

PUBLIC HEARING –April 10, 2014

Mayor Reynolds called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Deputy Mayor Lockhart, Trustees Adamson, Suitor and VanDeusen, Attorney Caserta, Police Sergeant Schuey, DPW Superintendent Muller, Building Inspector Stevens, Engineer Lannon, Lew-Port students and several interested residents and members of the public.

Mayor Reynolds stated he would ask for any public comment first, prior to the Public Hearing. Greg Robertson of the Youngstown Volunteer Fire Company stated a proposal for recycling containers for cans and bottles to be placed at various locations in the Village has been presented to the Fire Company. Doug Adamson who operates a bottle recycling center in Ransomville and Scott Szareko will pay for the recycling containers for placement in the Village. The contents will be taken to the Fire Hall where they will be picked up, taken to the Ransomville center and the full deposit will be given to the Fire Company for their drive for life campaign. Doug Adamson will also donate an addition 20% of the container returns. Trustee Adamson stated his brother was unable to attend the meeting and that the containers will be placed in the Village parks, waterfront and Village Hall areas. Mr. Robertson also stated the clothing recycle box brings in revenue to the Fire Company. Mayor Reynolds stated this would keep bottles and cans out of landfills by recycling and would also help the drive for life. He asked Trustee Adamson to have his brother submit his plans for the Village Board's review.

Aaron Dey of the Dory announced the Great Contraption Race is coming in August and then introduced Ellen Augello who works for the 11 year old national not- for- profit organization, It Happened to Alexa Foundation (IHTAF). Ms. Augello explained the organization supports victims of sexual assault. The fundraiser scheduled for August 2, 2014 features homemade contraptions that float from Lewiston to Youngstown. After the race, an event party will take place in Youngstown with entertainment and food. The sponsors include Channel 2 television station, local radio stations and local businesses. The race has been approved by the U.S. Coast Guard. An informational meeting will be held in Lewiston on April 30th. Area restaurants will have a concoction kick-off featuring their signature drink for the event. A portion of the sales will be donated to the fund. Mayor Reynolds stated the Village Board had given permission for use of Vets Park for the event. Mr. Dey announced there is a website for the event. Teams of 2-4 persons will compete at a cost of \$150. per team and costumes are encouraged. He stated this is similar to the Race for Roswell. He also suggested a friendly challenge between the Village Boards of Youngstown and Lewiston.

Jane Price and Gary Beaty then announced plans for the Dory to rent bikes and kayaks with storage racks proposed for Main St. Inquiries have already been coming in regarding such rentals. Trustee Adamson asked the number of bikes available and where would the rack be placed. He was told there would possibly be 6 bikes and they would like to place the rack on the grassy area near the barber shop across the street from the Dory. Trustee Adamson then motioned to approve the placement of the rack. Attorney Caserta suggested a plan is first needed for the Board's review. Deputy Mayor Lockhart seconded the motion pending the submittal of drawings/plans and then with the Mayor' approval. The motioned carried unanimously.

Mayor Reynolds then read the following. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Board of Trustees of the Village of Youngstown, NY, will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering and hearing all interested persons concerning the following: Tentative Budget for 2014-2015, for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2014 and ending May 31, 2015. Compensation will remain the same as the past six years for the Mayor which has been set at \$7,498., for the Deputy Mayor at \$6,151. And for each of the three Trustees at \$5,656. A copy of the tentative budget is available at the Village Clerk's Office.

Mayor Reynolds asked for comment regarding the budget or if there was any other public comment. Hearing none, the meeting continued.

Building Inspector Stevens did not submit a report but stated he has been working with DPW Superintendent Muller on the drawings of Village buildings and properties. Mr. Stevens also reported Doug Adamson has been setting up a computer for the Building Inspector's office.

