

DATE OF MEETING: December 1, 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 led by the Boy Scouts.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to close the regular session and go into the Public Hearing on the 2009 Garbage budget. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustee Murphy stated the 2009 Garbage budget was a total of \$150,845.00 which represented a 1.26% decrease from the previous year. He reported the per unit cost would be \$165.04. Trustee Murphy went over the budget lines (see attached). He opened the topic up to the public.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to close the Public Hearing and go back into the regular session. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Murphy to accept the 2009 Garbage budget as presented. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Liffland asked the Boy Scouts if they had any questions. Christian Milika asked the Board if the skate park would be fixed up. Mayor Liffland responded the skate park was owned by the town and the Town Board would be the ones to ask the question of. The Scout Leader asked the Mayor what his job entailed. Mayor Liffland said he handled day to day functions, made decisions regarding the Sheriff's department and the Board members each had tasks they needed to handle. He said the Board's biggest responsibility was to take care of the safety and welfare of the community and to be responsible with resident's taxes. There was discussion on what the Boy Scouts were learning, the elections, taxes, grants and gas prices.

Mr. Bart Clark, a village engineer, discussed possible projects for an MS4 program grant. There was lengthy discussion on private septic system inspections. The Board decided to discuss the topic further at the December 15, 2008 meeting.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to approve the November vouchers in the amount of \$120,211.27. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Murphy to approve the 2009 Metro North Parking Management Plan. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. Trustee Durkin asked if the fees were the same. Village Clerk Jennifer Osborn said nothing changed except the dates. Trustee Murphy

said the Clerk would be calling Metro North to inquire about raising next year's rates. Trustee Durkin asked if the Clerk had a ballpark figure of what was taken in for permits. The Clerk responded approximately \$46,000.00. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Historian's Report

Mr. Drew Nicholson asked the Board to complete their "homework" for the disaster response plan. Mr. Nicholson said he would be scheduling Julian Adams to come to the January 20, 2009 meeting to go over the Certified Local Government Program.

Trustees' Reports

Tracy Durkin

No report.

Wayne Osborn

Trustee Osborn reported the Highway crew was still picking up leaves.

Robert Murphy

Trustee Murphy said he would have a half year budget report ready for the next meeting.

Colette Zito

Trustee Zito said the \$60 invoice that was received in connection to the electronic waste day pertained to the pickup of monitors. She said she called Advanced Recovery Inc. and learned the Village Board approved a pickup for Village of Pawling electronics at the e-waste event on November 1st. Trustee Zito said there was a C-7 form filled out and someone authorized someone on the Board to sign the form. She said it was critical that the invoice was paid and it opened up a lot of issues concerning the DEC, potential audits and the tracking of the paperwork and manifest. She said in her research the completed C-7 form was something she was completely unaware of and the Village Board decided to sign it without her knowledge of what was taking place. Village Clerk Jennifer Osborn said there was no decision made; Bob Travers a representative from Advanced Recovery called and said the form needed to be filled out and she filled the form out. The Clerk said Mr. Travers did not explain anything to her other than to say that, as a village, the form needed to be filled out in order to drop off the monitors. Trustee Zito said the C-7 form.... The Clerk said she knew what the form was but Mr. Travers never said anything except if the village was going to drop off monitors then the form needed to be filled out. The Clerk said Mr. Travers never said anything about cost or anything else. Trustee Zito responded that was why it would it would have been a favorable step in her direction to phone her. The Clerk said she did not phone everybody over every little thing because if she did she would be on the phone constantly and the form came from the gentleman Trustee Zito hired who said it needed to be filled out in order to pick up the monitors. Trustee Zito said there were DEC laws as to why the form had to be filled out which was why the invoice was sent. The Clerk said Mr. Travers sent out the form on a Thursday and the pickup was on Friday. Trustee Murphy said it was done the day before the pickup. Trustee Zito said someone called Mr. Travers and asked him. The Clerk responded that was not correct –

