

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS HELD AT VILLAGE HALL ON NOVEMBER 16, 2006, AT 7:30 P.M.

Present – Mayor O’Hara, Trustees Presley, Stebbins, Mott, Tupper, A. Saraceni, and J. Saraceni.

Also Present – J.C. Engelbrecht, Attorney for the Village; Sergeant Tom LeRoy, Police Officer; Mace Markham, Highway Foreman; Tom Leo from the Syracuse Post Standard; Mr. Charles Elliott, a representative of the Public Access Channel; Peter Crissey from the Crissey Architectural Group; Claire Merrick, and Karen Mayo.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion #270 –

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the minutes of the meeting held November 2, 2006, be approved and the Deputy Village Clerk dispense with the reading of said minutes.

CARRIED.

Citizen’s Comments.

No Comments.

Mayor’s Comments.

No Comments.

Trustees’ Comments.

Trustee B. Stebbins would like to add to the agenda an Executive Session to discuss a contract issue.
Trustee A. Saraceni would like to add to the agenda an Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations.

Department Heads.

Attorney J. C. Engelbrecht requested that an Executive Session to discuss litigation, be added to the agenda.

DPW foreman Mace Markham stated that R.E. Woodson is in the process of erecting the playground at Mercer Park. Markham also noted that the Christmas tree has been erected and will be decorated on Friday, November 17. He reminded those present of the tree lighting ceremony that is to be held on Saturday, November 25, at 5 p.m.

Sergeant Tom LeRoy expressed Police Chief Dan Warner’s regret for not being in attendance. Chief Warner was attending a Baldwinsville school district seminar called “Drug Trends – What Parents Don’t Know About Drugs... Should Know”.

Sergeant LeRoy advised the board of a recent \$2,500.00 grant that the Police department received from Constellation Energy through the office of Tim O’Connor, VP of Nine Mile Point. The grant money will purchase an AED, a portable defibrillator for a second patrol car and also a new bicycle for patrolling the trails.

Discussion by Peter Crissey from Crissey Architecture of Syracuse regarding a class study by SU students for plans for the former Harrington Fire Station site.

Peter Crissey, an architect who teaches at the Syracuse University School of Interior Design, proposed that his class of 24 students each prepare a design for the Harrington Fire Station site at no cost to the village. He spoke and presented photos of previous projects that his classes had designed. The board agreed to this proposal.

The Mayor asked the trustees to submit their ideas for the Fire Station site to the Village Clerk by Friday and she will in turn send them on to Mr. Crissey. The Mayor suggested that the board meet with the students at the site during the first week in December since the project will begin in the January semester.

A citizen in the audience asked the board for more information regarding the future of the Harrington Fire Station site. She was made aware of this ongoing discussion.

Pending Business.

Discussion in regards to Village Owned Facilities/Business District Study.

Trustee J. Saraceni stated that he came across a study dated April 21, 2003 regarding Canal Square and he would like the other trustees to review it. It contains a lot of the same ideas that they have discussed for the site. He also reviewed some past recommendations from the Onondaga Planning Board where they mentioned their concerns about traffic in the downtown corridor. Saraceni feels that everything is coming together and that the village is moving in the right direction.

Discussion in regards to updating the Village Code.

Trustee Mott stated that he is nearly completed with the task of updating the Village Code. All recommendations have been compiled in order from each of the boards and are ready to review. The final draft of "Phase 1" will be ready by the end of next week.

Discussion/Action regarding the hours of operation, music, alcoholic beverages and fireworks, as they relate to Paper Mill Island.

Mayor O'Hara confirmed that everyone had reviewed the October 30th revisions to the Paper Mill Island contract and asked for any comments.

Trustee Presley thanked Linda Ross for her help in putting the contract together.

Mike Chemotti, from MSK Corporation, asked for more details on the revisions to the Paper Mill contract. He was given a copy of the new contract after hearing a more detailed explanation.

Motion #271 -

Moved by Trustee A. Saraceni seconded by Trustee Stebbins to approve the revised Paper Mill Island contract dated October 30, 2006.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action regarding the South Shore East Trail.

Mayor O'Hara noted that he received a QPK letter today regarding their proposal for the South Shore East Trail. He will review it and give an update at the next meeting.

Trustee Stebbins noted that SHPO ruled that the stone arch has no historic value. They like the concept of building a bridge over it. He also mentioned that the property is owned by National Grid and an arrangement needs to be made with them for an easement.

Mayor O'Hara will contact the appropriate individual at National Grid to discuss an easement. He asked Mace Markham to give him the exact location on the map.

Discussion concerning the Village's infrastructure.

