

Regular Board Meeting

December 1, 2008

7:00p.m.

Present - Mayor Donna Kelley, Trustees Bonnie Howell,  
Philip Gillemot, Phil Joe Smith, Sharon Wiedemer.

Absent -

Also present - Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Casselberry,  
David Austin of the Watkins Review.

Mayor Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Mayor Kelley called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of November 17<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting were presented.

Trustee Howell offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Wiedemer to approve the minutes of the November 17 regular board meeting as presented. AYES: Trustee Howell, Trustee Smith, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Representatives of the Finger Lakes Running Company were present to make the Village Board aware of the half marathon scheduled for August of 2009 on the Catharine Valley Trail. They are anticipating 50-100 participants and will start in Watkins Glen continue south, pass the Genesee Street trailhead to a designated point. Board spoke in support of the event and recommended they work with the Montour Falls Fire Department to coordinate medical coverage.

Jim Ryan and Tom Carson of the Montour Falls Fire Department were present to speak to the board about concerns for the water system/hydrants and lack of water during a recent house fire. Fire Chief Jim Ryan requested the hydrant system be reviewed and a plan is developed to identify which hydrants are working, make repairs to non-working hydrants, flow test each hydrant and color code the hydrant to correlate with NFPA standards for flow/size/pressure. Fire Chief indicated he has concerns for both volume and pressure. Mayor will meet with the Highway Supt. about hydrant checks and flows.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to authorize a credit based on an average sewer billing for account B391, Robin Woodard due to a water leak under the house at 311 East South Street. AYES: Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Board members reviewed the NYS Department of Health report on the water system inspection of November 20, 2008. Within the comments is a requirement for engineered designs for a modification to the chlorine contact time at the well site (primarily for the water supply to Appel's mobile home) by March 2009 and implementation by November 2009. Comment was also made relative to the percentage of unaccounted for water loss.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to contact Larson Design Group to obtain an estimate for designing modifications for chlorine contact time. AYES: Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Mayor Kelley reported she is working with County Planner, Emergency Management and Soil & Water Conservation to develop a draft wellhead protection local law.

Mayor Kelley reported Rural Water Association's circuit rider was unable to locate any water leaks in the system and believes the loss may be attributed to meter failure. A meter replacement program along with visits to larger users may assist to identify water loss. Board approved of NY Rural Water's assistance to the village with a meter replacement program.

Board discussed the countywide water district. Board members were unclear whether a district operator would oversee the village's existing water well system. Mayor will seek to clarify.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to declare the following equipment as surplus, no longer serves a purpose for the Village and authorize sale of:

1994 Ford Single Axle Dump Truck  
with 11' plow  
Vin # 1FDYK90LRVA16929 min bid \$2500.00

1997 Ford F350XL One Ton Dump Truck  
with 8' plow  
VIN # 1FDKF38GXVEB00221 min bid \$1500.00

1995 Chevy 2500 4x2 ¾ ton pickup  
VIN 1GBGC24K9SE277169 min bid \$1000.00

Welder Linde 220 Type CE400  
Portable welder-Lincoln  
Flat tamp-Wisconsin Robin  
Jump Jack-Stone  
Simplicity Lawn Garden Tractor with mower deck min bid \$ 800.00  
One way plow

AYES: Trustee Howell, Trustee Smith, Trustee Wiedemer, Trustee Gillemot.  
NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to purchase from the Schuyler County Highway Department auction a 2002 Chevy 3500 stake body truck for \$12,500.00 and a 1999 Chevy 3500 utility box truck for \$4500.00. AYES: Trustee Howell, Trustee Smith, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to select NYSEG solutions as the electricity supply provider. AYES: Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell authorizing payment be made for any contract(s) and/or utilities Between December 1 and the next meeting January 5, 2009. AYES: Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. Resolution carried.

Mayor Kelley spoke with the board about the budget and the need to implement restraints in view of the present and impending economic conditions. Board was in full agreement to implement a freeze on unnecessary spending.

Mayor Kelley advised the board village employees Lance Alstine and Harold Mattison have volunteered for the second shift during winter hours. This shift will be delayed in view of the amount of work to be performed during the day hours.

Code Enforcement Report has been received for the month of October, 2008.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to amend the contract with Arrowhead Disposal and resolved to reimburse Arrowhead Disposal for recycling dumping fees at \$25.00/ton instituted by the Chemung County Solid Waste District. AYES: Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Gillemot advised the board, the library is prepared to meet with the Village Board of Trustees on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 7:00p.m. at the Village Hall to further negotiate the library building transfer.

Trustee Smith inquired about repair to blacktop between sidewalk and curb by utility company who was working in that area. He also noted there is a drop off at the drain in front of his property.

Trustee Smith suggested that the Village request the Joint Sanitary Landfill Commission hire on behalf of the Village, MRB Group's Jimmy Jo Carl to review the leachate from the landfill and the implications of discharging at the WWTP. Board was in full agreement to this suggestion to protect the Village WWTP.

Mayor Kelley requested the website address be listed on village letterhead and water bills for residents.

Mayor Kelley reported a meeting took place between Hunt Engineers and representatives of the Frandsen's Raymond Street Family Housing. Sewer plans were reviewed and final designs are forthcoming.

Trustee Gillemot offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell to authorize a refund of \$85.00 to John Mayo for winter camper storage. AYES: Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Howell authorizing payment of bills on General Abstract \$38,719.35, Water Abstract \$5,530.38, Sewer Abstract \$5,298.08, Capital Projects Marina Improvement \$1312.32 AYES: Trustee Smith, Trustee Howell, Trustee Gillemot, Trustee Wiedemer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Casselberry, Clerk-Treasurer

