

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE HELD ON MARCH 24, 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: Jesse Case, Laurie Hennessy, Judy Lynch, and Tom Hayden
Chief of Police: Steven Mattison
DPW Director: Kier Dirlam (sitting in for William Whitfield)

ABSENT: Village Attorney: Dan Synakowski

VISITORS: Kathryn Ross, Barb Graves, Tim O'Grady, and Gary Houghtaling.

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 held on March 10, 2008. **Motion made to accept the minutes by Trustee Case with a second by Trustee Hayden the minutes were approved as presented.**

The Mayor opened the meeting for public comments;

- Mr. Houghtaling of Triplett Transportation out of Olean indicated that he was interested in starting a new Taxi Service in Wellsville and wanted to inquire if he needed to have Board approval. Mayor Thompson indicated that there is no Board approval necessary and that the Board welcomes him and his new business to the Wellsville community.
- Ms. Graves brought to the Board's attention the continued problem existing at 174 Madison Avenue of unsightly trash piled up along the sidewalk. Kier Dirlam mentioned that the DPW office was alerted of this problem on Good Friday and it has been referred to the Code Enforcement Department. The Mayor indicated that if satisfactory corrective action is not taken by the land owner the Village would clean up the problem.
- Legislator Tim O'Grady rose to provide the Board with a status report regarding the Allegany County Court Facilities & Space Needs Committee work on complying with the Court Facilities Capital Plan Act of 1987.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS:

1. The Mayor requested approval of the appointment of Mike Kaufman to permanent employee status effective 1/29/08. **On a motion by Trustee Case and second by Trustee Hayden the appointment was approved.**
2. The Mayor requested approval of a resolution designating William Whitfield as the accredited delegate of the Village Municipal Electric Department with the authority to cast any necessary vote properly brought before the M.E.U.A. Semi-Annual Meeting to be held on April 16 & 17, 2008 in East Syracuse. **On a motion by Trustee Hennessy and second by Trustee Hayden the resolution was approved unanimously.**

3. The Mayor approved the setting of the Annual Organizational Meeting for April 7, 2008 to be held at 6:00pm in the Village Board Room. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Hennessy the meeting time was approved.**
4. The Mayor reminded the Board that there is a Public Budget Meeting scheduled for 7:00pm on April 7, 2008 in the Village Board Room.
5. The Mayor announced that the 7th Annual Allegany County Career Day would be held on March 26, 2008 at the Wellsville Middle/High School and that it is open to the public from 2:30pm to 3:30pm.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS:

CASE: Thanked the community for allowing him to serve them for the past number of years, and thanked the Mayor and the other Trustees for their willingness to work together for the betterment of the community. He wished the new Mayor and Trustees well and indicated that he would assist in any appropriate way if asked.

HENNESSY: Thanked the Mayor, Trustee Case, and Trustee Hayden for their past service to the community and wished them all well in their future endeavors.

LYNCH: Indicated that it was a pleasure to have served with the Mayor, Trustee Case and Trustee Hayden over the past number of years. She indicated that although there were differences from time to time she appreciated the fact that everyone on the Board had the well being of the community as their focus.

HAYDEN: Mentioned what a personal honor it had been for him to be able to give back to the community through his public service. He offered his services in the future to the community. He thanked the community for placing their trust in him and he thanked the Mayor and Trustees for making his tenure as enjoyable and fulfilling as it was. Trustee Hayden also wanted to clarify for the record that on the vouchers his approval was indicated by an 'X'.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

1. Trustee Hayden read an invitation received from the Grant Duke Hose Co. #1 for the current and new Mayor and Trustees to attend their annual dinner to be held on April 1, 2008 at 6:00pm. The event will be held at the station house at 80 Stevens Street.

POLICE:

1. Chief Mattison requested approval for Officer Mark Bierman to attend the 'Advanced Diagramming and Animation' for serious traffic accident investigation to be held in Bath, NY on April 7-10, 2008 at a cost of \$595.00. **On a motion by Trustee Lynch and second by Trustee Hayden the request was approved.**
2. Chief Mattison requested approval for Officer Josh Kear to attend the 'Officer's Survival – Armed Encounters' seminar to be held in Monroe County on May 14, 2008 at no cost. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Case the request was approved.**

3. Chief Mattison requested approval for his attendance at the 'Positive Motivational Strategies' by John Edwards put on by the U.S. Attorney's Office and Hilbert College at Hilbert College on April 16, 2008 at no charge. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Case the request was approved.**
4. Chief Mattison provided the Board with an update on the plans for the Viet Nam 'Moving Wall' memorial visit to Wellsville schedule for May 7 – 12, 2008. He indicated that word has been received that there will be 1,000 motorcycles and that they have requested a Main Street 'Parade of Cycles' during the event.
5. Chief Mattison gave his personal thanks to Mayor Thompson, Trustee Case and Trustee Hayden for their support of his department and their service to the community.

DPW:

1. Mr. Dirlam requested authorization for Jeff Smith and William Whitfield to attend the M.E.U.A. Semi-Annual Meeting on April 16 & 17, 2008 in East Syracuse. **On a motion by Trustee Hayden and second by Trustee Case the request was approved.**
2. Mr. Dirlam requested approval to accept the low bid submitted by Blair Supply to supply and deliver Water Line Materials for the total price of \$53,126.46. The bid represented the low bid of four received and opened as of March 20, 2008. **On a motion by Trustee Case and second by Trustee Hayden the bid was accepted.**

CLERK TREASURER:

1. Mayor Thompson requested approval for the following current vouchers listed in Abstract #19 dated March 25, 2008 to be paid as reviewed by the Trustees. **Motion made by Trustee Hayden seconded by Trustee Case to pay bills in the total amount as follows;**

Fund A	\$125,250.96	Vouchers	789 to 822
Fund CT	31.95		30
Fund EE	7,685.79		342 to 355
Fund F	6,378.53		356 to 374
Fund G	4,965.31		389 to 407
Fund R	923.55		91 to 93
Fund TA	<u>1,994.50</u>		16
Total	<u>\$147,230.59</u>		

2. Clerk Caldwell informed the Board of the current planned audit schedule by the Villages outside auditors. They will be on-site to begin the audit of the May 31, 2007 year-end the week of April 21 – 25, 2008. They anticipate that the audit will be completed prior to May 31, 2008. The May 31, 2008 year-end audit is scheduled to commence in July 2008 with a completion in August 2008.

Mayor Thompson took the opportunity at the end of the meeting to express his appreciation to the citizens of Wellsville for the trust that they place on him over the past eight years. He thanked the current board members for their commitment and support over the past four years. He congratulated James Cretekos, J. Andrew Herman, and Douglas LaForge, Jr. on their election and wished them much success in their new elected positions.

He encouraged the new board to continue the work already begun on the Main Street Project and the current Restore NY Grant Process. He asked that the Village support the board and voice their concerns and aspirations in constructive and supportive ways.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Trustee Case and second by Trustee Hennessy at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Caldwell
Village Clerk Treasurer