

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE HELD ON APRIL 12, 2010 AT 7:00 PM IN THE TRUSTEES ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 156 NORTH MAIN STREET, WELLSVILLE, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: Mayor: James Cretekos
Trustees: Jamie Herman, Tink LaForge, Michael Dunaway, and Thomas Hayden
Police Chief: Steve Mattison
Village Atty: Dan Synakowski

ABSENT: William Whitfield

VISITORS: Tim Colligan, Scott Lanphier, Deb Howe, Casey Howe, Ron Taylor, and Bob Clark.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag led by Trustee Herman.

Mayor Cretekos called the meeting to order and announced the first order of business would be the approval of the minutes of the previous regular meeting, and the annual organizational meeting. On hearing no corrections to the minutes they were approved for filing as presented.

VISITORS:

1. None

MAYORS BUSINESS:

1. Welcomed the newly elected Trustees Mr. Hayden and Mr. Dunaway.
2. Made the motion to accept and approve the purchase agreement between Harris Computer Corporation and the Village of Wellsville for the acquisition of the final components or the financial software in the amount of \$20,850.00, authorizing the Village Clerk/Treasurer to execute all appropriate contractual documents. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaForge, Trustee Herman asked if the payment included the annual maintenance charge and Clerk Caldwell indicated that it did not, but he emphasized that sufficient funding was allocated in the 2011 budget to cover the annual maintenance agreement. There being no further questions the request was approved unanimously.
3. Announce the receipt of the 2010 Main Street Grant in the amount of \$23,000.00 for use in the next phase of the Main Street Lighting Project. The grant was obtained through the efforts of the Alfred Housing Committee, Inc. The trustees thanked Alfred Housing for its hard work in securing this most needed funding.

4. Motion to accept a resignation letter from H. Kier Dirlam effective April 25, 2010, and the separation pay for Mr. Dirlam will be vacation pay of 36.5 hours @ \$21.38/hr equaling \$780.37. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaForge and approved unanimously with regret.
5. Motion to accept the General Liability & Blanket Insurance bid submitted by Selective Insurance for fiscal 2011 in the amount of \$108,494.35, representing an increase of 5% of 2010. A bid request was submitted to New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal, but they decline to submit a bid due to the Villages current lose history. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaForge and approved unanimously.
6. The mayor reminded those in attendance that the 2011 Village Budget will be voted on at the April 26th regular board meeting.
7. Requested approval of the separation pay for Josh Kemp in the amount of holiday pay of 40 hours and vacation pay of 80 hours @ \$15.83/hour equaling \$1,899.60. On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee Hayden the request was approved with regret.
8. Announced the Arbor Day Celebration to be held on April 30th at 12:30pm at the Elementary School. The Village will be recognized as a TREE CITY USA for the 19th consecutive year.
9. The following proclamation was read:

WHEREAS, the sacrifices of those who have lost their lives, their health or their livelihood as a result of their military services are rightly the concern of all citizens, and

WHEREAS, the annual distribution of the American Legion Poppies offers an opportunity for the people of the community to express their solicitude for those persons who have paid more than their fair share of the cost of freedom, and

WHEREAS, the American Legion poppies are assembled by disabled veterans and the proceeds of this worthy fund raising campaign are used for the benefit of the disabled and needy veterans and for the widows and orphans of deceased veterans in the desire to honor the dead by helping the living.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Cretekos, Mayor of the Village of Wellsville do hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support through the purchase of poppies beginning May 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010.

10. The following proclamation was read:

WHEREAS, In 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS, trees in our cities increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of the business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, Wellsville, New York has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting ways,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, James G. Cretekos, Mayor of the Village of Wellsville do hereby proclaim April 30, 2010 as Arbor Day in the Village of Wellsville, and I urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands and to support our Village's Community Forestry Program, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

11. Announced the Annual Meeting for NYCOM scheduled for May 16th through 18th, any trustee desirous of attending should contact the Deputy Village Clerk.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS:

HERMAN: - 1) Congratulated the new trustees in their successful elections and looked forward to working with each of them. 2) Commended the Street Department personnel for the superb cleanup of Main Street this spring – it has been mentioned to him by many residents. 3) Ask the members if they were in agreement to spend \$500.00 of the beautification budget to cover the cost of material for the upkeep of Colligan Park – everyone indicated their consent. 4) Requested executive session to discuss one contractual issue and one personnel issue.

DUNAWAY: 1) Looking forward to the opportunity to work with the other board members and department heads to continue the hard work that has already begun in improving the Village of Wellsville.

HAYDEN: 1) Mentioned that he is glad to be back and is to looking forward to working with the other board members for the betterment of Wellsville, and thanked the sitting board for their hard work this past couple of years.

LAFORGE: 1) Made a motion that the new DPW Union Contract which would expire on May 31, 2013 be approved as currently presented, he indicated that the union members had approved the contract at noon today. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dunaway and approved unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

1. The receipt and filing of the March 15, 2010 Fireboard Meeting Minutes was reported.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

1. Announced to the board the receipt of a resignation letter as of April 5, 2010 from police officer Arthur Reed. Trustee Herman asked when his last pay would be and Clerk Caldwell indicated that since he was on probation at the time of resignation his pay ended at the time of the resignation. The mayor made a motion to accept the resignation Trustee LaForge seconded the motion and the resignation was accepted.
2. The Chief indicated that he was in receipt of information from the Great Balloon Rally pertaining to proposed events on June 11, 2010. Since the information has not been delivered to the Clerk's office and a formal request has not been made to-date the trustees indicated that nothing could be done until the request was submitted to the Clerk. Tim Colligan requested a copy of the communication since it mentions utilizing the Libraries grounds, the clerk indicated that a copy would be made for him.
3. Requested executive session to discuss two personnel issues.

DPW:

1. Trustee Herman made a motion to accept the General Line Construction Material bids (attached sheet), Trustee Hayden seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

CLERK TREASURER:

1. Acceptance and approval of the vouchers listed in Abstract #21 dated April 5, 2010 and Abstract #22 dated April 12, 2010 were approved on a motion by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Hayden as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vouchers</u>
A	\$ 62,003.98	948 - 1036
CT	20,286.18	40 - 42
EE	14,032.33	496 - 525
F	16,483.90	451 - 495

G	14,058.41	480 – 517
R	3,321.88	144 – 151
TA	<u>1,222.48</u>	21
TOTAL	\$131,409.16	

2. Announced that the March 31, 2010 Treasurer’s Report, Financial Statements, DPU Adjusting Journal Entries, and the General Journal Entries are available for review.
3. Approval requested to transfer appropriations from A9060.800 – Employee Group Health to A1325.413 – Accounting Software in the amount of \$20,850.00. On a motion by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Herman the request was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee Hayden the board moved out of the regular session into the executive session at 7:20 PM.

On a motion by Trustee LaForge and seconded by Trustee Dunaway the Board moved out of Executive Session and back to Regular Session at 7:40 PM.

Trustee Herman made a motion to approve the hiring of Percy Sherman as a full-time patrolman with the Wellsville Police Department with pay established at the set entry level amount. His probationary period will be 90 days from the date of hire. Hire date will be conditioned on when Mr. Sherman can be available. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dunaway and approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM on a motion made by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Hayden.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Caldwell
Village Clerk/Treasurer