

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE HELD ON JANUARY 28, 2008 AT 7:00 PM IN THE TRUSTEES ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 156 NORTH MAIN ST WELLSVILLE, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor: Bradley Thompson  
Trustees: Laurie Hennessy, Judy Lynch, and Tom Hayden  
Chief of Police: Steven Mattison  
DPW Director: William Whitfield  
Village Attorney: Dan Synakowski

**ABSENT:** Trustee Jesse Case

**VISITORS:** Stephen Rashid, Kathryn Ross, and Barb Graves

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order and announced the first order of business would be the approval of the minutes of the previous regular meeting and special public hearing held on January 14, 2007. **Motion made to accept the minutes by Trustee Hayden with a second by Trustee Hennessy the minutes were approved as presented.**

At this time the Mayor opened the floor to Stephen Rashid.

Mr. Rashid presented a draft letter to the Mayor and each Trustee indicating his intent to not repair or replace the sidewalk in front of his property. He indicated that his current refusal is based on the same position which he presented to the Board of Trustees back in May of 2006 – basically, his sidewalk is in as good, if not better, condition than other portions of sidewalk on N. Main Street which have not been cited. He stated that if the Village attempted to repair or replace any of the sidewalks in question he would bring legal action against the Village.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Rashid for presenting his concerns to the Board.

**MAYOR'S BUSINESS:**

1. The Mayor request approval of the appointment of the following Election Inspectors for the March 18, 2008 Village Election:
  1. Lorraine Chaffee 263 S. Main Street
  2. Marion Johnson 138 Hill Street
  3. Jane Walsh 5 Sunnydale Avenue
  4. Esther Childs 54 Fairview Avenue
  5. Helen Taylor 22 Fair Street
  6. Marge Vossler 2774 Miller Road
    - a. Lyle Rahr 73 N. Franklin Street (alternate)

**On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Hennessy the appointments were approved.**

2. The Mayor requested approval to allow the Southern Tier Child Advocacy Center of Olean to erect a banner in downtown Wellsville during the month of April indicating that it is the National Child Abuse Month. **On a motion made by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Hennessy the request was tabled until the name that will be on the banner is clarified.**
3. The Mayor announced a scheduled meeting for District 4 set for February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm to be in the Village Board Room – the public is welcome.
4. The Mayor presented to the Board the new marketing campaign brochure that has been created by the Wellsville Chamber of Commerce and Towne Marketing. The Mayor and the Board extended their thanks to the parties involved for publishing such a high quality brochure that promotes the Village of Wellsville to potential new- comers!
5. The Mayor requested approval to accept and execute the new Town of Wellsville Fire Protection Contract for 2008 between the Wellsville Volunteer Fire Department, the Village of Wellsville, and the Town of Wellsville totaling \$108,060.00. **On a motion by Trustee Hennessy and second by Trustee Lynch the contract was accepted and executed.**
6. The Mayor made the following Proclamation:

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS, healthy kidneys are essential to regulate the body by water and other chemicals in your blood, remove fluids, waste, toxins and drugs introduced to the body, release hormones that regulate blood pressure, make red blood cells and promote strong bones and,**

**WHEREAS, more than 26 million Americans, about one in nine adults, suffer from chronic kidney disease and,**

**WHEREAS, of the 31,000 New Yorkers afflicted with end-stage renal disease, approximately 40 percent are African American and 16 percent are Hispanic and,**

**WHEREAS, the two main causes of chronic kidney disease are diabetes and high blood pressure, which are responsible for up to two-thirds of the cases and,**

**WHEREAS, the National Kidney Foundation of WNY has a health screening program to identify people in the early stages of kidney disease and,**

**WHEREAS, the mission of the National Kidney Foundation of WNY is to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation and,**

**WHEREAS, early detection including regular reporting of the GFR calculation, currently the best indication of kidney disease staging can help prevent the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, which requires continual dialysis or kidney transplant to maintain life and,**

**WHEREAS, the cost of treatment for kidney disease patients is disproportionately higher than any other chronic disease and,**

**WHEREAS, most patients who have end-stage renal disease rely primarily on Medicare and Medicaid to cover the costs of their life-sustaining care, which includes dialysis treatment, medications, laboratory testing, and as necessary, transportation services to the dialysis facility, and as a consequence, any changes in Medicare and Medicaid eligibility, significantly put them at risk, NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED;**

**I BRADLEY THOMPSON, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE DO PROCLAIM MARCH 13, 2008 BE RECOGNIZED AS “WORLD KIDNEY DAY” IN THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE IN THE HOPE THAT ALL POSSIBLE SUPPORT WILL CONTINUE TO BE EXTENDED TO CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE PATIENTS IN NEW YORK AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD.**

**TRUSTEES BUSINESS:**

**CASE:** Nothing at this time.

**HENNESSY:** 1) Requested to move into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter. On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Lynch the request was approved.

