

Village of Hammondsport
March 10, 2015
Meeting Minutes

The Village of Hammondsport Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on Tuesday March 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., 18 Water Street, Hammondsport, NY.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Debra Robbins, David Luppino, Carol Malone

BUSINESS MEETING

Minutes: On motion of Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried, all voting Aye to approve the February 10 and 26, 2015 meeting minutes.

Abstract: On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee White and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract #16, claim #390-399 totaling \$3,371.81 and Water Fund Abstract #16, claim #180-185 totaling \$2760.43.

On motion of Trustee White and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried, all voting Aye, RESOLVED, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract #1, claim #1-10 totaling \$9,253.29 and Water Fund Abstract #1, claim #1-2 totaling \$84.54.

Department Reports

Police: Police Sergeant Sincerbox submitted a written report of the Police Department for February 2015. Activities included 21 calls for service, 2 criminal complaints, 2 criminal complaints closed, 1 Adult Criminal Arrest, 2 traffic stops, 1 warning issued, 2 traffic tickets issued, 10 parking tickets issued.

DPW/Water: DPW Superintendent Hawley submitted a written report on the Street Departments for the month of December. The Street Department work included plowed and salted streets several times, several snow removals, cleared and salted sidewalks, cleaned intersections of snow, picked up Christmas trees, cleaned trucks, worked on trailer, worked on sander, worked on backhoe, and cleaned shop.

Water Plant Operator Chris McConnell reported on the Water Department for the month of February. Water Department work included pump house maintenance, annual water quality report, water meetings, water samples including State samples, thawed water lines, cleaned pump house, fixed leak on Shethar Street, worked on pump house, looked for water leaks, frozen water meter repairs.

The Street Department obtained three quotes for trimming trees this spring.

Beers Tree Service: \$1150 per day

Patone: \$900 per day

Covil Tree Service: \$880 per day

The board agreed to use Covil Tree Service for this year's tree trimming.

The Board discussed a NYS Department of Health Report/Annual Sanitary Survey – 2014. Chris McConnell, Operator in Charge will reply to the comments on the inspection. The Water Department is developing a plan for a generator and fixing the Beers Hill storage tank, also Ray Hawley and Chris McConnell will become certified as Grade D water system operators.

Trash pick-up will be June 8 and brush pick-up will begin May 18 and continue the first and third Fridays of the month throughout the summer and fall.

Finance: Clerk-Treasurer gave a written report of the Clerk's Office for the past month. Activities included closed February books, election legal and absentee ballots, water bills, tax bills, Newsletter, Steuben County Efficiency Plan, BAN pay-off, Bond issue, ad for maintenance worker, calls for snow and ice clearing of sidewalks, met with Sharp Notions Website proposal. On motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee Keck and carried all voting Aye, RESOLVED that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following Budget Transfers:

Debit	A1325.1	458.90	(Clerks Payroll 13 taken from .4)
Credit	A1325.2	300.00	
	A1325.41	22.10	
	A1325.42	136.80	

Debit	A1210.4	79.73	
Credit	A1210.1	79.73	(Mayor)

Debit	A1620.2	2.60	
	A1620.4	176.35	
	A1620.41	2.60	
Credit	A1320.4	181.55	(Auditor)

Debit	A1620.45	100.00	
Credit	A1620.46	100.00	(Computer)

Debit	A3120.4	75.59	
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Credit A3120.11 75.59 (Part-time payroll)

Debit F8320.4 3200

Credit F8320.4 3200 (2 payrolls)

Debit F8330.4 379.50

Credit F8330.2 379.50 (Lab)

Randy's Health Insurance

January 1241.41

February 1241.41

March 1241.41

Total 3725.73

Transfer from Employee Reserve or take from A9950.93 before transfer 5000 to reserve to F9060.8 (Health Insurance.)

Transfer to Reserves

A9950.9 Equipment 10,000

A9950.92 Street 20,000

A9950.93 Employee 5,000

A9950.94 Police 3,000

F9950.9 Water 30,000

Parks: Trustee Keck reported that she missed the Curtiss Park meeting and recycling bins are in Recycling: Recycling Grant is due March 20.