Mr. Travers started the emails indicating the village needed to fill the form out and was not very nice about it. Trustee Zito asked why that information was being shared with her. The Clerk said she was sharing that because Mr. Travers was the one that initiated the whole thing – the village had to fill out the form or the monitors would not be picked up. Trustee Zito asked who. The Clerk said Bob Travers. Trustee Zito said she understood that but what she was saying that was not getting communicated effectively was that if the Village of Pawling was participating in the event, and the C-7 came up in discussion many times, that anyone who was not a household as the brochure stated – household electronics only – that the laws pertaining to a municipality or a local business are extremely different than what the Village Board agreed and sent a letter to DEC – it was a different ball of wax. She said to have a municipality or a business drop off at a quote/unquote only consumer household event, reason being... Trustee Murphy said the Board paid for it. The Clerk agreed and said this was what she did not understand because the Board paid \$500.00 to hold it... Trustee Zito said for consumers... The Clerk asked if she said it came from her home it would have been different. Trustee Zito said yes. The Clerk said she should have lied to Mr. Travers then. Trustee Zito said she would not tell anybody to lie. The Clerk said Mr. Travers should have said, "You know what Jennifer, if you are going through the village it is going to cost an extra \$5 – this is a DEC form, a C-7 and I want you to understand that as a municipality you will be paying \$5 per monitor" because she would have said you know what let me back off and see if there is a different way we can do this. The Clerk said Bob Travers did not tell her that and she doesn't call everyone on the Board in order to sign forms. Trustee Zito asked who decided a day or two before that all the village electronics would be included in it. The Clerk said she believed it was Trustee Murphy. Trustee Murphy said the Board talked about it for a month or two before the event. The Mayor said it was talked about. Trustee Zito said it was not discussed with her. The Clerk said she believed it was done at a meeting. Trustee Zito said it was not talked about with her because she would have said ring bells, C-7 form and that was why the local merchants were not able to be included because of the C-7 laws. Trustee Durkin said she did not remember ever discussing not including the local merchants. Trustee Zito said the Board did because it would have to go through the Chamber of Commerce. She stated she spoke with Peter Cris (and Mayor Liffland said he was surprised it was not on the Chamber of Commerce agenda) because it was a separate issue and Robert Travers would have to go and present to those municipalities the differing laws that govern their participation in the event. Trustee Zito said it was discussed and she could not get Robert Travers on the agenda because it was a bad time of year for the Chamber and they had to leave out the local merchants and it came up at a meeting because of the differing laws. Trustee Durkin said if she remembered correctly that the Chamber was brought into discussions in the sense of promoting the event. Trustee Durkin said she did not recall any discussion about additional charges for businesses. Trustee Zito said it was definitely in Robert Travers presentation. The Clerk said that was incorrect because she listened to the minutes twice and Robert Travers did say if it was a business you would have to fill out a C-7 form and that got you into a whole different thing with DEC but no price came up. Trustee Zito said that was what she was saying. The Clerk said no price came up and when she filled out the form she thought she was doing what the DEC wanted and giving an inventory and price was not discussed. The Clerk said she believed the Board asked 4 or 5 times, because once again she listened to the minutes twice, if there would be any extra cost. Trustee Zito said it was for households. The Clerk said it was not said that way it was just said there would be no extra cost. Trustee Zito said even the flyer had so many go arounds on why it had to say household. The Clerk said she found it a little offensive that Trustee Zito brought the topic up at a meeting to question who signed the form when

