

## **Village of Youngstown Board Meeting Minutes August 13, 2015**

Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Trustees Adamson, Suitor, and Comerford, Deputy Mayor Lockhart, Attorney Caserta, Police Chief Schuey, Building Inspector Stevens, Superintendent Muller, Engineer Lannon and some concerned residents.

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order and read winning bids received for surplus equipment. Robert Lodoweur Stihl saw \$37.00, John Stevens Ball Drag \$50.00, Jeanine Walker Enterprises 1990 Ford Dump Tandem \$1,601.00, Dennis Shira 2007 Crown Victoria \$1,428.00. Deputy Mayor Lockhart made a motion to accept the bids as read, and Steven Suitor seconded the motion and carried.

Mayor Reynolds advised that there were no bids for the wheeled recycling carts and this will be put out to bid again.

Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting to the public. Jason Suitor for the Youngstown Yacht Club Can Am Regatta presented Mayor Reynolds with a donation of \$1,000.00 for the Youngstown Recreation Department for their support for such a successful Regatta.

With no further public comment, the Mayor continued with the meeting.

Police Chief Schuey advised he turned in his monthly report. There were 27 Village calls, 6 calls outside the Village. There were two arrests, 32 traffic stops, and 9 traffic stop tickets issued. There were 182 premises checks. Total calls for the month-256. During fire safety week there will be car seat checks done.

DPW Superintendent Muller advised that the pipe work was done on Elm Street. He turned in his monthly report advising the DPW had worked in water and sewer, grass cutting, street dance, cleaned up glass on streets and watered flowers. The fire alarm system failed downstairs. The alarm company cannot locate where the problem is. The alarm specialist has to come in to trace and repair the wiring. Deputy Mayor Lockhart made a motion for Superintendent Muller to contact the specialist to get the fire alarm functioning properly, Trustee Adamson seconded the motion and carried.

Grant Writer Bernie Rotella advised he turned his report in. Water Street Greenway Application will be submitted by September 21, 2015 and presented to the commission by November 17, 2015. Constitution Park is on track. NYEDP grant was requested, anticipating executed contract to be returned to village by fall. AED grant was requested, request for extension for acceptance of the award, email from grantor with contract sent to the Mayor. EFC Water Funding, opened last week and will fit water line project on Rt 93.

Engineer Lannon handed his report to the board. Water Street Sidewalk, SEQR completed, funding sought from Niagara River Greenway (grant writer). Water Street condition assessment, visual assessment performed and photos taken, paving appears to be done in 3 passes. Ingress/egress sections are worse than level section. LWRP, project is ongoing. Lockport Road Doctor's Office Waterline, schematic developed for Village's review. Oak/Elm subdivision, need to discuss PIP & Bonding requirements, awaiting further action by developer. Village drainage, assistance provided as required. Rout 93 waterline-RMP to Cherry St, survey scheduled for September, detailed design to follow. 409 Main St building permit, preliminary engineering comments provided, full site plan review pending Village approval.

Building Inspector Stevens advised he turned his report in, 11 building permits issued for \$435.00. There was a garbage issue that was handled by Modern.

Attorney Caserta had nothing to report.

Minutes from the July 19, 2015 Board Meeting were approved by Trustee Comerford and seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.

#### **Correspondence:**

1. Utility taxes were received from-Accent Energy Midwest II-\$3.41, Vonage America- \$4.54, Verizon New York- \$1,133.94. Choice One Communications – \$1.62, Time Warner Cable \$92.13, AT & T Communications -\$2.36, Birch Communications - \$5.44, Nextiva - \$2.05 and Ting - \$.18. Noted.
2. Niagara County Treasurer Office Sales Tax Distribution for the month of June 2015 \$41,166.04. down \$3,740.59 from this period last year. Noted.
3. Niagara County Water District Gallonage Report for period of June 30, 2015 to July 31, 2015 4,940,000 Gallons- an increase of 970,000 Gallons from same period last year. Noted.

#### **Agenda:**

1. Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period July 10, 2015 – August 12, 2015 – General - \$219,982.92, Water - \$15,034.45, Sewer - \$43,828.17 and Trust Agency - \$3,750.00. Trustee Adamson motioned, Trustee Suitor seconded and carried.
2. Request from Mr. Shaun Weber for approval of building permit #132-2015 for an addition to the present building at 409 Main Street. This permit and drawings were sent to the Niagara County Planning Board for approval at their July 20, 2015 Niagara County Planning Board Meeting since this building is on a State Road. Approval was granted. Attorney Caserta recommended that this be sent to the Planning Board for a hearing. Motion was made by Trustee Adamson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried.
3. Amend the 2015 -2016 Budget Account Number A.1001.00 Property Taxes for the amount of \$16.57. Property Tax Map Number 45.18-4-66, St. John

Lutheran Church – parcel erroneously placed in Roll Section 1, parcel was merged with 45.18-4-23 on 2015 tax roll. New amount to be collected for Village Taxes will be \$649,332.43. Motion by Trustee Suitor, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.

