

Board of Trustees-Regular Board Meeting
September 12, 2017
6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor David Truax; Trustees: Melanie Thorp, Robert Carter, Mike Dibble and Pat Vance; Code Enforcement Officer Chuck Cagle; Officer in Charge Jim Rumpfelt; and Deputy Village Clerk Pam Reed

PUBLIC: BJ Cornell III, Mary Ann Weber, Jeanne Todd, Randy Mackin, Theresa Andersen, Gloria Kahl, Ronda Brown

MINTUES:

The minutes from August 8, 2017 of the Regular Board Meeting were reviewed. David Truax made the correction that he was not present at the August 8, 2017 Board Meeting. On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved the minutes with the one change made by the Mayor.

On a motion made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Vance, Abstract 4 was approved for the following amounts; General \$2,716.89 Electric \$4,895.39 and Water \$1,159.96

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Jeanne Todd requested one more brush pickup as she was not aware that the Board had changed the scheduled pickup and she has had brush on her property for weeks now. After some discussion, it was suggested that a notice would go out with the utility bills notifying residents that the Village would have one more brush pickup on Monday, October 2, 2017. After that time, the approved new schedule would go into effect. On a motion was made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Dibble, the Board approved the added brush pickup day.
- Randy Mackin asked about progress on the wastewater project. He suggested going door to door; hold a public meeting or advertise in the school newsletter. This was tabled until Mayor Truax talks to Jill (Kheops) and gets back to the Board.
- Ronda Brown discussed her request to get a miniature horse. The Board advised that it is pending with the Code Enforcement Officer and someone will get back to her.

REPORTS:

The Public Works monthly report was submitted to all Board Members.

- BJ Cornell discussed the backhoe service quote. Trustee Dibble will see if CHIPS will pay a portion of this. Trustee Dibble asked if there was a warranty in effect. BJ will check the lease agreement/warranty. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Dibble to proceed with the needed maintenance for \$2,000.
- BJ discussed the bucket truck fire on 9/5/17 during shared services in Angelica. The truck has been repaired and BJ is waiting for a decision from the insurance company.

- BJ asked if the Board was willing to pay an invoice billed to Angelica for \$1,100 after hitting a mismarked gas line near the store in Andover during recent shared services work. Dig Safe was on site. On a motion made by Trustee Vance and seconded by Trustee Dibble, the Board approved to pay this invoice.
- BJ requested that Ed VanBuskirk be allowed to attend two water training seminars in Painted Post (Oct 17th) and Ithaca (Oct 25th) for \$139. Ed needs 12 credits by September 2018. On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved to pay for the training.
- BJ requested a new pump for the springs for \$600 (per USA Blue Book) as the Village has no backup. On a motion made by Trustee Dibble and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved the purchase.
- BJ brought in pictures of poles that need to be repaired or replaced (9 were removed) and discussed the pole 421 replacement. He also advised that the transformer relocation on Rochambeau would be at the owner's expense (approx \$2,000), per our tariff. Trustee Dibble would like a detail of the installation options. This was tabled as it was agreed that more discussion is needed.
- BJ mentioned that, in the future, 115 poles will need to be replaced. Trustee Vance requested that BJ set up a schedule for these replacements.
- BJ discussed leaf pickup. The Mayor will call Job Track to see if any help is available.
- BJ discussed the need to replace a drain box on Hill Street. Trustee Dibble to donate rebar.
- BJ advised that NYPA calibrated meters today (9/12/17).
- Per a letter received from NYMPA (re: pole attachments), a motion was made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Vance that the tariff would be updated from \$8.51 to \$11.98 per pole. The Board approved this update.
- BJ provided a copy of his Certification for pole top rescue from MEUA.
- BJ discussed (per Aqua Store) the future need for the 20 panels that will need to be replaced. Mayor Truax suggested placing a camera at the tanks for security.

On a motion made by Trustee Vance and seconded, by Trustee Dibble, the Board approved the DPW report.

The Code Enforcement Report was submitted to all Board Members.

