

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING –OCTOBER 27, 2011

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Deputy Mayor Adamson, Trustees Hanson, Suito and VanDeusen, Attorney Caserta, Police Chief Salada, DPW Superintendent Muller, Building Inspector Choboy, Engineer Gallucci, several residents and the reporter from Below the Falls.

Mayor Reynolds announced the appointment of Margaret-Ann Hanson to the vacant trustee position on the Board, welcoming her back to a position she had held in the past. The Mayor stated Trustee Hanson has recently served as Chairwoman of the Planning Board and has worked at various Village events since she last served on the Board. Trustee Hanson's term will run through May 31, 2012.

Deputy Mayor Adamson stated that several individuals had preformed volunteer service for the Village at various events such as the community picnic and at Mayor Riordan's memorial service to mention a few. He thanked Ryan Comerford, Tim Adamson, Jr., Christian Adamson, Ted VanDeusen Sr., Ted VanDeusen Jr., Brian Harrison, Christopher Wright and Todd Muller. Deputy Mayor also presented the volunteers with tee-shirts with the Village emblem printed on them stating Mayor Riordan had helped design the shirt / emblem. The volunteers were applauded by all present.

Mayor Reynolds asked for public comment. Cheryl Butera of Anchor Spirits and president of the Youngstown Business Association stated she had a dream about Mayor Riordan prior to his death. She stated in life, Neil had many dreams for Youngstown and stated what better way to honor the former mayor than by purchasing the property at 347 Main St. and turning it into an overlook park which could be named the Riordan Overlook Memorial Park. She stated that with volunteers maintaining the park and using donated plantings from resident's gardens, costs could be kept down. Ted VanDeusen, Jr. and Tim Adamson, Jr. stated they would like to volunteer their help for such a project. Deputy Mayor Adamson stated that the Village might possibly apply for grant funds for such a purchase. Mayor Reynolds stated that because so many ideas have been suggested to honor Mayor Riordan, it would be best not to rush into something before all ideas were discussed fully. He stated Mrs. Butera's idea was a good one but with so many suggestions, all must be considered before the right tribute is selected. The Board thanked Cheryl for her suggestion. A brief letter was distributed by Mrs. Butera.

Building Inspector Choboy had submitted his monthly report at the first meeting in October. He also stated a grass cutting problem at a vacant home on Wingate Place has been resolved.

Police Chief Salada had also submitted his monthly report. He then advised the Board his department has purchased two computers. One was purchased with grant funds and the other was purchased with funds from a private donor.

DPW Superintendent Muller reported ditch work has been completed behind Glenvale Road homes. Leaves are currently being collected although one last brush pick-up was necessary for residents who were late in getting their brush to the curb.

Attorney Caserta will address items as they come up during the meeting.

The minutes of the October 13, 2011 meeting were approved by motion of Deputy Mayor Suito, seconded by Trustee Suito and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Utility taxes received from Accent Energy-\$18.80, Vonage America-\$7.35, AT&T-\$5.06, IDT Corp.-\$5.63, ACN Communications-\$8.10, TWC Digital Phone-\$91.78 and Sales Tax distribution of September-\$43,058.66 up \$4,695.59. So noted.
2. Reminder that Trick or Treat hours will be observed on Monday, October 31, 2011 from 5:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. So noted.
3. A notification of change has been received regarding Tire Collection Day on Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Ransomville Fire Hall parking lot. Tractor tires will now be accepted. So noted.

AGENDA

1. The Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period ending October 31, 2011-General Fund-\$32,063.50, Water Fund-\$57,089.89 and Sewer Fund-\$55,341.28 and Trust Agency-\$745.00. were approved by motion of Trustee Sutor, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
2. A letter of resignation from Building Inspector Choboy who has served the Village in this position since 1994 was accepted with regret by Trustee Sutor, seconded by Trustee Hanson and carried. The Board thanked Inspector Choboy for his many years of service.
3. A letter of resignation from Planning Board chairwoman Margaret-Ann Hanson was accepted by motion of Deputy Mayor Adamson, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried. Trustee Hanson was welcomed back to the Board and thanked for her service on the Planning Board.
4. Authorization for Clerk to transfer funds from the Water fund owed to the Sewer fund from water/sewer bill collections during the period of 7/21/11-10/25/11 in the amount of \$56,076.95 was made by motion of Trustee VanDeusen seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Hanson requested the use of the gym in December for the preparation of Christmas baskets as done in past years. Trustee VanDeusen motioned to approve the request, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried.

Deputy Mayor Adamson reported he has talked to the owner of the Black Pearl boat who also owns another boat, the Liberty. He would like to bring it to the area for rides up and down the Niagara River from Lewiston to Youngstown. Passengers could be dropped off for dinner in the Village. More discussion will take place after the new year.

Deputy Mayor Adamson stated two more snow flake lights will be ordered for the Main St. display. New LED white lights will be priced and ordered for the Main St poles. The lights will save on electric costs. Mr. Adamson also reported Christmas in the Village plans will be discussed at the upcoming Recreation Commission meeting. The Youngstown Lion's Club would like to sell food at the event. Deputy Mayor Adamson reported many who attended last year requested food be a part of the event.

REPORTS

Work has begun in the old Boy Scout room to convert it for the Historical Museum's use. Deputy Mayor Adamson stated the scouts have not been displaced but instead moved to another room. The scouts still need to remove their belongings so electrical plugs may also be installed. Arrangements will be made to accommodate large items for storage.

DPW Superintendent Muller reported the Village Office staff and DPW staff completed an AED / First Aid class earlier in the day.

Trustee Sutor reported his employer has gotten a new phone system and the old phones have been given to the Village. Mr. Sutor has installed the phones in the Village Office which are more up to date than the previous ones. This donation of phones with installation saved the Village over \$4,000. The Clerk personally thanked Trustee Sutor and his company for the updated equipment donation.

Mayor Reynolds asked again if anyone from the public wished to speak. With no response, Trustee Sutor motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried. The meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Castilon
Clerk Treasurer