Village of Hammondsport
August 12, 2014
Meeting Minutes

The Village of Hammondsport Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on
Tuesday August 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., 18 Water Street, Hammondsport, NY.

PRESENT:  Mayor Emery L. Cummings, Jr.
Trustee Bruce White
Trustee Anne Green
Trustee Bee Keck
Trustee Stella Pulver
Police Sergeant Ryan Sincerbox
DPW Superintendent Randy Hoad
Kelly Harris

OTHERS PRESENT:  Debra Robbins, William Olmstead, Jim Commissio, John Fry, Jack Young, Ron
Leonard, Pam Aini, Helen Monroy, Joe Luppino and Lance Locey

BUSINESS MEETING

Wine Country Boat Classic representatives came to the meeting to get support from the Village
when they meet with the Town Board on issues that happened this year at the boat show.
They have been doing the boat show for 30 years and want to continue to have it held in
Hammondsport. The boat show brings in revenue for Hammondsport and they give back to the
area schools and scouts. Emery will put a letter together of support from the Village Board.

Minutes:  Trustee Green noted a correction on the July min. that Trustee Pulver did not second
a motion to approve min. It was seconded by Trustee Keck. On motion of Trustee Pulver and
seconded by Trustee Keck and carried, all voting Aye to approve the July 8, 2014 meeting
minutes.

Abstract:  On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried, all voting
Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract 6,
claim #144-174 totaling $13,645.97 and Water Fund Abstract 6, claim #70-84 totaling
$5,576.63

Capital Projects Abstract:  On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Keck and
carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the
Capital Projects Abstract 3, Claim #8-9, totaling $200,482.40

Department Reports
Police: Police Sergeant Sincerbox submitted a written report of the Police Department for July 2014. Activities included 39 calls for service, 0 criminal complaints, 0 criminal complaint closed, 4 traffic stops, 1 warning issued, 3 traffic tickets issued, 52 parking tickets issued.

DPW/Water: DPW Superintendent Hoad submitted a written report on the Water and Street Departments for the month of July. Water Department activities included regular pump house maintenance, water samples, install new water meters, remove two pumps, and repair 6” water main. Street Department activities included Lake and Mechanic Street projects, cleaning catch basins, sweeping streets, mowing, patch streets, replace street signs, trim trees and pressure wash and seal water plant and beach.

Finance: Clerk-Treasurer gave a written report of the Clerk’s Office for the past month. Activities included a list of Building permit Applications, attended CPR First Aid certification class, welcome letter, attended Harvest Festival meetings, water late notices, letters for park use, condo project, working on adding Capital Projects to accounting, and copied changes to Employee Policy for Full-time Employees. How does the board want to proceed with posting notices on the bulletin board in Village Square? Trustee Green suggested two copies of notices be made so the information is on both sides and no private sales on bulletin board. The board also needs to be purged more often.

Parks: Trustee Keck reported on the Town of Urbana Parks Advisory Committee. The Committee continues to work on the trail from Curtis Park to the Curtis Museum. Other items being considered are Trevor Park would like to see the bathrooms cleaned Mon., Thurs., Fri., and twice on Sat. if they can’t do a Sunday. Lance Locye volunteered to make a donation to help with the expense of cleaning the bathrooms more often. Trustee Keck will get together with Lance Locye on the donation. Barb Falvey did a painting of what the Curtis Park could look like and it is out at the Town Hall. They are still looking at bridges. The school informally accepted the exchange of land. Town of Urbana Attorney Ryan is writing an ordinance on tractor trailer parking by Champlain Beach. Mayor Cummings reminded Trustee Keck the school has lights the Park Committee can use.

Trustee Pulver made a motion seconded by Trustee Green and carried, all voting Aye to accept cleaning the bathrooms more often. The parks close Labor Day.

KWIC: Trustee Green reported on KWIC activities. The 2014 budget has been revised at the half year mark. It appears that the total due from each municipality in 2014 is $5200 and since we have paid $4625 we will be billed only $575 more. The draft, tentative budget amount for each municipality will be $5000.

Zoning Officer’s Report: Brett Llewellyn from Realty USA applied for a variance to place signage on condo project fence and Krog Corp. applied for a Zoning Permit for their condo project. The current one has expired. Enforcement Issues: dumpsters, Ormand/Curtiss property compliant,
Southwick—property maintenance concerns, George Powell—received two complaints on property maintenance and he needs a building permit for porch, Sananas—stop work order till building permit issued, complaints regarding tent displaying bicycles for rent. Mr. Magee has concern on painting murals on building in the village business district. He is checking with Atty. Reed on the legality of it. Trustee Green has a problem with murals because the walls are private property and wanted to know if the murals would be themed and who is going to approve what the murals would look like. Helen Monroy said part of the money would come from the Palettes and 1/3 by the building owner. The Murals are painted on sign board and attached to the brick and maintained by the building owner. The pharmacy wants to add a mural that is of the old soda fountain that used to be in the pharmacy. SHPO has approved murals. Trustee Green states they will have to have a moratorium before approval and Atty. Reed has to approve. The Board will have to see who it falls on, if it’s Planning Board or Zoning Board and if it is legal or not. Trustee Green suggested tabling it for the agenda for next month.