4. Request from PYRBA Promotions/Event Committee to have Main Street closed from noon on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 until 3:00 p.m. (TBD) for the Youngstown Labor Day Parade. It will start at Fort Niagara State Park and end at First Presbyterian Church on Church Street. This request was tabled from the May 28, 2015 Village Board Meeting due to the VFW wanting to be a sponsor of the parade also. A letter requesting this was to be sent to the Village Office and to date has not been received. Motion by Trustee Adamson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart. Second motion to close same roads for Mermaid Festival By Trustee Adamson and seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried.
5. Request from Melissa Kennedy, Secretary for the Lew-Port Youth Football League, requesting the usage of Veteran’s Park for their football and cheerleading practices beginning on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 thru Saturday, November 14, 2015, from 5:30 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. A schedule and insurance will be forwarded to the Village Office upon approval. Motion made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.
6. Authorization for a Resolution for Niagara Greenway Commission Program-Youngstown Water Street Sidewalk Project:

WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to continue the process of acquiring the funds to complete the Youngstown Water Street Sidewalk Project. This is a construction project that will complete a sidewalk on Water Street in the Village of Youngstown. This sidewalk is located along Water Street on RT 18F.

WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to provide this type of facility to residents at the lowest possible cost to the Village and Village Taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to apply for financial assistance from the Niagara River Greenway Niagara County Ad HOC, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board commits to providing the required local matching funds to insure the timely implementation of the proposed project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes and submits an application for the Niagara River Greenway Niagara County Ad HOC funds for the Youngstown Water Street Sidewalk Project in the amount of \$55,000.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign all documents and agreements related to the Niagara River Greenway Niagara County Ad HOC application

RESLOVED, That Raleigh Reynolds, as Mayor of the Village of Youngstown, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funds from the Niagara River Greenway Niagara County Ad HOC, and execute a project agreement for such financial ad distance to the Village of Youngstown for the

proposed Youngstown Water Street Sidewalk Project.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart to accept, seconded by Trustee Sutor and carried.

7. Next Board Meeting will be September 10, 2015. So noted.

The Village Board will enter into Executive Session for Contractual issues.

### **Old Business:**

Deputy Mayor Lockhart was advised that Niagara County casino funds were distributed to the towns. The Village may get a part of that disbursement. Deputy Mayor Lockhart with permission from the Board will check into this further to see if any funds are due the Village.

Trustee Adamson inquired about the parking by the dumpster at the Yacht Club and consideration for the length of time there on behalf of the Commodore. The Board advised that there is 15 minute parking there and that is how it must stay as this is the only area with open restrooms as well.

### **New Business:**

Deputy Mayor Lockhart motioned to reopen the bids for the wheeled recycle carts with the opening of the bids to be prior to the next board meeting, seconded by Trustee Sutor and carried.

### **Reports:**

Trustee Comerford reported that he attended the Town of Lewiston Community Meeting at the Water Treatment Plant and it was very informative. He also thanked all that helped with the community picnic. He requested a thank you be placed in the Sentinel for the Lions Club donation for security cameras and the Yacht Club for its donation to the Recreation Department.

Deputy Mayor Lockhart verified the paving of Rt 93 in the summer of 2016, milling and resurfacing for 2017. He also thanked Bob Reese for stopping to take the time to move two boats so the fishing derby could take place for the community picnic.

Trustee Adamson advised the Recreation has had a great summer and that Tina Oddy has been a great help with the Recreation Program and the summer picnic. Travel League for Baseball was up 16% and the baseball and soccer and softball teams are all utilizing the fields.

Mayor Reynolds advised that there were 29 children in the fishing derby and it went very well. Prizes were awarded to all. The Mermaid Festival was very nice as well; he thanked all involved for the new activity in the village adding it was a great support to the Care N Share Food Pantry in Ransomville.

With no further reports, Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting back up to the public. Richard Lohr inquired about a large generator that will support his three buildings on Main Street and what the status was regarding allowance of this. Building Inspector Stevens advised he was ok with it as well as running it by Peggy Hanson

on the Planning Board. A discussion took place regarding the banks and erosion. Deputy Mayor Lockhart motioned for approval with landscaping to be done to support the bank and erosion issues, Trustee Adamson seconded and carried.

Aaron Dey thanked Deputy Mayor Lockhart for donating to the Mermaid Festival Dunk Tank to support the food pantry since he would be out of town.

Motion to end the meeting and enter into executive session was made by Trustee Comerford, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried at 8:03p.m.

Motion to end executive session made by Trustee Adamson, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried at 8:45pm.

Motion to end meeting made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried, 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Wendy Brown  
Deputy Clerk Treasurer

Cynthia Tripoli  
Clerk Treasurer