clearly the Clerk's name was on it. The Clerk said Trustee Zito could have brought it up to her in private and asked her... Trustee Zito said it was offensive because... The Clerk said it was offensive because she made it seem as if she signed something without going to the Board and as the Village Clerk she had the right to sign documents. The Clerk said if Trustee Zito wanted her to sign nothing from then on she would sign nothing without every single person's approval because Trustee Zito could have taken her aside and said, "You signed this form and I was wondering what happened with the background" rather than to bring it up at a meeting. The Clerk said she chose to do it in public. Trustee Zito said, "You know Jennifer you can take this in a private discussion how 'bout that". The Clerk said "I don't think so". Mayor Liffland intervened. Trustee Zito said, "You are so concerned about public and private – why don't I create what the private conversations are half the time with the public forum [inaudible]" The Clerk responded, "Do you see what I mean." Mayor Liffland said he wanted to resolve it. Trustee Zito said, "And excuse me..." Mayor Liffland asked to try and get through it. Trustee Zito said, "And excuse me do you see that the date on this is December 1 – this afternoon and I should go and not bring it to the Board." The Clerk said, "Maybe you should speak to me first. All I'm asking for is a little consideration." Trustee Zito said, "Like I get an awful lot from you." The Clerk responded, "Like I ever speak to you." Trustee Zito said, "Don't get me started Jennifer because I will make everything public." Mayor Liffland tried to interject. The Clerk said, "Thank you, she is supposed to be a Village Board member." The Treasurer said, "This is a meeting." Trustee Zito said, "I am tired of being attacked." The Clerk said, "Oh my God I never speak to the woman, oh my God." Mayor Liffland said, "Please, can we just get through this." Trustee Zito said "[the Clerk] you never speak or do anything that is true." The Clerk said, "Thank you, then I never do anything to you." Trustee Zito said, "You got that right – that is very accurate." Mayor Liffland said, "Excuse me, can we get through this please." The Clerk said, "Thank you this is what I put up with." Trustee Zito said, "This is what you put up with?" Mayor Liffland said, "Excuse me, we have this thing on the table how are we going to handle it?" Mayor Liffland said the Board was excited about the pickup day and he remembered going into the attic with Trustee Murphy and asking how the electronics would be taken to the pickup. Mayor Liffland said they discussed having the village crew bring the items down. He said he did not remember ever being told the village would be charged \$60 dollars. Trustee Zito agreed and said it was taxpayer dollars because the C-7 was completed. Mayor Liffland said he understood that. Trustee Zito said Trinity Pawling participated in the event – but not in the watershed and the truck went to the school to pick the items up. Mayor Liffland asked if they had to pay. Trustee Zito said they had to pay more. She said the monitors were actually discounted for the Village of Pawling. Trustee Murphy said the price went from \$10 per monitor to \$5 per monitor. Trustee Zito addressed the audience and said, "Excuse me Earl is there something you have to say." Mr. Earl Slocum, a village resident, said he would like to donate the \$60.00. Trustee Durkin asked if the manifest reflected the total amount of desktop monitors delivered to the site that day. Trustee Zito said it was just the village's items. Trustee Durkin asked if the village dropped off 10 desktops, 10 monitors, 10 printers, 2 faxes and 2 TVs. The Clerk said if the Board read the Advanced Recycling Disposal manifest the village dropped off 12 computer monitors. Trustee Durkin said that would be 2 TVs and 10 monitors. Trustee Durkin asked if that was what the village had. Trustee Murphy said that was about right. The Clerk said in her "friendly" conversations with Bob Travers he asked for an idea of what the village had. The Clerk asked Mr. Travers if it had to be exact and he said no just a brief inventory – whatever you think you have. The Clerk said she told Mr. Travers she had not been to the attic and he said not to worry about it – to just put down whatever she thought there was and to shoot the C-7 over to him because it was no big deal. Trustee Osborn asked if the town brought stuff

down. Trustee Zito said not to her knowledge. Trustee Osborn said they did. The Clerk said the town probably just said it was household waste. Trustee Osborn said the town brought down TVs. Trustee Zito asked who specifically he meant in the town. Trustee Osborn said the Town Transfer Station put TVs aside to bring down. Mayor Liffland said that was correct and they got away with it. Susan Macura, a reporter from the Pawling News Chronicle, stepped up to the dais and gave a \$60 donation to pay for the invoice. Mayor Liffland said that was the end of the subject. Trustee Durkin said the manifest was what the village brought down and the other manifests were supporting documents to the first manifest. Trustee Zito said that was what she was told.

Trustee Zito said in with the electronic waste she had submitted some receipts for refreshments for the Advanced Recovery crew. She said it was discussed that the Board supply refreshments and lunch. Trustee Zito said she submitted the receipts to ask for reimbursement of those dollars as well and hadn't heard anything. Trustee Murphy said they received the memo and he wanted to speak with her before the meeting but she didn't come in. He said all the Board members were perplexed that Trustee Zito said it was discussed at a meeting. He said he asked the Clerk to play the tape from the meeting and there was nothing indicated that the Board was to supply refreshments or food. Trustee Zito asked if Trustee Murphy was saying that Robert Travers as he presented to the Board did not say that. Trustee Murphy said he did not and in addition he did not think the Board legally could pay for it unless it was part of their costs. He said it was like a Trustee taking someone out to lunch and taxpayers' dollars could not be spent on that. He said it was not included in the bill and was not approved therefore it could not be paid. Trustee Murphy said the Board could not reimburse that - and he asked if that was the whole cost because the village was supposed to share the cost with the town. Trustee Zito said that was why she handed out the memo for review and asked the Board to contact her to discuss where they stood with it. Trustee Murphy said he did not think it was a matter of where he stood, he said he did not think legally the Board could pay for it. Trustee Murphy said he might be wrong and legally the Board could pay for it but typically the Board did not pay for things like that. He said usually if a Board member wanted to treat contractors or sub-contractors to a bite to eat it would come out of their own pocket. Trustee Durkin said if it was part of the service they should have added it into the cost. Trustee Zito said okay.

