

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE HELD ON DECEMBER 14, 2009 AT 7:00 PM IN THE TRUSTEES ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 156 NORTH MAIN STREET, WELLSVILLE, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: Mayor: James Cretekos
Trustees: Judy Lynch, Laurie Hennessy, Jamie Herman, and Tink LaForge
Police Chief: Steve Mattison
Village Atty: Dan Synakowski
Director PW: William Whitfield

ABSENT: None

VISITORS: Bob Sobeck, Shane Allen, Paul Giovannelio, Wendall Brown, Kevin LaForge, and Brian Quinn.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag led by Trustee Herman.

Mayor Cretekos called the meeting to order and announced the first order of business would be the approval of the minutes of the previous regular meeting. Hearing no corrections or comments the minutes were accepted as presented.

The floor was opened for public comments.

1. Bob Sobeck – He informed the board of the immediate availability of Main Street Funding to cover the next set of decorative lights planned for the downtown business district. As soon as the Village submits copies of the invoicing to Bob he will arrange for the immediate reimbursement to cover the cost.
2. Wendall Brown – He brought the board current on the recent developments regarding the future of the local Friendship Empire Zone based on recent changes to the program. The bottom-line at this time indicates that there is doubt existing as to the future of the local organization. Final determination will be made in the early part of 2010. He encouraged the board to strongly consider maintaining the existing budget line item for the new fiscal year in some form so that if the local organization does continue, it will have the financial support of the Village. The trustees indicated that the support would be considered as a contingency line item for 2011.

MAYORS BUSINESS:

1. **Requested approval for a special meeting on January 4, 2010 at 7:00pm in the Village Board Room to discuss all potential offers to purchase Village owned property located on the East side of Main Street across from Pizza King and Pizza Hut. On a motion made by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Herman the request was approved.**
2. **Approve authorization for the mayor to execute the final accepted contract between Tyler Technologies, Inc. and the Village of Wellsville pertaining to the**

- Purchase Contract for the new Financial Software Package, subject to the acceptance of the final contract form by the Village Attorney. On a motion by Mayor Cretokos and second by Trustee LaForge the authorization was approved unanimously.**
- 3. Approve the Village of Wellsville 2009=2010 support of the Friendship Empire Zone in the amount of \$5,000.00. On a motion by Mayor Cretokos and second by Trustee LaForge the support was approved.**
 - 4. Approval of the 2010 Holiday schedule for the Village of Wellsville was granted on a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee LaForge.**
 5. Received notification from the Wellsville Volunteer Ambulance Corp of their annual banquet to be held on January 23, 2010, at the Wellsville VFW. All reservations are due by January 2, 2010 by mailing information to PO Box 206, Wellsville.
 - 6. The mayor made a motion to cancel the regular meeting of the board on December 28, 2009. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaForge, after discussion the motion was defeated by the vote of one aye and four nays.**

TRUSTEES BUSINESS:

HERMAN:

- 1) **Made a motion to take the N. Park Avenue development off of the table. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaForge and approved unanimously.**
- 2) **Made a motion to approve the development plans which have been proposed by the DPW for the N. Park Avenue behind the library with the placement of the sidewalk being the first phase. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hennessy and approved unanimously with Trustee Herman serving as the liaison to the Library Board.**
- 3) **Wishes all employees and residents of the Village a very Merry Christmas.**

HENNESSY: Nothing

LYNCH: Nothing

LAFORGE: Requests executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

1. Received and filed the November Fire Board meeting minutes.
2. Received and filed the November 30, 2009 expense report from Dyke Street Engine Co. Trustee Herman inquired if the reports received are in the requested format similar to what is received from Emerald Hook & Ladder; he was told that they did not.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

1. **Requested approval of Jered Heaney to permanent police officer status based on his successful completion of his 12 week probationary period. On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee Hennessy the request was unanimously approved.**
2. The board was informed that letters of thanks have been issued by Chief Mattison to the shared leadership committee (Lt. Walsh, Sgt. Bierman, RPO Riley, Com Tech Perkins, Com Tech Mills and Trustee Herman) in the interviews of new hires for the Com Tech and Police Officer positions.
3. Reported to the board that this years Shop With a Cop was again a great success.

DPW:

1. **Requested authorization to hold the annual DPW Christmas Party at the Village Garage on December 18, 2009 between 10:00am and 12:00pm. On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee Hennessy the request was approved.**
2. Notification that garbage collection for Christmas week will be – Thursday’s route will be picked up on Tuesday 12/22/09 and Friday’s route will be picked up on Wednesday 12/23/09.
3. Notification that garbage collection for New Year’s Day will be on Thursday 12/31/09.
4. The paving plan drawn up by the DPW was presented to the Trustees for their review and consideration relative to future budget planning.
5. Notification of new federal sign requirements and proposed plan to deal with the pending changes. Trustee Herman suggested that the Village contact the County to see if we and other municipalities might be able to join together to receive a better overall pricing.
6. The board was informed of the new Hydro allocation that has been issued by NYPA due to additional energy incentives required by Massena.
7. The board was informed of the ongoing review process currently underway regarding FEMA and the Madison Culvert project. It is anticipated that prior to the end of the calendar year the final numbers should be ready.
8. Requested Executive Session to discuss personnel issue.

CLERK TREASURER:

1. **Acceptance and approval of the vouchers listed in Abstract #13 dated December 14, 2009 were approved on a motion by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Hennessy as follows:**

| <u>Fund</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Vouchers</u> |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| A | \$ 32,658.77 | 549 – 623 |
| CT | 16,102.00 | 20 – 23 |
| EE | 28,430.66 | 321 – 352 |
| F | 11,885.07 | 276 – 305 |
| G | 5,612.56 | 292 – 313 |
| R | 3,799.14 | 90 – 96 |
| TA | <u>15,962.43</u> | 10 - 14 |
| TOTAL | \$114,450.63 | |

- 2. Requested approval to remove an old line shed located behind the West State Street Sub-Station from the fixed assets of the Electric Department. The cost of repair would exceed the underlying value of the structure. On a motion made by Trustee LaForge and seconded by Trustee Herman the request was approved.**

On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee LaForge the Board moved out of the regular session into the executive session at 7:40 PM.

On a motion by Trustee Herman and seconded by Trustee Hennessy the Board moved out of Executive Session and back to Regular Session at 9:10 PM.

On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee Hennessy a Revolving Loan in the amount of \$120,000.00 was approved to 32 N. Main LLC.

On a motion by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Hennessy a Revolving Loan in the amount \$50,000.00 was approved to Shane Allen dba Computer Solutions.

On a motion by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Hennessy the permanent appointment of Jeffrey Smith as Electric Utility Superintendent effective 12/15/09 was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM on a call by the Mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Caldwell
Village Clerk/Treasurer