Building and Watershed Inspector Reports for July not received.
Beautification Committee: No Report

Trustee White made a motion seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye to accept the Department Reports.

OLD BUSINESS

Curtiss Museum Water Extension: DPW Superintendent Hoad reported that the project is still out to bid. Labella is the engineer. A concern is a 3” duct is a special order as opposed to 4” which is used and a 2” blow off the village would have to pay for that would be expensive so water does not become stagnate. The water extension from the schools soccer field to Champlain Beach would have to be blown quite frequently because two people said they will not hook-up to the water. Mayor Cummings stated it would not be fair for the rest of the Village people to pay for people who won’t use the hook up and pay for the blow off expenses.

Dumpsters: One of the remaining enclosures matters was resolved last week in court and is now compliant. The court has indicated that we must resolve the remaining matters on or before 8/11/14 or a summons will be issued from the bench. Letters to that effect have been sent to the responsible parties.

Lake Street Project: Work is moving along. Mechanic to Lake is done, just needs graded. Drainage is in.

Recycling: Trustee Keck and Deb Robbins are taking care of the recycling in the park for now.

NEW BUSINESS

Applications:
Banner: On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried all voting Aye to allow a banner be put up for the Palette Auction from 8-18-2014 to 9-6-2014.

On motion of Trustee White and seconded by trustee Keck and carried all voting Aye to allow a banner to be put up for Watkins on 9/6/2014 to 9/12/2014. The Board will allow banners to be put up for events outside of the Village only if there is not a local Village event banner to be put up.

Park Use: On motion of Trustee Keck and seconded by Trustee White and carried all voting Aye pending insurance the Village Board does hereby approve the Application for Park Use for Genundowa Concert with Joseph Firecrow by Pallets of Keuka. The application for Street Party on Sept. 27 is tabled for more information until the next Board Meeting.

Parade Permit: On motion by Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Green and carried all voting Aye to approve the Parade Permit submitted by the HCS for Homecoming Parade for the High School on October 3 at 5:30 p.m.

Use of Meeting Room at Village Office: On motion by Trustee White and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Aye for Storytelling Festival professionals to use the conference room 9/19/2014 and 9/20/2014.

Trustee Green has a concern about how much legal expense has been used so far this year and she will check with Clerk Martuscello.
The Village has concerns for Garrett Landing LLC condo project exposed concretes structural integrity of the foundation and is interested in hiring LaBella engineer firm for a structural inspection to be reimbursed by the builder.

Coldbrook Bridge Replacement- DPW Superintendent Hoad stated there are no issues. The DOT will have one lane open lane during replacement to starting Spring 2015.

DOT Resolutions: HC140, Utility Work Agreement granting the State to perform work for the Municipality an authorizing a municipal official to enter into agreements with the State. Motion by Trustee White and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Aye to grant New York State DOT authority to perform work for the Village of Hammondsport. (Resolution at end of minutes)
Motion by Trustee White and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Aye to authorize Mayor Cummings to execute any and all agreements with the NYSDOT regarding construction project NYS route 54A over Cold Brook bridge replacement. (Resolution at end of minutes)

A letter from the State of New York dated July 21, 2014 will be put on the agenda next month for further investigation.
CORRESPONDENCE

The board commented on the letter from Sheriff Cole on increasing the size of drug enforcement and a survey being done for the public and the board is going to see if they could get a poster to put on bulletin boards and the Village will put questions and a contact in the Sept. newsletter.

Letter from Crouse on water bill late fee - by law the late fee cannot be waived and if they do not pay it then it will be releveon the taxes for the Town.

Letter from Chalk on Property Maintenance on Wheeler Avenue - this is a Bob Magee matter.

Letter from Orman - Orman and Curtiss matter is a civil concern and Bob Magee is monitoring the situation and is discussing it with Atty. Reed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Luppino brought up the proposal in June for a one way parking on Thorpe Avenue. The Board will continue to review it but will not change it for now.

Ron Leonard encouraged the Board to communicate with the Chamber on events for advertising. There has been a lot of conversation regarding the Watkins banner.

Trustee Green brought up there is no public notice of the Village meetings in the local paper. Also, Sep. 10 is the Town of Urbana Democratic Caucus.

Mayor Cummings commented that the new Village signs have not been approved yet.

Motion made by Trustee Pulver to adjourn meeting and seconded by Trustee White. Motion made by Trustee Keck to reconvene and seconded by Trustee Pulver for Pamela Aini to speak on the Steuben Prevention Coalition for drug free community.

Pam Aini spoke at the meeting regarding what the Steuben Prevention Coalition program is about and on questions for the public to be answered on drug and alcohol use by under age kids. They are putting out brochures for people and the Board agreed to put the information in the Sept. newsletter.

With no further business, Trustee Keck made a motion seconded by Trustee Pulver to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Harris