Trustee Zito said she put a memo together for the Board regarding the roof repairs, the chimney and her due diligence. She said the Board decided she should get a few price quotes for the repairs to the chimney but in doing her homework the unsupported height of the chimney, the current need of the repair issues of the chimney, its proximity to the parking lot and the village hall entrance she recommended having an engineer's specifications for the contractors although she realized the Board was looking at managing costs effectively. She said the necessary specifications and changing the height as recommended by Trustee Murphy was something she believed would be best spent dollars later on for the Village of Pawling because of the proximity of the chimney and the repairs that were more than just pointing or need of pointing needed an engineer's review or needed contractors that are specialists in chimney repair. She said she respectfully disagreed with the direction the Board gave her at the last meeting because she considered it irresponsible to just call contractors and allow them to put the specifications together due to the issue of the locations, height and the repair issues of the chimney. Trustee Murphy said Trustee Zito was talking about a 2 foot reduction in height of the existing [inaudible]. Trustee Zito said in her notes, when she looked back, and as the Board discussed, and they could listen to the tape again, Trustee Murphy had said

something about when the contractor comes to give the price quote on the repair of the chimney he said to reduce the size of the chimney by two feet. Trustee Murphy said he meant and thought he was referring to something Drew or the engineers said to take off the top two feet of brick and then have them repoint it, not reduce the chimney by two feet. Trustee Zito said, "Okay, here we go, technical again, I'm not an engineer, misunderstood even your direction – so how is that going to bring price quotes to the Board that is accurate. Point and example right there." Trustee Murphy responded, "Well I don't know, maybe you should have taken clearer notes, I mean I said..." Trustee Zito responded, "Excuse me..." Trustee Murphy said, "You should have taken clearer notes..." Trustee Zito stated, "I should have taken clearer notes." Trustee Murphy said, "Well, obviously your notes were wrong because you said..." Trustee Zito said, "Obviously I am not an engineer and it is out of the realm of my understanding of what you mean by taking a chimney down two feet." Trustee Murphy said, "You take it down two feet and then rebuild it up two feet." Trustee Zito said, "Clear to you maybe that is what you do for a living." Trustee Murphy said, "I don't repoint chimneys I paint houses." Trustee Zito said, "Okay and I don't repoint chimneys either – point and fact right there." Trustee Murphy asked how the Board felt about engaging an engineer's services to put together an RFP for replacing some slate. Trustee Zito said before the Board even gets to that point because she believed there needed to be a meeting and common ground – even if the cost was, and she didn't know what the cost would be – what if they had the Building Inspector weigh in on the topic to help clarify whether or not there is that much need for an engineer. She said another option would be to ensure that the specialists or contractors that do give price quotes, at minimum, have the engineer go through the specs. She said if the Board left it to the contractors it would be an apple to an orange. She said perhaps the Board would save money by putting it through an engineer review rather than having an engineer write the specs. Trustee Zito said if it turned out as with other RFPs if the Board is unable to take the low bid because that was what the Board was governed to do – there are reference checks on who the Board takes, why the Board might pay a little more for this contractor because that contractor was addressing other repair issues that the other does not – some sort of a meeting ground of where we know what contractor and what repairs are necessary for the chimney and the Board knows it has spent its dollars wisely - not overspent and not under spent but did our homework. Mayor Liffland asked what the procurement policy was in reference to bidding. Trustee Murphy said the Board had to get written quotes but it would fall below a formal RFP. Trustee Durkin said she thought Trustee Zito was misunderstanding the intent of what the Board was trying to do. She said the Board wanted her to talk to different roofers who would tell the Board different things and if at that point it was apples to oranges the Board would get another professional opinion. Trustee Durkin said she would hesitate to jump to a full blown RFP with the engineer involved until the Board had more facts. She said she trusted contractors to know what they were talking about because most of them have given her very sound advice in the past personally but also when working on things for the village. Trustee Durkin said that advice comes at no cost other than the Trustee's time, which was valuable, but it would bring points to light that had not been considered before. She said if there were extremely varied opinions then the Board would know to bring someone else in but if consistent opinions were received then you would ask them for formal quotes because it would be the same approach. Trustee Durkin said the contractors would give Trustee Zito a lot of information which was a fairly inexpensive way to get a professional opinion. Trustee Zito said she did not take offense she was just responding to what she considered to be the approach and the direction to be irresponsible to not have at minimum an engineer review. She said she still did not know what it would cost to have an engineer write the specs because of the fact of the state of affairs of the repairs as she

