

REGULAR MEETING-BOARD OF TRUSTEES-FEBRUARY 16, 2009-7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: ERNEST W. MARTIN, MAYOR; TRUSTEES – JOHN BASILE, RAYMOND WALKER, KENNETH BAKER ABSENT: JOHN MURPHY

ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY, JAMES PELUSO; SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, ROBERT GERASIA; BUILDING CODE OFFICER, LYNN GOMAN ABSENT: FIRE CHIEF, SHANE MAHAR

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC HEARING: Local Law No. 1 of the year 2009: Regulating Vehicles and Traffic in the Village of Stillwater, County of Saratoga, State of New York

The Mayor read the notice of public hearing that was published in the newspaper.

MOTION to open the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker

Motion carried 3-0

Terry Simmons questioned Section 5 clarifying no tractor trailers on Village streets other than Lake and Hudson Ave and asked how it will be enforced. Discussion held on the affect of the parking regulations on local businesses, specifically Pat's Subs who Mrs. Simmons stated had a petition although it was never presented to the Village Board. Trustee Basile responded the parking was more of an inconvenience than a potential threat to income and agreed tractor trailers should use Park Ave because if they need to go through the Hudson Ave and Lake St. intersection it would create other issues.

Tim Campbell asked if there was any concern regarding the entrance to Stewart's and was told no. Keith Collins noted there is no curb demarcation along the Stewart's property.

MOTION to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Basile

Motion carried 3-0

CORRESPONDENCE

The EPA will hold an informational meeting at the Stillwater School on February 25, 2009 at 6pm.

The Mayor reviewed the upcoming schedule of Village Board meetings: March 17 regular meeting at 7pm. March 18, special meeting at approximately 9:15pm to accept election results. April 7, reorganizational meeting at 7:00pm. April 21, regular meeting at 7:00pm.

BUILDING CODE OFFICER – Lynn Goman

No building permits and no CO's issued. An auto repair shop is opening in the former Mr. Windshield location. Stillwater Free Library has installed a new handicapped bathroom and vaulted ceilings; trusses have been set on the second building at 299 Hudson Ave. An oil spill is being cleaned up at 62 Hudson Ave, the EPA is involved but no permits are required since the project does not involve any structural work.

FIRE CHIEF – Shane Mahar Absent

Trustee Kenneth Baker reviewed the Chief's report (copy on file).

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS – Robert Gerasia

The Supt. reviewed his report (copy on file) and spoke about the recent annual inspection by DEC representative Al Matrose.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee John Basile – Reviewed his report (copy on file). It's been agreed that 1B is the best option in the Chazen report; final report has been received and forwarded to DEC and Saratoga County Sewer District. The Supt. has suggested back up generators for the two main pump stations and the project would include permanent back ups for Station #1 and possibly #2. USDA and CWSRF applications need to be submitted by 3/1/09 with a \$0 principal fund. Available is 75% of project cost or \$2,000,000, whichever is less. Trustee Basile stated we have the opportunity to expedite engineering to get the applications filed and we rank high on the list for sewer and even higher for water.

Trustee Raymond Walker – Thanked everyone who attended the County Planning and Zoning Conference and presented drawings from Scott Ronda who is seeking approval to split the property he and his cousin own at 299 Hudson Avenue.

MOTION to allow properties 299 A & B and 299 C & D to be changed from rental to owner occupied subject to water and sewer connection fees to be determined by the Board made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Basile.

Discussion: the Board reviewed the drawings and questioned how many tapping fees would be necessary.

Motion carried 3-0

According to Mr. Ronda, someone is looking at the NKT project and Trustee Walker gave permission for them to take a bulldozer onto the property to perform soil sampling.

Trustee John Murphy - absent

CLERK-TREASURER - Margo L. Partak

No one on the Board responded to the Clerk's email regarding the Russell property and she requested the Board make a decision on how much should be billed for water and sewer connections so a CO can be issued to Mr. Russell. Prior charges were reviewed along with which connections existed and which are new. The Mayor said they would decide after the revised water regulations were passed.

