

Village of Hammondsport
June 9, 2015
Meeting Minutes

The Village of Hammondsport Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on Tuesday June 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., 18 Water Street, Hammondsport, NY.

PRESENT: Mayor Emery L. Cummings, Jr.
Trustee Stella Pulver
Trustee David Luppino
Trustee Anne Green
Trustee Bee Keck
Clerk-Treasurer Lela Martuscello
DPW Superintendent Ray Hawley
Water Plant Operator Chris McConnell
Police Sergeant Ryan Sincerbox

OTHERS PRESENT: Debra Robbins, Suzanne Geisz, John Jensen, T. Bretherton, K. Becker, Mackenzie Dr, Mary Orman, Richard Orman, Jeff Thompson, Logan Rosekrans, Ana Bendi, Mary Jo Savino.

BUSINESS MEETING

Minutes: On motion of Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried, all voting Aye to approve the May 12, 2015 meeting minutes.

Abstract: On motion of Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract #4, claim #85-115 totaling \$32,327.61 and Water Fund Abstract #4, claim #34-48 totaling \$19,517.36.

Department Reports

Police: Police Sergeant Sincerbox submitted a written report of the Police Department for May 2015. Activities included 22 calls for service, 0 criminal complaints, 0 criminal complaints closed, 8 traffic stops, 0 warnings issued, 9 traffic tickets issued, and 10 parking tickets issued. Sergeant Sincerbox brought up the fatal accident that occurred at the Route 54 bridge construction site. Mayor Cummings spoke with the DOT in Hornell and the construction will be on hold until an investigation is completed.

DPW/Water: DPW Superintendent Hawley submitted a written report on the Street Department for the month of May. The Street Department swept streets, put up signs, truck to auction, participated in Love My Parks Day, mowed parks, patched streets, placed recycling bins in parks, began brush pick-up.

Trash pick-up day went well on June 8. Six loads were taken to the landfill.

Water Plant Operator Chris McConnell reported on the Water Department for the month of May. Water Department work included pump house maintenance, repairs at pump house, water turn-ons, water meeting, flushed hydrants, UFPO's, turned valves, Museum Project, water meeting, read meters, and meter inspections.

Finance: Clerk Martuscello submitted a written report of the Clerk's Office. Activities included closed books for May, FOIL request, water billing, policies review, Organized filing, planning board subdivision, new water accounts – Urbana District, and tax cap audit.

Information was handed out from the Urbana Clerk regarding dog waste bag receptacles. The one on the garbage can in Pulteney Park is gone and the Town of Urbana is asking that one be placed at Champlin Beach. Even though there are no dogs allowed in the parks, people do walk their dogs and the bags do get used. Trustee Luppino will look into cost and what is needed.

Trustee Luppino made a motion seconded by Trustee Pulver and all voting Aye to refrain from making a decision on the Dog waste receptacles until the July meeting.

Parks: Trustee Luppino purchased sanitary napkin receptacles for the woman's bathroom and Ray installed them. He is looking into baby changing stations and acrylic mirrors.

Town of Urbana empties the trash cans and the bathrooms open when life guards begin.

KWIC: Trustee Green reported that the KWIC Policies and Procedures are still being worked on and will possibly be adopted at the June 22nd meeting in Branchport.

Zoning Officer's report noted as being received.

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

Beautification Committee: No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Local Law, Registration of Rental Housing: The initial step should be to locate and list all rental properties in the village. Trustee Luppino has an issue with Section #7, Penalties for Violations. Mayor Cummings will ask Building Inspector, Mike Slowinski to attend the July 14 board meeting to answer questions.

Violence in the Workplace Training: The Village Board will view the training video at 5:45 p.m. before the July 14 board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Grant Resolution for Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce NYS Main Street Grant Application:

Trustee Green made a motion seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye, WHEREAS, the Village of Hammondsport supports the efforts of the Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce to help business owners within targeted areas to improve facades, renovate buildings, and enhance the streetscape.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board for the Village of Hammondsport does hereby support the efforts of the Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Village Board for the Village of Hammondsport will review any request made by the Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce on a need by need basis, beginning on the date of the resolution.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – Aye
Trustee Pulver – Aye
Trustee Green – Aye
Trustee Keck – Aye
Trustee Luppino – Aye

Motion Carried

Policy Review: The Board reviewed the Bidding Policy, Budget Policy, Cell Phone Policy, Computer/Internet Policy, Credit Card Policy, and Drug and Alcohol Policy. Village Water Plant Operator needs to be added to the Credit Card Policy and Cell Phone Policy.