stated – the height, the location, the structure of it. Trustee Durkin asked if she spoke with any contractors. Trustee Zito responded she had. Trustee Durkin asked what they had said. Trustee Zito said she had not had them out for a site visit –the ones she had been researching that were specialists in chimneys as an option to consider as opposed to a masonry - but again she did not know what it would cost to have an engineer put the specs together and she still did not understand the direction of not allowing an engineer when many other RFPs that come through the Board for consideration have that professional review. She said for the fact that the Board wanted to save a few pennies now to potentially open up the village to a liability issue later if the repair on that chimney was not 100% what it needs to be and what is the cost of an engineer's review. Mayor Liffland said the Board would not know the cost of an engineer's review until the question was asked of the engineer. Mayor Liffland said the procedure was to get three to five contractors to submit quotes. He said Trustee Zito's point was well taken to have an engineer come and make sure the village was getting what it was paying for but that came back to the trust in the contractor the Board would hire and the Board could get sued no matter what. He said there were well qualified contractors in Pawling that could give Trustee Zito a good honest review on the chimney and the slate because the Board was running out of time. Trustee Zito said the Board was still not interested in any engineer review. Mayor Liffland said it was not that they weren't interested but it was more what would it cost. He said if Trustee Zito wanted to ask the engineer what the RFP would cost... Trustee Zito said even if it was just for the chimney given the location of it. Mayor Liffland said she could have saved a lot of the discussion just by asking Zarecki and Associates how much it would cost for an RFP for the chimney and then she would come with the prepared cost. Trustee Zito said she did speak with Curt Johnson of the engineering firm and he asked if it was approved by the Village Board for him to do the work. Mayor Liffland asked if he gave any cost. Trustee Zito said Mr. Johnson stopped discussing it because the Mayor did not approve him becoming involved. Trustee Durkin asked if he gave her a ballpark figure. Trustee Zito said she did not get that far because somewhere in the beginning of the conversation it was asked if the Mayor approved. Mayor Liffland said it was not really discussed, all that was discussed was getting the three quotes to get the job done before more damage was done. Trustee Zito said that in getting price quotes for the Baxter Green Light project some contractors would not bid without engineer specs. Mayor Liffland said then they would not bid. Trustee Zito said she lost contractors because there were no specs. Trustee Murphy asked what an engineer would be able to tell a roofer about replacing slate tiles or putting trip caps on a roof. Trustee Zito said she was speaking specifically about the chimney as being the issue. Trustee Murphy asked what would happen if the engineers came up with specifications and then a mason came out and said the engineer was wrong. Trustee Zito asked what Trustee Murphy would lean towards doing – take the mason or the engineer? Trustee Murphy said he would have to listen to each argument. Trustee Durkin said an experienced mason was a compelling professional and probably knows more about chimneys than the average engineer. Trustee Durkin said it would speed up the process to get the contractors in first and then to feel comfortable have the engineer review it afterwards. Trustee Zito said Mr. Johnson already took pictures of the chimney and was already there for a site inspection for the flat portion of the roof. Trustee Durkin said getting quotes from professionals was designed to speed up the process because RFPs were inherently time consuming. Trustee Zito asked for a spec sheet from the engineer that would go to the contractor. Trustee Durkin said it was a possibility but then anyone who would bid on the job would have to review the spec sheet and she thought it was more illuminating to have the contractors say what they would do based on their experience and then have the engineers review it. Trustee Zito said that was exactly what

