

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – MARCH 22, 2012

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Deputy Mayor Adamson, Trustees Hanson, Sutor and VanDeusen, Attorney Caserta one reporter and several interested residents.

The Mayor asked for public comment. Norman Swann of Brampton Rd. asked the Board about the work done to the front door arches of the Village Hall expressing concerns of splitting wood and separations. Deputy Mayor Adamson advised him that the work was stopped before winter and will be finished this spring. The Board had examined the work prior to winter and it was in good shape. Winter weather may have affected the work. Mr. Swann then asked about the South Waterfront dock. A discussion took place regarding engineering issues and change orders and the efforts to get resolve to the problem. Mr. Swann asked about the launching of boats and putting docks into the water. Mayor Reynolds stated the Board has been advised not to use this section of the dock which has been cordoned off. Mr. Swann then inquired on the status of the Cold Storage site. Mayor Reynolds stated the Board approved the motion to enter into negotiations with Manguso Development for exclusive development contract rights at the Cold Storage site during the last Board meeting.

Porter Historian Suzanne Dietz announced the Town's upcoming Bicentennial celebrations and hoped all could attend. She reported finding several interesting bits of information regarding New York State ferry legislation from 1813, documents showing the Village was called Youngstown as far back as the War of 1812 and that she is searching documentation on the name Youngstown. Mrs. Dietz also found information of a guest speaker at the Red Brick School in 1952 who was the navigator of the plane that dropped the atomic bomb. She also reminded those in attendance that the 1812 flags can be purchased at Anchor Spirits and thanked the Butera's for their help. Mrs. Dietz thanked the Village Board for their support of the Historical Museum and renovations which have been done.

Building Inspector Choboy, Police Chief Salada and DPW Superintendent Muller were absent but had submitted their monthly reports at the previous meeting.

Attorney Caserta stated he would address items as they came up during the meeting.

The minutes of the March 8, 2012 meeting were approved by motion of Trustee Sutor, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Utility taxes received from TWC Digital Phone-\$88.82, AT&T Communications-\$4.70 and Granite Telecommunications-\$2.68. Sales Tax Distribution for February-\$26,743.93 up \$1,479.09 from the same period last year. So noted.
2. Gallonage report for period of January 31 – February 29, 2012 – consumption down 26,391 gallons per day from the same time period last year. So noted.

3. Letter of complaint received from Paul and Carol Lotz of Oak St. regarding dog owners not cleaning up after their pets in residential areas. Asked that a Village park be designated for walking dogs. So noted.

AGENDA

1. The Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period ending March 22, 2012 – General Fund-\$24,111.39, Water Fund-\$1,623.18, and Sewer Fund-\$1,017.41 was approved by motion of Deputy Mayor Adamson, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
2. A resolution to abolish the position of Fire Inspector was made by motion of Trustee Hanson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adamson and carried.
3. Trustee Suitor motioned to lift the Village's April 1st parking ban due to the good weather conditions, seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried.
4. A Public Hearing was set for Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering and hearing all interested persons concerning the tentative budget for 2012-2013.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business discussed

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Suitor reported the WiFi service is down again and he will contact the Niagara County representative for repair.

REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Adamson stated he and DPW Superintendent Muller drove around the Village to examine the road conditions. He listed the roads in order of their bad condition. The roads are East Oak Terrace, Glenvale Rd., Cherry St., Elm St., Brookshire Rd., a section of Wingate and the "S" curve on Third St. He recommended repairs to three roads this year and three next year.

Deputy Mayor Adamson discussed ordering sprinklers for the Peace Garden and gazebo area. Mayor Reynolds stated the purchase which was discussed during a budget session was approved. Deputy Mayor Adamson will advise Superintendent Muller to order the sprinklers. He then advised the Board of his conversation with Pete Kominski of the Lion's Club and that former Mayor Riordan had agreed to replace three Lion's Club signs which were taken down and have since disappeared. Deputy Mayor Adamson stated the price for the three signs is \$529. which includes the Lion's symbol, shipping and handling. Mayor Reynolds stated the Board will look at the budget for such a purchase. A discussion took place regarding the Lion's many service efforts in the Village.

Trustee VanDeusen reported that as the Board liaison for the LOOW / RAB group, she attended the March 13, 2012 meeting. A detailed report from a chemist found that one cell may be leaking near the site. Also, there have been many media gaps over the past 25 years. The Army

Corp of Engineers will conduct testing of air samples and further study of soil and water samples. Trustee VanDeusen then reported on the RRG annual meeting. Board members were announced at that meeting.

Trustee Hanson reported the Spring Clean Up program started on April 25th last year but due to this year's good weather, she would like to see it start earlier.

Trustee VanDeusen reported she spoke to Senator Maziarz regarding pending Village grants while she was in Albany recently. She was told the Legislature must now move on them but he will continue to check on these grants on behalf of the Village.

Norman Swann asked about the labor union. Attorney Caserta advised him of an upcoming meeting next Thursday. Mr. Swann then discussed the grinding of Village roads, many roads are too low and that there is not a good base under some roads. He stated he has driven around the Village and agreed East Oak Terrace was in bad shape. Mayor Reynolds stated that is why we set priorities of which streets need work. Fred Stephens of Carrollwood Dr. stated asphalt prices will be raised significantly because of petroleum costs and suggested the Village start work soon before prices rise. Jack Bush of Third St. asked if the road grindings were re-used or taken away. Norman Swann stated they are taken away. Mr. Bush suggested the Village re-use the grindings by mixing them into the paving material, thus saving money. He also stated the State uses this practice. Deputy Mayor Adamson stated a special machine would be needed to do the re-use method.

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

Respectfully submitted,