mayor Smith asked for a motion, Trustee Nolan made the motion, Trustee Edwards, seconded. Motion carried. The cost will be \$30.00 per person for six DPW employees.

PRESIDENT

MOTION #40-05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to accept Stacey Axtell's resignation from the zoning board. Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, Trustee Edwards seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Smith stated that Bruce Munn wanted to address the board on the Stearns & Wheler changes to the sewer repair under Oquaga Creek. With having to send it out to bid and designing it is going to cost \$29,200. This includes a full time inspector and additional design detail for the DEC. It was requested that the contract be changed to include engineering services as required.

Mr. Munn stated that there would be monthly meetings when the WWTP project got underway. Trustee Nolan stated that he would like to see a chart to measure the progress. Mr. Munn stated that it usually falls to the contractor to do this, as this is standard operating procedure. Mr. Hubbard asked about contracting with DeVincentes. Mr. Munn stated that although we may have a contract with DeVincentes now we would have to recontract with them.

Mr. Munn stated that the final application for the \$500,000 loan from USDA pre eligibility determination was in the final phase.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESIDENT

Mayor Smith asked about the progress of the grant for the court. Ms. Payne stated that she was ready to submit the paper work for the Justice Court Assistance 2005 grant for

the court. She was just waiting for clarification on the wording “major construction”, before she would submit the application.

WATER/SEWER

Ms. Payne updated the board on the progress of EFC application. Bruce Munn is assessing this. With regards to the final USDA grant of \$500,000, the PED’s, formal application and environmental assessment will be completed on or before the April 25th deadline, so that they may be submitted by the end of May.

The early stages of the ARC for \$150,000 will go out June 10, 2005.

Ms. Payne stated that the \$250,000 from Congressman Hinchey would not be issued until Congress authorizes it, which should be available in the fall. The BAN money can be refinanced.

Ms. Payne told the board that the RFP’s for the \$25,000 Technical Assistance grant were due on April 22, 2005. It was mentioned that the board should appoint an oversight committee to report directly to the board. This grant is for planning and architecture.

1. Marketing
2. Physical improvement
3. Retail mix
4. Organization, structure

The board discussed the Elm Street parking problem. Mayor Smith suggested that this be sent back to the planning board for a final decision.

FINANCE

MOTION #41 05/06

CT Decker asked for a motion to send Judge Owens and Court Clerk Fricker to the Summary Proceedings class to be held on June 15th at \$15.00 each. Trustee Edwards made the motion, Trustee O’Connor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #42 05/06

CT Decker asked for a motion to let the county proceed with our tax foreclosures (see attached). Trustee O’Connor made the motion, Trustee Edwards seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #43 05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to accept the resignation of Susan Payne effective April 26, 2005. Motion was made by Trustee O’Connor and seconded by Trustee Edwards. Motion passed. Ms. Payne suggested that the board contact Julie Sweet as her possible replacement.

MOTION #44 05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to allow the purchase of an updated ADP version that would make payroll more efficient, for the price of \$500. Trustee Axle made the motion, and Trustee Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

CT Decker stated that she had a request from water sewer account #582, to waive the penalties on their bill. This bill wasn’t taken care of closing, when the house was sold. The board decided that they would not take action.

MOTION #45 05/06

President Smith asked for a motion to move into and out of Executive Session. Trustee Nolan made the motion, Trustee O’Connor seconded. The board moved into Executive session at 8:30 PM.

MOTION #46 05/06

Trustee Edwards made a motion for John Romanofski and Robert Rynearson to receive a .80 cent raise, effectively immediately. Trustee O’Connor second. Motion passed.

MOTION #47 05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to set Clerk Treasurer Decker's salary at \$40,000 annually. Motion was made by Trustee Nolan and seconded by Trustee Edwards.

MOTION #48 05/06

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to hire Ashley Thomas as the new Pool Director and also as the Head Lifeguard. The salary will be \$291.67 per month for the director's position and \$7.25 per hour for Head lifeguard, not to exceed the 20 hours. Motion was made by Trustee Edwards and seconded by Trustee O'Connor. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.