

VILLAGE OF CAPE VINCENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES DEC 11, 2007

Mayor Timothy D. Maloney opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees Alan Ada, Joseph Gould, Robert Doud and Douglas Putnam present.

Trustee Putnam would like the previous minutes be changed to show the discussion for the increase in the price of codebooks occurred before the executive session while the public was present. With this change, Trustee Doud made the motion to approve the minutes as written with Trustee Putnam seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The Board reviewed Abstract 7 as follows:

General:	\$48,137.86
Water:	21,585.82
Sewer:	28,682.11

A bill from the firm of Slye and Burrows will be added to the water abstract for payment and the bills of Bernier Carr Associates will be added to the appropriate abstracts for payment. Trustee Gould made the motion to approve the abstract for payment along with the addition of the above bills with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Coleman and Patricia Hinckley, 145 S. James Street, addressed the Board concerning parking at Aubreys Inn. Many times they have observed the sidewalk at the Inn and Restaurant blocked by the customers cars with one car not being moved for a month as they rent an apartment over the Inn. They also complained beer bottles and garbage is thrown on their property by patrons of the Inn. They would also like the no parking area removed from in front of their home. Mayor Maloney explained the Village is consulting the NYS Department of Transportation to see if diagonal parking on Rte 12 would be possible and this would open up parking for patrons of the Inn. The Mayor further explained the police department is in the midst of reorganizing and instructed the Officer in Charge to monitor these problems. Mayor Maloney will speak with the owner of the Inn and contact the Hinckley's with the results of his conversation.

Carol Fleming, Esselstyne Street, requested written correspondence from the Board acknowledging the Village is aware her new home does not meet the proper setbacks from Village property. She had been to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a decision and their recommendation was she ask the Board for a written letter before they could make a decision. Trustee Doud made the motion that the Village acknowledges the house does not meet Village setbacks but does not present a problem with Village plowing of the sidewalk and general upkeep of the sidewalk. Trustee Gould seconded the motion with all voting yes. A discussion was held on whether lots with new construction should be surveyed before building.

Trustee Ada made the motion for the Village to apply for a Shared Municipal Service Incentive grant in conjunction with the Town of Cape Vincent for a purchase of a gradall with Trustee Doud seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Marty Mason, Dpw Supt. gave the Village report as follows:

1. Waterline on S. Market has been installed and the contractor will return in the spring to complete landscaping of the project. The James St. water tower has been disconnected from the water system

and is scheduled for removal in the spring at the Town of Cape Vincent expense. Trustee Doud questioned the Supt. if the Village had a written release from the NYS Department of Health for lead contamination with the Supt. replying yes.

2. Storm drain work on Market is continuing but with slow progress because of weather and the clay pipe used years ago in the project
3. The Supt. is concerned with the house on Kelsey Lane whose foundation is being repaired and its proximity to the lane. Mayor Maloney will contact the Village Attorney to determine the liability to the Village.
4. The Supt. is awaiting delivery of gabions to complete the work near the Village dock.

Trustee Doud asked the Supt. to check the water pressure at the Dudek home on Elm Street because of the low water pressure he is experiencing. The Supt. will check the system.

Two quotes were received as follows for boiler repair at the Library building:

1. CV Plumbing and Heating \$5100.00
2. Mason Plumbing \$5575.00

After discussion, Trustee Doud made the motion to accept the quote of CV Plumbing and heating with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Thomas Strojlaw, Officer in Charge for the Police Department, gave a written review of his departments goal and a rough draft of his budget for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. As a supplement to this year's budget he would like to purchase gun lockers, do office renovations, buy equipment lockers, blinds and purchase a radio repeater system. The law building also needs outside lightning and the security alarm system should be upgraded. The DPW Supt. agreed to help with building alterations to reduce cost and contact the alarm company for information to upgrade the system. Mayor Maloney stated the Village intends to have reorganization of the department completed by spring of 2008 and if residents have an emergency they should dial 911.

Paul Paventi, Zoning Board of Appeals member, gave an overview of the changes to the present vegetation law. He and Trustee Doud met to discuss the present law and how it could be updated to better serve the Village. The draft law would better improve enforcement and improve the appearance and health of the Village. The Board will review the draft for the Jan. 2008 meeting.

Barbara Steinhouse, resident asked if the Village had taken any action on building a dock at the East End Park to which the Mayor replied the Village has not taken any action on a dock.

Mayor Maloney reported he had attended the annual Local Development Corporation meeting.

Mayor Maloney brought before the Board the request of Horne Transportation for assistance from the Village in applying for funding from the Ferry Discretionary Plan. They need a resolution of support with no monetary commitment. Trustee Doud made the motion to support the application of Horne Transportation with Trustee Ada seconding the motion. Mayor Maloney and Trustee Putnam voted yes with Trustee Gould voting no. Trustee Putnam questioned if the Village should increase the rent to Horne Transportation for the office they rent at the Law Building. The Clerk will distribute the lease agreement for Board review.

Mayor Maloney reported garbage is being placed curbside at the Rocker residence on S. Market Street even though it is believed the resident has moved. There has been minimal water usage and few visible car tracks in the snow. Mayor Maloney reported the Village Attorney stated if the refuse was not generated in the Village it is not eligible for pickup. Mayor Maloney will inform the resident the refuse will not be picked up.

William Brownlie, resident was present to ask if progress had been made on his complaints. Trustee Doud will contact the Code officer for a progress report and then Trustee Doud will report to Mr. Brownlie.

The Board set a date inspect the Sulier property to better understand the subdivision plan before the plan is forwarded to the Planning Board for a decision. Trustee Doud will abstain from the project inspection.

Trustee Gould made the motion to enter an executive session at 7:24 PM to discuss personnel with Trustee Doud seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Trustee Gould made the motion to reenter regular session at 7:49 PM with Mayor Maloney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

There were no results of the executive session.

Trustee Doud made the motion to adjourn at 7:55 PM with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Knapp  
Village Clerk