**LYNCH:** 1) Indicated that she has one legal matter to discuss in Executive Session.

**HAYDEN:** 1) Requested that the name of Steven Kear be added to the active roll of the Genesee Hose Company. **On a motion by Trustee Lynch and second by Trustee Hennessy the request was approved.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

1. NONE

**POLICE:**

1. Chief Mattison presented the Juvenile Officer annual report for 2007 as prepared by Officer Riley.

**DPW:**

1. Director Whitfield requested approval to reduce the appropriation on E741.42.000 – Tree Removal by \$2,300.00, and increase E0123.04.511 – Purchased Material-Sockets/Enc. by \$2,300.00 to cover the cost of 8 Pull Boxes required at Lagoon Field. **On a motion by Trustee Hennessy and second by Trustee Hayden the request was approved.**
2. Director Whitfield requested approval to submit to State Archives a grant application in the amount of \$75,000.00 to acquire nearly 500 AMR water meters.

**On a motion by Trustee Hennessy and second by Trustee Lynch the request was approved.**

3. Director Whitfield requested approval to transfer \$500.00 from G8120.451 and \$500.00 from G8120.462 and increase the appropriation for G8120.463 by \$1,000.00 to cover the cost of a propane generator fuel upgrade for the N. Main Lift Station. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Hennessy the request was approved.**
4. Director Whitfield presented a letter received requesting a refund of the sewer connection fee charged to Oliver Colburn at 226 West Dyke Street due to past payments of sewer charges when the property was not a part of the public sewer system. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Lynch the refund was approved.**
5. Director Whitfield requested approval to transfer the Riverside Water customer's who reside in the Town of Scio from the Village of Wellsville water supply to the Town of Scio water system. As part of the transfer the current arrears represented by the ten accounts affected are recommended be waived. Additionally, all water meters currently located at each of these respective locations are to be transferred in place at no cost to the Town of Scio. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Lynch approval was given for all elements of the recommendation presented.**
6. Director Whitfield requested approval for Malcolm Gordon, Dan Artlip, and Brad Mattison to attend the Excavation Safety Seminar in Elmira on March 20<sup>th</sup>, at no cost to the Village. **On a motion by Trustee Lynch and second by Trustee Hayden the request was approved.**
7. Director Whitfield announced that the Village has been notified via a current billing received from the County that the tipping fees for both Sludge and Solid Waste have increased \$5.00 per ton effective immediately. This will have an impact of the current budget as well as the 2009 Budget.
8. Director Whitfield requested approval to increase the appropriation for E0101.384.00.400 by \$155,995.00 to cover the cost of the new 2007 International Bucket Truck purchased from Dueco, Inc. The funding will be covered 100% through the existing Equipment Reserve Account and the proceeds from the sale of the old Bucket Truck to the Village of Angelica for the amount of \$32,500. **On a motion by Trustee Hennessy and second by Trustee Hayden the request was approved.**
9. Director Whitfield requested approval to prepay Dueco, Inc. \$155,995.00 for the purchase of the new 2007 International Bucket Truck. After the payment is made and the sale proceeds are received from the Village of Wellsville the Equipment Reserve Fund – Electric will have a balance of \$37,540.99 remaining. **On a motion by Trustee Lynch and second by Trustee Hennessy the payment was approved.**

**CLERK TREASURER:**

1. Mayor Thompson requested approval for the following current vouchers listed in Abstract #15 dated January 28, 2008 to be paid as reviewed by the Trustees. **Motion made by Trustee Hayden seconded by Trustee Hennessy to pay bills in the total amount as follows;**

Fund A	\$ 44,630.94	Vouchers	622 to 672
Fund CS	5,316.29		32 to 41
Fund CT	107.08		23 to 24

Fund E	225,170.57	254 to 272
Fund F	9,850.88	273 to 296
Fund G	8,676.84	295 to 318
Fund R	8,884.51	66 to 73
Fund TA	<u>1,106.51</u>	5
Total	<u>\$303,743.62</u>	

2. Clerk Caldwell presented to the Board a status report of the 2007 Year-end process. The Board was presented with the proposed 2007 State AUD Report to review. It was indicated that although they can expect some adjusting entries to be made by the auditors during their audit the cash and reserve balances are accurate.

**Meeting was adjourned on a motion by Trustee Hennessy and second by Trustee Lynch to move into executive session at 7:30 pm.**

**The Executive Session adjourned at 7:50 pm on a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Hennessy.**

**On the call of Mayor Thompson the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Caldwell  
Village Clerk Treasurer