

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – FEBRUARY 9, 2012

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Deputy Mayor Adamson, Trustees Suitor and VanDeusen, Attorney Caserta, DPW Superintendent Muller, Police Chief Salada, Engineer Gallucci, several interested residents and three Lew-Port students. Trustee Hanson was absent.

The Mayor opened the floor to public comment. Andy Hooker of the Town of Porter read a written statement to make a motion to change the name on the south dock park to the Neil Riordan Memorial Park. Attorney Caserta stated that only the Village Board can make motions on items. Mayor Reynolds stated others have also made suggestions and the Board is taking all of them into consideration before deciding on the most appropriate way to honor Neil.

Norman Swann of Brampton Rd. stated he stands by what he says, referring to statements made at the January 26, 2012 Board meeting and that he did not name names. He invited any employee that did not like what he said to talk to Mr. Swann directly. He then asked if the Village employees are still offered Guardian Insurance which was answered in the affirmative.

Building Inspector Choboy was absent but submitted his monthly report for January. One building permit was approved for work at a cost of \$25,000. and \$45. in fees collected. Deputy Mayor Adamson stated he received a call from Mr. Choboy who is currently out of town, requesting he check a pothole at the Rite Aid parking lot. The matter was discussed with Rite Aid officials and the hole will be filled.

Police Chief Salada submitted his January report. 248 patrol hours were worked, 1,067 patrol miles logged, 16 Village calls, 9 Town of Porter calls, 13 calls outside the Village, 12 UTT's were issued, 7 parking tickets issued and 2 arrests were made. Chief Salad reported he is currently working on a budget for his department.

DPW Superintendent Muller also submitted his January report. 31.5 hours of overtime was worked and garbage tonnage was 45.89.

Engineer Gallucci introduced Lou Giardino, president and CEO of CEA International. Mr. Giardino discussed the RFP history for the Youngstown Cold Storage site and stated that Manguso Development is proposing a 48 unit senior housing complex. Manguso Development is willing to take the property "as is" and is looking for some municipal tax relief such as a PILOT program. Demolition costs for the property are estimated to be between \$100,000. and \$200,000. Colby Smith of Manguso Development was also present and stated the units would not be subsidized and would be age restricted for those 55 plus, where the need has been identified. There will be 5 two bedroom apartments with the remaining units having one bedroom. It will not be an independent living setting with a dining facility at the complex. Rents would be in the \$800. range including utilities with the exception of electric. Mayor Reynolds thanked Mr. Smith and Mr. Giardino, stating the Board will be discussing this matter further in the Work Session to follow. The Mayor also stated that the Board wants to move quickly but prudently.

Attorney Caserta will address items as needed during the meeting.

The minutes of the January 26, 2012 meeting were approved by motion of Trustee Suitor, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Niagara Co. Dept. of Health with the Niagara Co. Veterinary Society are sponsoring free rabies immunization clinics throughout the County. A list of clinic dates can be found on the community bulletin board in the Village Hall. So noted.
2. Water consumption for the period of December 30, 2011 – January 31, 2012 down 26,562 gallons per day from the same time period last year. So noted.
3. Utilities received – Birch Communications-\$6.54 and Direct Energy-\$7.45. Reimbursement for Stop DWI Plan-\$3,280. and reimbursement from State for repairs to Village truck during the April 2011 wind storm emergency. So noted.
4. Notification of water suppliers responsibilities by Niagara Co. Dept. of Health / Environmental Health Division. So noted. Mayor Reynolds added that the Village is and has been in compliance with requirements.

AGENDA

1. The Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period ending January 31, 2012-General Fund-\$18,877.70, Water Fund-\$1,168.55 and Sewer Fund-\$505.02 and for the period ending February 9, 2012-General Fund -\$28,778.70, Sewer Fund-\$36.20 and Trust Agency-\$465.00 were approved by motion of Deputy Mayor Adamson, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
2. Notification by the Town of Porter stating they are increasing the sewer rate charged to the Village from \$4.05 per 1,000 gallons to \$4.70. So noted. Norman Swann questioned the new rate. Attorney Caserta stated the Village is not an independent voting member with the LWPCC as we had joined under the Town of Porter. The Village is in the process of obtaining information to become independent.
3. National Fuel correspondence asking for information on any Village planned project as they are planning pipeline replacement in the upcoming year. So noted. Mayor Reynolds added that Superintendent Muller will notify National Fuel if a project arises.
 1. Authorization for Clerks to attend the Niagara Co. Municipal Clerks' Association meeting on February 16th was approved by motion of Trustee VanDeusen, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried.
 2. Board approval of Library Agreement Addendum for use of the now vacant nursery school room on the second floor of the Village Hall was approved by motion of Trustee Suitor, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
6. Water shut off for non-payment of quarter ending December 2011 for water / sewer bills set for Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. was approved by motion of Deputy Mayor Adamson, seconded by Trustee Suitor and carried.
 1. Approval of monthly balance sheets, revenues and appropriation reports for the General, Water, Sewer and Trust Agency for the period ending January 2012 was made by motion of Deputy Mayor Adamson, seconded by Trustee Suitor and

carried.

2. Authorization of transfer of appropriations for 2011-2012 General Fund budget in the amount of \$39,476. and for the Sewer Fund budget in the amount of \$5,539. was made by motion of Trustee Suitor, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
9. The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2012. So noted.

OLD BUSINESS - No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS - No new business was discussed.

REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Adamson reported on the improvements to the Village Hall, stating work on the exterior doors and arches is approximately 60% finished, stopping for the winter and completion will be in the spring. The stops in the parking lot will be removed due to people tripping on them and poles will be installed. The sign outside the Village Hall has been removed with a replacement to arrive in approximately 6 weeks. The Deputy Mayor also reported that the old Boy Scout room has been painted and floors refinished. The DPW crew will be working in the Museum's "classroom" next and the old nursery school room is being readied for use by the Library. He also stated the building's carpeting needs to be replaced.

Deputy Mayor Adamson stated he has contacted Bill Purtell of Fort Niagara State Parks regarding signs directing traffic back into the Village from the Fort. He then asked for permission to purchase signs from Modern. Mayor Reynolds stated he first wants to make certain the Village is approved for signage grant funds which our grant writer Bernie Rotella has applied for.

Mark Butera of Anchor Spirits and secretary for the Youngstown Business Association stated the signs would be welcomed. Many people visit the Fort and don't know there is a Village close by. Deputy Mayor again referenced the signs and Mayor Reynolds agreed to get estimates for Board discussion.

Deputy Mayor Adamson announced the owners of the Liberty and Black Pearl ships will be arriving to present information on their operation during the Work Session and all were invited to stay for the presentation.

With no further business, Trustee Suitor motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried. The meeting ended at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Castilon
Clerk Treasurer