KWIC/KLOC Report: Trustee Green reported that a KLOC meeting was held on February 23. \$9707.24 was received from FEMA for reimbursement for work done on the outlet due to June 2014 flooding. Current officer positions and bookkeeper remain for 2015. Easement issues with Penn Yan Marine Property and the Iverson Project were discussed and will be approved after a legal review. Hunt Engineering will attend the March meeting to discuss these issues. KWIC met following the KLOC meeting. Officers remain for 2015. The Yates County Soil and Water remains as contract manager. LULA Training session will be held April 29; Planning and Zoning Board members are encouraged to attend.

Zoning Officer's report and Building and Watershed reports noted as being received.

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

Beautification Committee: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Curtiss Museum Water Extension: Water Treatment Plant Operator McConnell reported that it has been too cold to open up the lines.

Dumpsters: The manager of Quik Shoppe at corner of Lake and Main Streets was served an appearance ticket. She showed up in court on March 9 and will put in the dumpster screening as soon as the ground thaws.

NEW BUSINESS

Banner Applications: Watkins Glen International submitted 3 applications to hang banners. Trustee Keck asked a question as to why the village wants to put up Watkins Glen banners when they already have thousands of people attending their events at the Glen. Mayor Cummings stated as discussed before, all Hammondsport and local events take priority.

Trustee Green brought up the point that maybe there is space at the race track for a Hammondsport event banner. The Clerk will ask the contact person when she responds to the banner application.

Trustee Green made a motion seconded by Trustee Pulver to approve the three Banner Applications submitted by Watkins Glen International to hang a banner on and around the following dates with the understanding that Hammondsport event banners take priority:

Sabien's Six Hours of the Glen, June 25, 2015

Finger Lakes Wine Festival, July 10, 2015

Cheez-it 355 at the Glen, August 6, 2015

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

Motion Carried

Snow and Ice Removal: The board discussed snow and ice removal on sidewalks in the Village. The Village code states that "Every person owning real property bordering any public street in the Village of Hammondsport shall be responsible for clearing a path at least two (2) feet wide along the sidewalk areas adjacent thereto within twenty-four (24) hours of the end of the snowfall." The Superintendent of Public works can without notice to the property owner remove the snow and direct the clerk to bill the owner. The code does not give a set amount to charge the property owner for this. The Clerk gathered information and fees from other municipalities. The Board could add this fee to the Fee Schedule.

Lance Locey, 15 Main Street, suggested that the Village DPW plow all the sidewalks in the Village or hire it done. The Village has approximately 9 miles of sidewalk.

The Board discussed the hiring of a Village Maintenance Worker. An ad has been placed in the Corning Leader and Dundee Observer for the position. It was decided that Trustee White, Mayor Cummings, DPW Superintendent Hawley, and Water Plant Operator McConnell would review applications and set up interviews. Applications are due by March 13.

Mayor Cummings addressed the board with his concern that Trustee Keck noted in a letter to village residents that the village board has failed to respond to neighbor disputes within the village. Trustee Keck stated that one issue was Dr. Orman and Sandra Curtis. Mayor Cummings stated that the concerns come to the board then go to the zoning officer, who then looks into the issues.

Mayor Cummings informed the board that the next Waterfront Study Planning Committee meeting is May 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hammondsport Central School. The committee has three concepts under consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lance Locey of Keuka Water Sports informed the board that he has approval from the Town of Urbana to have his kayak and paddleboat rental at Champlin Beach again this summer and is offering to help pay the cost of cleaning the bathrooms. He did this last year for the period before and after the beach is open for swimming lessons.

Mayor Cummings congratulated Trustee Pulver for her many years of service to the Village of Hammondsport as she is not on the ballot for the upcoming village election.

With no further business, Trustee Pulver made a motion seconded by Trustee White to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Lela Martuscello, Clerk-Treasurer