The Mayor stated that Plumley Engineering had been authorized to do a drainage basin study and a study of the inflow and infiltration issues impacting the sewer lines in the village. The last study was done in the time frame of 1973 through 1974. DPW superintendent Claude Sykes had just completed a fine job of assessing what issues in the 70's report had been corrected and what changes have been made as a result of that. This will aid Plumley in moving forward with this study. These issues have a significant impact on the village and will take up to 10 years to correct. The village needs to give their utmost consideration to this issue.

The DEC needs to know that the village has a valid plan and that this plan will be done in a reasonable time frame.

The Mayor spoke of a meeting that was held with CSX. CSX is addressing maintenance issues that have surfaced and has opened lines of communication with the village and town.

A discussion ensued about identifying issues within the village's boundaries. The village needs to correct any issues that have an impact on the village. After our corrections are done, a letter should be sent to the town supervisor to make the town aware of any issues that have an impact on the village that should be taken care of.

Discussion/Action regarding the proposed Local Law for the water and sewer tap fees.

Attorney JC Engelbrecht noted that a paragraph had been left out of the proposed local law. It has been added and the local law is in final form. It now needs to sit for the required 10 days and be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

New Business.

Discussion/Action concerning giving authorization to the Engineer to proceed with the design of the River Street Community Development Project.

Motion #272 -

Moved by Trustee A. Saraceni seconded by Trustee Tupper that authorization is given to the Engineer to proceed with the design of the River Street Community Development Project.

CARRIED.

Discussion concerning the Village's property on Lock Street.

Mayor O'Hara asked the Board to put their ideas regarding the property on Lock Street on paper. Everyone has different thoughts and they should be reviewed in order to move forward with this issue.

Discussion/Action regards to giving the Mayor authorization to sign the Mylar title sheet and the BSP-5 form that will constitute consent by the Village to take ownership and maintenance of the proposed sanitary sewer system for the Aspens Springs Development.

Motion #273 -

Moved by Trustee Stebbins seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni to give the Mayor authorization to sign the Mylar title sheet and the BSP-5 form that will constitute consent by the Village to take ownership and maintenance of the proposed sanitary sewer system for the Aspens Springs Development.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action regarding a request from the Celebrate Baldwinsville Committee for a waiver of fees for their event being held on September 14 and September 15, 2007 on Paper Mill Island, Mercer Park, the South Shore West Trail and the Sergei Yevich Trail. They are requesting to reserve Paper Mill Island from Wednesday, September 12 through Monday, September 17, 2007.

Mace Markham, President of the Celebrate Baldwinsville Committee, expressed appreciation to the board and to the village for their help and participation.

A discussion ensued regarding the use of the Sergei Yevich Trail and whether it can be reserved. It was decided that the use of the Sergei Yevich Trail would be determined on a case by case basis.

Motion #274 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Tupper to approve a request from the Celebrate Baldwinsville Committee for a waiver of fees for their event being held on September 14 and September 15, 2007 on Paper Mill Island, Mercer

Park, the South Shore West Trail and the Sergei Yevich Trail. They are requesting to reserve Paper Mill Island from Wednesday, September 12 through Monday, September 17, 2007.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action concerning a request received from Mike Chemotti, MSK Corp., to refund the fee for the cancelled September 2, 2006 event on Paper Mill Island due to inclement weather.

Motion #275 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the request from Mike Chemotti, MSK Corp., to refund the fee of \$725.00 for the cancelled September 2, 2006 event on Paper Mill Island due to inclement weather be approved.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action concerning a request received from Mike Chemotti, MSK Corp., to return his security deposit of \$1,500.00 for his Paper Mill Island events for the summer of 2006. He is aware that the check cannot be released until the fee for trash removal is deducted. Green's Trash Removal will be faxing the Village a bill tomorrow, Friday, November 17, 2006.

Motion #276 -

Moved by Trustee Mott seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni to approve a request received from Mike Chemotti, MSK Corp., to return his security deposit of \$1,500.00 for his Paper Mill Island events for the summer of 2006 once the trash fees have been deducted.

CARRIED.

Motion #277 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni to retire to three executive sessions, one for a contract issue, one for litigation and one for contract negotiations at 8:22 p.m.

CARRIED.

Motion #278 -

Moved by Trustee A. Saraceni seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the board members return from Executive Session at 9:30 p.m.

CARRIED

Motion #279 -

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee Presley that the bills be paid from their proper accounts, after audit. General #263 (Cks #29185 -#29254) - \$58,766.39; Water #263 (Cks #21499 -#21508) - \$7,278.18; Sewer #263 (Cks #20969-#20979) - \$5,855.68.

CARRIED.

Motion #280 -

Moved by Trustee Stebbins seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the meeting be adjourned at 9:35 p.m., until the next Regular Village Board meeting to be held on December 7, 2006, at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall.

CARRIED.

Adjournment,

Deputy Village Clerk