she said as a potential alternative for a meeting of the minds. Trustee Durkin said Trustee Zito was trying to put the engineer first. Trustee Zito said she would prefer that because she thought it was the responsible first step but if the Board did not prefer that she was looking for alternative agreements. She said if the Board did not prefer the step that she believed was the first step the Board should take an engineer review as a second step, reference checks on all contractors... Trustee Durkin said that would be done anyway and that was pointless to list because to list that as something to be done as unique was not correct. Trustee Zito said she was not saying that was unique but she was saying the alternative was to ensure all the other steps took place. Trustee Durkin apologized. Mayor Liffland said he had the same thing done at his house. Trustee Zito said this was a municipality and... Mayor Liffland said he understood that but the contractor came out, did his job and everything was fine. Trustee Zito said Mayor Liffland did not have the same traffic going through his house as in a municipal building. Trustee Durkin asked if she knew how many kids he had. Trustee Zito said if the Board was going to disagree she respectfully requested that the Mayor assign the task to another Board member since everyone there was on the same page but her and since any alternative she proposed was not acceptable. She said, "Let's have Bob Murphy do it since he understands the 2 feet up, down, around. That was another alternative." Mayor Liffland asked if Trustee Zito wanted to resign as Liaison for Buildings. Trustee Zito said she was saying maybe the Mayor could reconsider who he assigned these findings of this portion of taking care of this issue. Mayor Liffland asked again if Trustee Zito wanted to resign taking care of the buildings. Trustee Zito said she was not saying that she wanted to resign, she said since there was a full majority to take steps that she considered to be irresponsible perhaps one of the Board members who considered those steps to be responsible could stand up and take those actions him or herself. Trustee Murphy said he took offense that she was saying the Board was acting irresponsibly since it was typically how projects were handled. He said it was typically how small projects were done. Trustee Zito said a small project like the Baxter Green street light did have an engineer's spec sheet in the end. Trustee Murphy said that was because they were dealing with trenches and a utility while this was a roof repair and a chimney repair. Trustee Zito said and public safety because of the proximity of the chimney to the entrance of the building. Trustee Murphy asked how the engineer would protect the public safety. Trustee Zito said they would be sure all bases were covered when the repairs were conducted. Mayor Liffland said Trustee Zito also could do that. Trustee Murphy asked what the engineer was going to tell the Board that they didn't already know as far as protecting people. Trustee Zito said apparently the Board believed the engineer had no ... Mayor Liffland said if she wanted safety the entrance way would be scaffolded with protection boards. He said the contractor would need to protect the building and the safety of the people which came back to the Board being responsible in that the contractor does that. Mayor Liffland said he was hearing that the biggest points were the safety issues so it should be included. Trustee Zito asked what if she forgot one of those points. Mayor Liffland said she would not forget and she was not giving herself enough credit. Trustee Zito said it was a lot of responsibility because if she did not put in a portion of a line item to be quoted which was a safety issue... Mayor Liffland said everything was a lot of responsibility and when she speaks with contractors she should ask them how they were going to handle safety issues and they should tell her what they would do. Mayor Liffland said she was on the right track but she was not taking the next step. He said Trustee Zito seemed to be afraid she was going to get blamed for something but nobody would blame her for anything so she should forget that because the Board was there to work together. Mayor Liffland said nobody wanted to see anyone get hurt so just make sure the contractor puts up a scaffold and protects the entrance and if she was unsure the Board would work with her and would not

throw her under the bus. Trustee Zito said she did not know why the Mayor was inferring that because it was just her approach to being responsible. Mayor Liffland said he was hearing that. Trustee Zito said because they disagreed on what she considered a responsible action plan versus what the majority of the Board was directing... Mayor Liffland said the Board doesn't always agree but when there was a majority you had to move on. Trustee Zito said when public safety came in to play she felt it was her obligation to try to communicate one more time effectively in writing and at the meeting that the necessary action plan to remedy the issue would be what she wrote down. Mayor Liffland said he thought she could handle the safety issue by talking to the contractors and telling them that the safety of the public was stressed and that they needed to protect the entranceway. Trustee Zito asked if she should have the contractors come out and decide what repairs were necessary for the chimney. Mayor Liffland said that was correct and she would not go wrong because he thought she would get an honest answer. Trustee Zito asked if the Building Inspector had to sign off on the work. Mayor Liffland said he did not know. Trustee Murphy said she should check. Mayor Liffland said Trustee Zito could ask the Building Inspector to inspect the work. Trustee Zito said it would not be an engineer cost but it could be another level of checking the work. Mayor Liffland said she was creating another level of inspection and saving taxpayer money. Trustee Zito said that was right and like she said it did not have to be an engineer but maybe an engineer review or maybe Larry Tomasso for an extra level of certification to address public health and safety. Mayor Liffland said if she wanted him to meet with her and the contractors he would be happy to do that. Trustee Zito said she would like that and would make her feel much better because when the contractors come they question her as though she has the knowledge of a contractor such as her misunderstanding Trustee Murphy with the cap on or cap off.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Liffland said he received a request for a Stop sign on Memorial Avenue and East Main Street on East Main Street because people said it was hard to get out of Memorial Avenue. There was discussion on the topic. The Board decided to wait for the Village Green to go in and discuss the idea at a later date. Mayor Liffland reminded everyone the tree lighting was on Friday.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Village Clerk