

DATE OF MEETING: October 6, 2008
PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York
MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Liffland
Trustee Tracy Durkin
Trustee Wayne Osborn
Trustee Robert Murphy
Trustee Colette Zito

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

Mayor Liffland went over the history of the Baxter Green development and Trustee Murphy gave an update on the sewer project. Mayor Liffland opened the floor to comments. Carmine Carozza, a resident of Baxter Green, stated the residents were concerned with the roads being plowed in the winter. Mayor Liffland said the village could not go onto private property and plow because it would be considered giving a gift. Mr. Michael Hayes, village attorney, said according to the New York State Constitution the village cannot give a gift and according to the NYS Highway Law roads have to be up to specification before the village can accept them for dedication. Mayor Liffland commented he received questions from residents asking why the village crew could pick up garbage on the private roads but the village could not plow. Mr. Hayes said garbage was a different service – the village crew could drive on the roads but could not maintain them. There was discussion on the topic of plowing the Baxter Green roads and pulling the bond on the project.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to accept the Empire Power Tools & Repair quote of \$303.96 for a new chainsaw. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to renew the Network Support Retainer Agreement at a rate of \$440.00 per month. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. Trustee Murphy asked if the village would be receiving a \$1,000.00 credit. Trustee Durkin said there would be a \$1,000.00 balance and by the time the new contract was over (on or around September 2009) the Board should review the balance remaining so as not to carry too large a balance. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to allow the Community Resource Center to hang a banner for the Walk-A-Thon across Main Street. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to allow the Pawling High School's Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 17, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustee Murphy went over the Quarterly Budget Report (see attached).

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to approve the minutes from August 18, 2008.
SECONDED by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to approve the September vouchers in the amount of \$72,067.76. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. **MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to deduct the Stantec bill in the amount of \$241.85 regarding the sidewalk on Charles Colman Boulevard from the September voucher total. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to approve the September 22, 2008 pre-pays in the amount of \$5,431.15. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Osborn to approve the Metro North bills in the amount of \$3,113.55. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustees' Reports

Tracy Durkin

Trustee Durkin reported a meeting was held on September 29, 2008 to discuss zoning changes with the appointed committee and Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development representatives. She said there were a few changes made and Mr. Michael Hayes was going to review the document. Trustee Durkin said at the Town Board workshop the topic of the town contracting with the Dutchess County Sheriff's Department was discussed. Mayor Liffland said he spoke with representatives about the use of the Pawling Police Station as a substation and they were fine with it.

Wayne Osborn

Trustee Osborn said the Highway Department would be blacktopping Lakeside Drive on October 8th. He scheduled a Septic System Software demonstration for November 17, 2008.

Robert Murphy

Trustee Murphy stated he attended the Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee meeting and one topic was the long range plans for the COC and how to codify putting an event on within the village. He reported the Garbage Budget would be presented in November.

Colette Zito

Trustee Zito gave an update on the Electronic Waste Disposal Day. She said it would be advertised on the sign next to Key Bank, Superintendent Sciortino agreed to send out flyers within the schools and the High School principal said the item would go into the newsletter. Trustee Zito said in connection with the All Hazard Mitigation program

she would be sending out a questionnaire to key Community Leaders. She asked about any street light outages and reported that the issue with the street lights at the Village Green needed clarification. There was discussion. Trustee Zito gave an update on the trees at the Metro North lot. Trustee Zito said there was an environmental consulting firm in Poughkeepsie that could advise on the processes necessary with the roof repairs that would cost approximately \$200.00. The Board said it would be alright to use the firm if the cost was \$200.00 or something reasonably close to that – it was decided that Trustee Zito would follow up and contact the Board members with the cost information. Trustee Zito asked about putting solar panels on the roof – the Board discussed the topic. Trustee Zito said the court ceiling had a leak above it. She reported that sharing cleaning services with the town would not happen but she wanted to look into sharing other maintenance costs.

Mr. Michael Hayes, village attorney, gave updates on building department issues. Trustee Zito asked questions of the attorney regarding the situation at the Baxter Green development.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Liffland stated the Board was invited to the Supervisors and Mayors Holiday Party. He said he received a letter from Mizzentop School regarding Building Department fees and asked the Board to review it for discussion at the next meeting. Mayor Liffland reported the draft RFP for Shared Services was received. He said the village received a letter from the County announcing #3, 5 and 7 recyclables would be accepted. Mayor Liffland said a question was raised at a previous meeting asking the Board to change the MS4 grant to do a survey which he was not in favor of. The Board agreed to keep the grant as applied for.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

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

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

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Village Clerk