MOTION to make the following amendments and transfers to the General Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund:

Increase appropriation A5142.1 (Snow removal, personal service) \$1,186.00; increase revenue A2665 (sale of equipment) \$642.00 and A3001 (revenue sharing) \$544.

Transfer \$5,350 from A 1320.4 (auditor) to A5142.4 (snow removal contractual)

Transfer \$1,000.00 from A5132.404 (Garage, equipment repair) to A5132.1 (garage, personal service)

Increase revenue F2144 (service charges), appropriation F8340.401F (transmission & distribution, water meters) \$1,000.00

Transfer \$3,000 from G8110.420 (professional services) to G8120.404 (Sanitary Sewer, equipment repair)

Made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Baker

Motion carried 3-0

Lengthy discussion was held on the water regulations with special attention to the fee schedule and single family vs. multi family connections. The Clerk recommended waiting until next month to pass as there were too many unanswered questions.

OLD BUSINESS

The Supt. of Public Works advised that all future water taps will be a minimum of 1".

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to approve connection to County Sewer District 1 via 1B, if not acceptable, then via 1A made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Walker

Discussion: Trustee Basile explained the two routes and reviewed the cost involved and who would be required to pay

Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to approve the expenditure of funds, not to exceed \$3900.00, for The Chazen Companies proposal to complete of the CWSRF grant application made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker

Discussion: need to complete the application about sewer plant vs County sewer

Motion carried 3-0

RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2009:
REGULATING VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC IN THE VILLAGE OF STILLWATER,
COUNTY OF SARATOGA, STATE OF NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Stillwater has considered the consolidation and amendment of the Village’s traffic regulations (Local Law No. 3 of 1995 as amended 1995, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2005), and the enactment of new traffic regulations pertaining to, among other things, traffic control signs, parking regulations, vehicle safety, traffic emergency and other traffic related regulations.

WHEREAS, after due notice a public hearing was duly held before the Village of Stillwater Board of Trustees at the Village Hall on February 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2009 entitled “Regulating Vehicles and Traffic in The Village of Stillwater, County Of Saratoga, State Of New York,” and all persons interested in the subject thereof were duly heard;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Stillwater Board of Trustees does hereby pass, approve and adopt Local Law 1 of 2009 in its entirety, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Village Clerk are authorized to sign all documents and perform such actions necessary to effectuate the filing of the new local law with the New York State Office of the Secretary of State.

MOTION to adopt the foregoing Resolution was made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Baker	Voting	aye
Trustee Basile	Voting	aye
Trustee Walker	Voting	aye
Mayor Martin	Voting	aye

Motion carried 4-0

MOTION to approve Treasurer Report made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Walker

Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to approve the minutes from January 20, 2009 made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker

Motion carried 3 -0

MOTION to approve the audited claims:

A - \$ 15,065.67
F - \$ 11,623.81

G - \$ 3,551.83

H - \$ 7,260.80

made by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Basile
Motion carried 3-0

Open Floor

Terry Simmons asked about the Saratoga County Sewer connections and Trustee Basile explained the costs. Mrs. Simmons questioned the run off from sump pumps and expressed concern regarding the language about water taps. Trustee Basile explained alternatives 1A & 1B and discussed the costs. Ms. Simmons asked for the status on the Strip Mall and NKT projects and was told there's nothing new.

MOTION to adjourn to executive session at 9:20pm made by Trustee Walker, seconded by trustee Basile
Motion carried 3-0

Return to regular session

MOTION to approve the expenditure of funds, not to exceed \$3,900, for the purpose of supporting a complete funding application under the DWRF for a new water supply per the Chazen Companies proposal dated February 13, 2009, Section A made by Trustee Basile, seconded by Trustee Baker
Motion carried 3-0

Sidewalk Grant: cannot put sidewalks in without proper drainage, need debt of \$400,000 for drainage, a decision must be made by April 1.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Partak
Clerk-Treasurer