Parade Permit: On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Green and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Parade Permit submitted by Citizen Hose Company/Hammondsport Fire Department for a parade on Saturday July 4 at 4:30 p.m.

Banner Permits: On motion of Trustee Luppino and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Banner Permit submitted by Sam Pennise, Relay for Life for the Russell Pennise Memorial Fishing Derby held July 11 and 12.

On motion of Trustee Keck and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Aye to approve the Park Use Permit for Liberty Park and Banner Permit for Hammondsport Community Vacation Bible School submitted by Onalee Clark on June 29 to July 3.

Lance Locey, Keuka Water Sports, submitted a Banner Permit but did not list a specific event. The board discussed the intent of a banner is to advertise for an event and list specific dates. However, the village does not have a policy for hanging banners.

Trustee Luppino made a motion seconded by Trustee Keck to deny the Banner Application submitted by Lance Locey for a Keuka Water Sports Banner because no event is listed on the application.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – Aye
Trustee Pulver – Aye
Trustee Green – Aye
Trustee Keck – Aye
Trustee Luppino – Aye

Motion Carried

Mayor Cummings will look into a policy for hanging banners in the village.

PERMA Insurance: On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried, all voting Aye to approve the PERMA Insurance renewal for July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 – Aye 0 – Nay

Champlin Beach Phone Bill: Trustee Keck was under the assumption that according to an agreement with the Town of Urbana from 2000 the Town pays for the phone at Champlin Beach. The Village has always paid for the phone at Champlin during the summer months and the Town of Urbana pays for the phone at Depot Park. Trustee Luppino, Parks Commissioner, will talk with Town Supervisor Webster and Councilperson Stull about the phone at Champlin Beach and the makeup of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

The Village Board would like to follow-up with the DPW Superintendent and Water Plant Operator to see how the jobs are going since the board decided to divide the jobs between two employees. Trustee Green and Mayor Cummings will meet with Ray Hawley and Chris McConnell individually Monday June 22 and Tuesday June 23 at noon.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Village received a letter from Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce President, Ken Corey requesting that the bench in front of the Chamber Office be permanently relocated. He states that Gary Cook sits on the bench during the day and “accosts” people as they walk by and do not stop in the Visitor center as a result.

Trustee Luppino made a motion seconded by Trustee Keck to have the bench in front of the Hammondsport Chamber Visitor Center relocated.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – Nay
Trustee Pulver – Aye
Trustee Green – Nay
Trustee Keck – Aye
Trustee Luppino – Aye

Motion Carried

Hammondsport Little League put in a new septic waste system and is asking if the Village Water Department can pump the waste and take it to Bath like they do for the Hammondsport School. The Village will bill them for the cost of the gallons pumped.

On motion of Trustee Keck and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried all voting Aye to allow the Village Water Pump Truck to pump waste water from the Little League septic and deliver to Bath.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 – Aye 0 – Nay

The basketball courts at Grape Street Park were discussed. It was proposed to switch the basketball half court and skate park locations to allow for a full court for basketball. The board will look into costs and discuss at the July meeting.

Trustee Green made a motion seconded by Trustee Keck and carried all voting Aye, to reimburse Trustee Luppino for the cost of the Sanitary Napkin receptacles purchased for Champlin Beach bathrooms.

Mary Jo Savino addressed the board with her new business Keuka Water Taxi. She will transport people, pets, provisions and equipment on and along Keuka Lake via a Pontoon boat.

Dr. Richard Orman, 12 Shethar Street, addressed the board with his concerns with property maintenance in the village. He would like to see the village board engage in a serious program for addressing property maintenance and come up with a policy to clean up the village as he thinks there are several properties that are need of cleaning up.

With no further business, Trustee Green made a motion seconded by Trustee Luppino to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lela Martuscello, Clerk-Treasurer