Police Sergeant Schuey reported the ride-along program will be scheduled again with the local colleges. This will allow students to ride with the Village Police Officers on duty as well as citizens 18 years or older. Sergeant Schuey stated The Youngstown Police Officers are again visiting area businesses for any concerns they may have. The YPD monthly report was submitted. 150 patrol hours were worked, 800 patrol miles logged, 11 Village calls, 6 Town of Porter calls, 8 calls outside the Village, 9 UTT's issued, 2 parking tickets issued and 1 arrest was made.

DPW Superintendent Muller submitted his monthly report. 13 hours of overtime was worked and 43.33 tons of garbage collected. Brush pick up has begun and storm sewer work at Vets Park will start with the piping to be delivered soon.

Engineer Lannon submitted his monthly report. The Water St. walkway survey is done and a utility pole was found to be in a bad area. Mr. Lannon will contact Jay Phelps of Jay Electric who will then contact National Grid regarding the pole. Mr. Lannon has contacted Legislator Clyde Burmaster by email in regard to Greenway funds.

Attorney Caserta reported on a proposed dedication of Carrollwood Dr. now that 90% of the project has been built. He will review the legal description of the area and a dedication date will then be set.

The minutes of the March 27, 2014 meeting were approved by motion of Trustee Suitor, seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Tire Collection Day will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2014 at the Village Hall parking lot from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and limited to Village of Youngstown and Town of Porter residents. So noted.

AGENDA

1. The Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period ending March 31, 2014-General Fund-\$6,752.48, Water Fund-\$4,103.23 and Sewer Fund-\$18.75 and for the period ending April 10, 2014-General Fund-\$11,784.65, Water Fund-\$10,185.00 and Sewer Fund-\$14.48 were approved by motion of Trustee Suitor, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
2. With no further comment, Trustee Adamson motioned to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried. The Public hearing ended at 7:20 p.m.
3. Deputy Mayor Lockhart motioned to approved the resolution that there be levied and assessed against the real property of the Village of Youngstown the following sum for Village Government for the fiscal year 2014-2015 with a tax rate of \$6.95426 per thousand of assessed valuation; for the General Fund-\$644,446. and for the Mayor to be authorized to sign the Tax Warrant. Trustee Suitor seconded the motion which was then carried unanimously. Deputy Mayor Lockhart then stated there have been rumors on the street that the tax rate was going to increase by 6%. He noted that the rumor is false and the new budget has an increase of 6 cents which is an increase of approximately 1 ½ % which stays within the State's 2% tax cap. Mayor Reynolds stated the Village Board worked very hard on the budget and in keeping within the tax cap. He thanked the Board for their efforts.

4. Mayor Reynolds read the following: ELECTION RESOLUTION: WHEREAS Section 15-104(3) of the Election Law of the State of New York requires the Village of Youngstown to hold its general election on the third Tuesday in May, and WHEREAS the office of Mayor is to be filled for a four year term and offices of two Trustees are to be filled for four year terms each. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: FIRST: The annual election of and for the Village of Youngstown, New York will be held in said Village at the Village Center gymnasium, 240 Lockport St. on the 20th day of May 2014. SECOND: The polls shall be open between the hours of noon and nine o'clock in the evening. THIRD: At such election, the following officers are to be elected for the terms set opposite thereto respectively:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Raleigh B. Reynolds	542 Northfield Dr.	Mayor	4 Years
Norman P. Swann	372 Brampton Rd.	Mayor	4 Years
Beverly A VanDeusen	174 Chestnut St.	Trustee	4 Years
Stuart P. Comerford	645 Lockport St.	Trustee	4 Years
Timothy S. Adamson	510 Church St.	Trustee	4 Years
Wilfred E. Ziegler	163 Jackson St.	Trustee	4 Years

FOURTH: At least ten (10) days prior to the Election Day set in this resolution, a copy of such resolution shall be published in the official newspaper and a copy be posted in at least six (6) conspicuous places in said Village. Deputy Mayor Lockhart motioned to approve the resolution as read, seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.