- Chuck will get an updated copy of the Local Law regarding Farm Animals to all Board members. The current Local Law was passed in 2003.
- Chuck discussed a residence on Rochambeau and the Village's Certificate of Occupancy requirement (Local Law pg 35c) regarding deed sales. Per Chuck's discussion with Charlie Bliss, the Village cannot issue a Certificate of Occupancy to a residence as the Village would be liable. Mayor Truax will have the Village Clerk set up a public hearing before the next Board meeting to discuss the removal of this requirement from the Village's Local Laws.
- Chuck will give a 10 day notice to clean up the property at a residence on Dyke Street.
- Chuck confirmed that the Code Enforcement Officer can remove farm animals from a Village property.

- Chuck discussed the continued need for the Village to adopt a Local Law regarding fences and maintaining fences. This will be addressed at the Public Hearing.
- Chuck will be attending a “Zombie Property” seminar on 9/20/17 and will turn in expenses for Andover’s share.

On a motion made by Trustee Vance and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved the Code Enforcement Report.

The Justice Report was not submitted in time for the Board meeting.

The Police Report was submitted to all Board Members.

- Officer Rumpfelt discussed the town contract that would (tentatively) be shared for 3 months (Oct thru Dec 2017). Jim is seeking grant monies through Senator Young’s office, etc. He said that the contract would cost \$5,000 for the 1st year (as no idea what actual fines and/or costs, etc will be incurred yet) and then the contract would be re-negotiated to reflect actual costs. Trustee Dibble wants more information on insurance coverage and requested that the contract acceptance be tabled until the Board sees a cost analysis. Jim will do a breakdown for the Board.
- Officer Rumpfelt said the Village police car needs snow tires. He will get a quote for the Board.
- Officer Rumpfelt is waiting for an email regarding the dump policy.
- Officer Rumpfelt said that tickets are up this month

On a motion made by Trustee Vance and seconded by Trustee Dibble, the Board accepted Officer Rumpfelt’s Police Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- BJ received tree quotes for \$5,500 from Select Logging & Tree (Aaron McGraw) with Andover DPW’s help. Trustee Dibble will see if CHIPS will pay a portion of this. Trustee Thorp will confirm that a portion of the Foundation money can be used on this project as it includes maintenance. On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved.
- The Board agreed to include discussion regarding the purchase offer from Mr. Walker and the move into the church in the upcoming public hearing. It was suggested that the public hearing be held on Tuesday September 19, 2017. Mayor Truax will get with Village Clerk Maria Wood to set up this meeting.
- Officer Rumpfelt spray painted a portion of the sidewalk in front of the Village Office in response to Maple City Physical Therapy’s complaint. After further discussion regarding replacement and/or ownership of the sidewalk, the Board agreed to table this topic for now.
- Per Trustee Thorp, the updated Work Rules & Regulations are almost complete. This topic was tabled for future discussion.
- The Local Law regarding harboring of farm animals was discussed. As previous Board meeting suggested changes to the 2003 Local Law were never submitted and Code Enforcement is researching this topic, the Board agreed to table this topic for now.

- Discussion regarding DPW overtime to check the spring was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Trustee Dibble asked about the recent IRBY invoice, ordered by former DPW Superintendent Jeff Smith. BJ Cornell explained it was for cutouts, etc which were needed. Mayor Truax confirmed the need. Trustee Dibble stated he did not like the lack of pre-approval for ordering such items. BJ will cover this issue in the future.
- Mayor Truax suggested temporarily suspending the 2nd meeting of each month due to schedule conflicts. It was suggested that a special meeting could be called as needed between monthly meetings. Trustee Thorp agreed and suggested that agenda items be “streamlined” with the appropriate department trustee before the meeting. Trustees Vance, Carter and Dibble agreed to the change. On a motion made by Trustee Vance and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board agreed to the change.
- Mayor Truax and Trustee Dibble interviewed two potential candidates for the vacant DPW Superintendent position. After discussion, the Board agreed to table this topic.
- Mayor Truax received a letter from the MEUA requesting approval for a delegate resolution from the Village Board. The Village Board agreed to appoint Mike Trivisonoli from the Village of Angelica as our delegate at the MEUA conference to be held September 19-22, 2017 in Saratoga Springs, NY. On a motion made by Trustee Thorp and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board approved the delegate appointment.
- Officer Rumpfelt would like to attend a free Traffic Safety seminar in Geneva. On a motion made by Trustee Dibble and seconded by Trustee Carter, the Board agreed.

On a motion made by Trustee Dibble and seconded by Trustee Thorp, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.