

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 29, 2012

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Deputy Mayor Suitor, Trustees VanDeusen, Lockhart, Adamson, DPW Superintendent Muller, Building Inspector Stevens and some residents.

Mayor Reynolds went to Agenda item #3 – a presentation by Alan Hastings pertaining to his property at 346-348 Main Street and also his property at 201 Lockport Street/Heritage Auto. Mr. Hastings then explained how he will be remodeling Heritage to add up-to-date equipment and facilities to accommodate the customers and also will be adding a shuttle for the customers who wish to leave their vehicle while it is being worked on. Mr. Hastings along with Ms. Nancy Sanger proceeded to show plans for 346-348 Main Street. They no longer will be pursuing senior housing but plan on building patio homes – 65 feet deep by 24 feet wide with a two car garage. Mr. Hastings stated he would like to purchase the DPW compound and if the Village agrees he plans on 11 units. If he cannot purchase the DPW he will plan on 4 or 5 units. Mayor Reynolds then asked the public if they had any comments about Mr. Hastings project and Ms Victoria Quarantillo who is the owner of Victoria's Family Hair Care was concerned about how this would effect the parking situation of her business. Mr. Hastings then explained that a one-way street would run along the side of her business and should cause no interference with her salon. A short discussion then took place and the Board thanked Mr. Hastings.

Mayor Reynolds then asked if anyone else from the public had any comments. Ms. Christine Gaffney then stated that she will be opening a Skin Spa in the same building as Victoria's Family Hair Care. Ms. Quarantillo stated that she remodeled the back part of her salon and that is where Ms. Gaffney's business will be. She handed out brochures and business cards to the Board Members and asked if they would be available to do a ribbon cutting ceremony. The Board asked Ms. Gaffney to call the Village Office and set up a date to hold the ceremony.

Ms. Tina Marin from Glenvale asked the Board if they could extend the brush pick-up in the future until November 5th. The Board assured her they would discuss this and consider it for next year. With no further comment from the public the Mayor continued with the meeting.

Building Inspector Stevens had asked Mr. Jim Acome and Mr. Bob Lannon to update the Board and inform them that Kistner would like to get going as soon as possible on the casts for the dock. There will be 3 sections and Mr. Acome stated he would need a purchase order form and a tax exempt letter. The Clerk will provide the forms for Mr. Acome. Trustee Adamson then motioned to have Kistner go ahead with the casts and seconded by Trustee VanDeusen and carried. Building Inspector Stevens also pointed out the great job the DPW does around the Village. He stated they are good, hard workers.

Police Chief Salada was absent and had submitted his report at the November 8, 2012 meeting.

DPW Superintendent Muller reported that there were two water main breaks this past week, one on Lockport Street and one on Elm Street. Trustee Adamson suggested that the Village should try to get a grant to replace the water lines along Lockport Street. He also suggested to Superintendent Muller to get in touch with Niagara County to see if they plan to re-surface Lockport Street in the near future so the lines can be replaced at that time. Superintendent Muller stated he would look into it.

Attorney Caserta was absent.

Minutes from the November 8, 2012 meeting were approved by Deputy Mayor Suitor with the exception of #5 on the agenda pertaining to Ullrich Lane Stub Street. Deputy Mayor Suitor would like to talk to Attorney Caserta about this issue. Seconded by Trustee Lockhart and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Utility taxes received from TWC Digital Phone - \$86.29, Granite Telecommunications - \$1.36, AT&T Communication of New York - \$4.24, Vonage America - \$6.88. Niagara County Sales Tax for the Month of October 2012 - \$29,563.03, up \$1,435.99 from same period last year. So noted.
2. A reminder of the upcoming family event, Christmas in the Village to be held on Saturday, December 8, 2012. So noted.

AGENDA

1. The Abstract of Audited Vouchers for period ending November 29, 2012 – General Fund - \$107,149.71, Water Fund - \$1,012.94, S3234 Fund - \$618.22 was approved by motion of Trustee Adamson and seconded by Deputy Mayor Suitor and carried.
2. 2013 Holiday Schedule for Modern and Village Holidays, to be inserts in the Niagara Frontier Publication Sentinel the week of December 8, 2012. On reverse side of the holiday schedule will be the list of recyclable materials. Motion to approve Deputy Mayor Suitor and seconded by Trustee Adamson and carried.
3. Presentation by Alan Hastings concerning plans for 346 Main Street and also for Heritage Auto. See beginning of the public comment.

REPORTS

Trustee VanDeusen reported she attended the RRG Meeting and they stated that CWM is applying for a permit to expand and also increase the tonnage from 100 to 150. RRG and the Governor think we have had enough in this area. RRG is also watching when the trucks are running and they are in violation by running trucks during the hours they shouldn't and also some trucks are leaking. Trustee VanDeusen reported there will be a public hearing at the School on January 14, 2013. One will take place at 5:00 p.m. and another will be at 7:00 p.m. She also reported the International Joint Commission regulating water levels is on hold. Trustee VanDeusen stated that the Canadian Government regulates the development of their shore lines and was looking at the south shore and wondering why we built here. She stated that eventually residents along here will lose their property.

Trustee Lockhart reported that he recently met with Building Inspector Stevens and Mr. Lannon to discuss the cold storage and the safety issue. They stated that the overhead piping and the structure itself is falling apart and would like to remove these. He also stated that Mr. Lannon would do a sample testing on the roof of the building behind the cold storage to determine if asbestos is present. Mr. Lannon stated the testing would cost about \$150.00 - \$200.00. The Mayor then asked the Clerk to check the files and see if it had been previously tested.

Trustee Lockhart motioned to approve Building Inspector Stevens to be the Stormwater Management Officer for the Village with a stipend of \$8,000.00 and seconded by Deputy Mayor Suitor and carried.

Trustee Lockhart is also looking into electronic recycling. He stated the Village of Lewiston uses Sun King.

Trustee Lockhart stated he is looking into purchasing for the DPW a trench box for \$5,800.00 and a hydraulic pipe cutter (snapper) at a cost of \$3,000.00 for safety and strait cut of the pipe which is very important when repairing water main breaks.

Deputy Mayor Suitor had no report.

Trustee Adamson questioned whether the Water Street Extension/Ferry Street going back to the North Park is a right-away. Attorney Caserta will be asked to clarify.

Trustee Adamson asked if there was any update on the \$18,000.00 grant.

He stated that Susan Dietz from the Town of Porter Historical Society has had a lot of inquiries about updates for the Vets Memorial. Trustee Adamson suggested that an advertisement be put in two newspapers – Niagara Gazette and Sentinel – the first of the new year asking anyone interested to pick up the paperwork and give them ninety days to

return the information to the Historical Society. Trustee Adamson also informed the Board that Michael Riordan has volunteered to do the printing again. Mr. Riordan also stated that the last update was in November 2008 and as of that date there are 1185 names on the Memorial.

Trustee Adamson also brought in copies of plans for a Lewiston Senior Center and Recreational Facility. The building will be located in front of Lewiston-Porter School and will be self sustained with no cost to the people. The estimated cost will be 8 million and Severson Construction will be the builder. There will be a parking lot to accommodate 300 vehicles. The School Board has not approved this project yet, it is still in the works.

Mayor Reynolds stated the next Board Meeting will be December 20, 2012.

With no further business Trustee Adamson made motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Deputy Mayor Suitor and carried. Meeting closed at 8:20 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Cynthia J. Tripoli
Deputy Clerk Treasurer