5. Authorization for the Clerk to send any unpaid Village water/sewer bills for quarter ending December 31, 2013, any outstanding account receivables and any formerly exempts to Niagara County for inclusion to property tax bills was given by motion of Trustee VanDeusen, seconded by Trustee Suitor and carried. .
6. Authorization for the transfer of appropriations for the 2013-2014 General Fund budget in the amount of \$26,258.00 and Water Fund in the amount of \$6,461.00 was approved by motion of Trustee Adamson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried.
7. Authorization for the Clerk to transfer funds from the Water Fund owed to the Sewer Fund from water/sewer bill collections in the amount of \$3,893.23 for the month of March was made by motion of Deputy Mayor Lockhart, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
8. Authorization for the Clerk to transfer \$7.60 from (A231) Cash Special Reserve Unemployment to General Fund checking (A200) for payment to New York State Unemployment Services was made by motion of Trustee VanDeusen, seconded by Trustee Suitor and carried.
9. Authorization for the Clerk to host a training seminar in the Cora Gushee Room for the Niagara County Clerks' Association in late summer or early fall was approved by motion of Trustee VanDeusen, seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried after the Mayor asked for details by the Clerk. She explained that a State representative will give instruction on State reportings at a site that can hold approximately 30-40 people at no rental cost to the State and has parking available for those who attend.
10. Approval of monthly balance sheets, revenues and appropriation reports for the General, Water, Sewer and Trust Agency for the period ending March 2014 was given by motion of Trustee Adamson, seconded by Trustee Suitor and carried.
11. The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business discussed.

REPORTS

The Clerk's financial report to augment the monthly revenue and expense journal for period ending March 31, 2014 was provided to each Board member for review and is on file in the Clerk's Office.

Deputy Mayor Lockhart reported he is reviewing parking with consideration to fishermen parking on the north side of Hinman St. which the Village does not own. Vehicles with trailers would be allowed to park at the aforementioned area with any repairs for damage to the area at the Village's expense. He also reported working with Fox Boyz to coordinate a shuttle from the trailer parking to the dock area. Deputy Mayor Lockhart will be working with Niagara County in an effort to relieve standing water on the east side of Main St. in front of the former Brennan's Restaurant. He discussed the possibility of using porous pavement to relieve the water collection. Trustee Adamson asked that while Deputy Mayor Lockhart was contacting the County, would he have them examine and pave the shoulder in front of his home at 510 Church St. in the event they pave elsewhere in the Village. Trustee Adamson stated this problem is a result of nearby construction years ago that was never taken care of.

Mayor Reynolds stated the Village grant writer is looking into storm water matters at the bridge at Bloody Run with the County and/or State to check its structural soundness.

Trustee Adamson discussed the County striping roads in the Village and a safety matter in front of his home where double lines would help with the problem. He also reported elections were held at the last Youngstown Business Association meeting. Officers include Cheryl Butera- President, Bob Emerson-Vice President, Mark Butera-Secretary, Amy Freiermuth-Treasurer. The YBA will again sponsor a street dance in June with a vintage car show added to the event this year. Hinman St. will be closed off for the approximate 50 car display. Trustee Adamson reported the Celebrity Bartenders Night to benefit the Nancy Price Scholarship Fund was a success with over \$1,500.00 raised. The Nancy Price Run/Walk will be held on May 10, 2014.

Trustee Suitor reported the update of computers in the Clerk's Office should be completed by next Monday evening.

Mayor Reynolds reported an anchor at the north dock was donated by the Rafferty family several years ago but was never marked with a plaque stating the information. The Mayor stated the Village will have the donated anchor marked.

Mayor Reynolds asked for public comment again. Hearing none, the Mayor stated the Board of Trustees will enter into Executive Session following the regular Board meeting in regard to a contractual legal matter. With no further matters for the meeting, Trustee Adamson motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried. The meeting ended at 7:45 p.m.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. No decisions and/or actions were taken. Trustee Adamson motioned to adjourn the Executive Session, seconded by Trustee Suitor and carried. The Executive Session ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Castilon
Clerk Treasurer

