

DATE OF MEETING: September 22, 2008

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Liffland  
Trustee Tracy Durkin  
Trustee Wayne Osborn  
Trustee Colette Zito

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Legislator David Kelly gave an update on topics before the Legislature. He spoke about Water and Wastewater projects, the Community Development Block Grant application period, energy assistance available through HEAP, the long term Disaster Recovery Committee and outdoor wood burning furnaces.

Dolores Ragsdale from the Dutchess County YMCA asked the Board for the use of the Village Hall meeting room for teen programs. Mayor Liffland said he was in favor of allowing the YMCA to use the meeting room however proof of insurance would have to be submitted first. Ms. Ragsdale said the programs would be staffed by YMCA staff but would be youth driven. Trustee Zito said at the meetings she attended regarding the youth of the community outstanding people were involved and she was in favor of the program. Trustee Durkin said it was a great place to start because the location was good for advertising the programs as well as for security reasons.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to allow the Dutchess County YMCA use of the Village of Pawling meeting room for teen events on Friday and Saturday evenings (times and dates to be negotiated) pending attorney review and proof of insurance. **SECONDED** by Trustee Zito. Trustee Durkin said if Ms. Ragsdale formed an action committee she would be happy to represent the Board of Trustees. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Bart Clark, an engineer for the village, went over possible revisions to the existing Stormwater Management Law. He said one revision was to clarify when the Planning Board would become involved in issuing a Stormwater Management Permit as opposed to the Stormwater Management Officer or Code Enforcement Officer issuing the permit. Mr. Clark said anyone within the East of Hudson Watershed needs to have a permit if the disturbance is over 5,000 square feet. He explained that between 5,000 – 15,000 square feet the permits can be issued by the Code Enforcement Officer or Stormwater Management Officer and if the disturbance is 15,000 and above the Planning Board would review it. There was discussion on the benefits and drawbacks of adopting the revisions as well as funding of the program. The Board decided to wait to pass the revisions.

Mr. Clark gave a status update on illicit discharge, an onsite wastewater regulation system, a software demonstration and the DOT maintenance yard.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to accept the bid received from Allen's Tree Service in the amount of \$875.00 to remove trees on Gristmill Lane. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustee Durkin reported that after researching bulk mailing permits it would not be cost effective for the village to pursue that avenue. She said the postage meter lease was coming up for renewal and 2 quotes were received - \$133 a month for a machine with no feeder or \$143 a month for a machine with a feeder which the office staff requested.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to authorize Mayor Robert Liffland to sign the Lease Agreement for the DM 400 digital mailing series postage meter with the automatic feeder for \$143 a month. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to approve the adjustment to Water Account # 156 in the amount of \$35.89 due to a faulty meter. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. Mayor Liffland reported that the faulty meter would be changed out for a new one. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to approve the August 4, 2008 minutes. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to approve the Metro North Treasurer's Report for August 2008. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

### **Historian's Report**

Mr. Drew Nicholson, Village Historian, stated the village received a \$1,000 grant for the Explore 400 celebration. He reported on the history of the jail, asked about the fire box on the front of the hall, stated he would set up a display for Election Day and thanked Earl Slocum for the donation of some photos.

### **Trustees' Reports**

#### **Tracy Durkin**

Trustee Durkin said the Public Hearing was set for September 29, 2008 to discuss zoning changes.

#### **Wayne Osborn**

Trustee Osborn said Lakeside Drive would be paved the week of October 6<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Osborn said he would like to take any amount over the CHIPs allotment from the FEMA account to finish up the Lakeside paving. He reported that leaf season began and the crew would be out picking up the leaves. Mayor Liffland said the DOT had more comments regarding the Grandview Avenue and Reservoir Road projects.

## Colette Zito

Trustee Zito said she received a proposal for the removal of the pine trees at the Metro North lot from Native Landscapes in the amount of \$750.00. There was discussion on the topic. It was decided that Trustee Zito would revisit the topic with Mr. Muroski of Native Landscapes, Inc. to clarify issues regarding the trees. Trustee Zito said the street light installation at Baxter Green was an enormous success. She said she was speaking with the village engineer about problems with the village green street lights. Trustee Zito stated the asbestos testing found that the roof contains friable and non-friable asbestos. She said she was having an abatement plan put together by Zarecki and Associates. There was discussion on the item. Trustee Zito spoke about the All Hazards Mitigation Meeting she attended. There was discussion on the items Trustee Zito needed to forward and Mayor Liffland stated she would find most of the information in the Disaster Response Plan.

## Mayor's Comments

Mayor Liffland thanked Mr. Nicholson for getting the grant for the village. He said he was looking into putting together an RFP for NYSEG to see what helpful programs they might have. Mayor Liffland said the village was awarded a \$2,500 grant in 2007 to be used for moving the monuments as part of the Village Green project and the village received an extension on the grant until July 31, 2009.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 P. M. and go into Public Comment. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to open the regular session and go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to close Executive Session and return to regular session. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

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Village Clerk