

Village of Youngstown Board Meeting Minutes October 27, 2016

Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:02 p.m. Also present were Deputy Mayor Lockhart, Trustee Adamson, Trustee Zastrow, Trustee Comerford, Attorney Caserta, Engineer Lannon, Grant Writer Rotella, Building Inspector Stevens, Chief Schuey and several residents.

Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting to public comment. Rick Lohr spoke on behalf of David Graff and his building proposal for the Cold Storage Building. He would offer his insurance for David to be able to have Engineers evaluate the site so decisions can be made regarding the next phase of the project. David Graff then read a 10 minute narrative regarding his vision of the project. He is in the process of creating a 501 (C) 3 named The Old Cold Storage. His board consists of himself, Claudia Andres, Larry Elia, and John DiFiore. John DiFiore spoke on David's behalf as well. Mayor Reynolds advised that the Board is behind the concept of the project and have asked for Mr. Graff to present his funding information and plans for the next steps in the project. Mr. DiFiore advised they need to have an engineering study and a feasibility study in order to move forward and be able to provide the information the Board is requesting. He inquired regarding the length of time left before the grant to demolish the building would be used. Grant Writer Rotella advised there could be the 4-6 weeks the group was looking for. Trustee Adamson advised his thoughts regarding revenue for the Village and protecting the funds of the taxpayers. Attorney Caserta will draft paperwork allowing Rick Lohr to provide the insurance and allow Mr. Graff and his engineer to view the building. Deputy Mayor Lockhart made a motion pending review and attorney approval for insurance purposes that Dave Graff and Associates be allowed access to the Cold Storage Building for assessment purposes; seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.

Mayor Reynolds then asked for any further Public Comments. A resident advised that the parking on Main Street is still a problem. Many of the people in apartments are still parking on the streets. Mayor Reynolds made note and will check on the situation. A resident inquired as to the status of the Board purchasing microphones so the audience is better able to hear anyone speaking. Mayor Reynolds advised they would look into this. A resident inquired as to the enforcement of the new Bus Law. Attorney Caserta advised the time frame should be very close. The resident advised the buses were doing the same things and that she had been confronted by bus employees regarding pictures being taken. Chief Schuey advised the resident to please call as this happens so they can be dispatched and address the situation as it is happening. Chief Schuey advised the best thing to do is to call the non-emergency number to the Sheriff and ask that if a Youngstown officer is on duty, they be dispatched to the area. With no further Public Comment Mayor Reynolds moved on to Departmental Reports.

Police: No report.

DPW: Absent

Building Inspector: There have been several vacant properties sold. 255 Elm Street will be going to auction the first week of November.

Grant Writer Rotella advised that on 10/12 he met with the Greenway Commission. Although the full amount of \$132,000.00 is not expected, it does look viable for funding. We should be advised of the outcome soon. The Arts and Music Grant has been submitted for 2017, waiting for results of this as well. Bernie requested that a resolution be made to have Mayor Reynolds sign the LWRP Assessment Chapter 2 form. Deputy Mayor Lockhart made a motion for resolution for Mayor Reynolds to sign the form, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried. Grant Writer Rotella also requested a resolution for Mayor Reynolds to sign the SHPO inventory

form regarding the Cold Storage Building. Deputy Mayor Lockhart made a motion to approve a resolution that Mayor Reynolds sign the required form, second by Trustee Adamson and carried. Grant Writer Rotella also noted that there is a grant from NYS Achieves and he will meet with the Clerk's Office to coordinate the necessary information to apply for the grant, this is due by January 1, 2017.

Motion to approve the minutes from October 13, 2016 was made by Trustee Zastrow, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.

Correspondence:

1. Additional utility taxes received in the amount of \$108.91 for the month/quarter ending September 30, 2016. So noted.
2. \$42,003.38 received from Niagara County Treasurer for Sept 2016 sales tax distribution. This is an increase of \$1,713.44 over last year at this time. So noted.
3. Thank you note from Care-n-Share Food Pantry for the support of and participation in the Mermaid Festival. So noted.

Agenda

1. Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period October 13, 2016 – October 27, 2016:

General:	\$36,278.70
Water:	\$ 462.23
Sewer:	\$ 2700.00
Trust:	\$ 0.00
Total:	\$39,440.93

Motion to approve made by Trustee Adamson and seconded by Trustee Zastrow and carried.

2. Request from the Youngstown Lions Club for the use of the "Niagara Pioneer Soccer Room" for a Child Eye Screening event during Christmas in the Village on December 10, 2016. Currently there are no other conflicts for this room during this time. Insurance has been provided. Motion to approve made by Trustee Comerford, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockhart and carried.
3. Request from the Youngstown Lions Club for use of Lions Park on Saturday, June 3, 2017 for the Lions Centennial Celebration and Rededication of Lions Park. Currently there are no other conflicts during this time. Insurance has been provided. Motion to approve made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart, seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.
4. Yearly renewal of Raising Fowl permits for Kristal Stevens, 580 Lockport Street and Kyle Heath 421 Lockport Street. No complaints have been received since applications were approved. Motion to approve made by Trustee Adamson, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.
5. Request for Clerk-Treasurer, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer and Deputy Clerk to attend the Niagara County Clerk's meeting on November 17, 2016. The Town of Porter and Village of Youngstown Clerk Offices are co-hosting the meeting at the Mug and Musket. Motion to approve made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart, seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.
6. Set dates for the November and December Board Meetings. In the past, only one meeting has been held each month due to the Holiday(s). Tonight the Village Board will be holding a Work Session and Executive Session to discuss contractual obligations. So noted. Motion to set dates as November 10, 2016 and December 8, 2016 made by Trustee Zastrow, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Reports: Trustee Adamson reported that on Saturday October 30, 2016 the Recreation Dept. will hold its annual Halloween parade and party in the gym. Trustee Adamson advised that in speaking with residents, a notice should have accompanied the water bills explaining what the water other charge for \$13.00 was. He requested that a notice be sent with the January water bills. He also reported that he met with Jan Gilgore of the Youngstown Free Library to discuss best placement of the "Little Library". They are checking on locations now.

Trustee Zastrow and Comerford had no new reports.

Deputy Mayor Lockhart reported that he had a discussion with Cell Mobility 3-4 months ago regarding placement of a 100 foot pole by the fire department. As there is a moratorium on towers he was checking to see if it could be located on an existing structure. He will have Cell Mobility submit a proposal. Deputy Mayor Lockhart also reported that there is a good group in place working on the dog park. Something that may tie in is the lighting for the soccer field, which could work for the dog park in the future. The sidewalk work is completed through CHIPS. The CFA Grant is a 50% matching grant for the dog park, park upgrades that will be about 2-3 weeks out.

Mayor Reynolds had no new report. With reports submitted, Mayor Reynolds opened the meeting back up to public comment. With no further public comment, motion to adjourn to the work session was made by Trustee Adamson, seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried at 8:07 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the work session and enter executive session was made by Trustee Zastrow and seconded by Trustee Comerford and carried at 8:50 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the executive session was made by Deputy Mayor Lockhart, seconded by Trustee Zastrow and carried at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted;

Wendy Brown
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer