

Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees July 13, 2010

Mayor Timothy D. Maloney opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees Pam Youngs, Alan Ada, and Douglas Putnam present. Trustee Joseph Gould was absent.

Mayor Maloney asked the Clerk to check the spelling of contaminates. With this correction Trustee Ada made the motion to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting minutes and accept them as written with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Abstract 2 were given to the Board for review as follows:

General	\$13,869.73
Water	8,142.81
Sewer	8,533.73

After questions and review, Trustee Putnam made the motion to pay Abstract 2 with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

DPW Supt., Marty Mason, gave a report of his activities as follows:

1. French Festival set up and clean up has been completed with the help of the NYS Correctional Facility
2. Paving will be on Thursday of this week in different areas of the Village
3. Employee, K. Cataldo, will be off work due to a shoulder injury
4. Employee T. Kozlowski will be removing one sewage tank from service for cleaning
5. Mowing is continuing
6. Sidewalk installing will begin in the next few weeks
7. Due to the cost of a cleaning service a Village employee may clean law building after regular work hours

A discussion was held on whether or not it would be prudent to remove hazardous Village sidewalks and replace them with crushed stone or what liability would the Village incur if the sidewalk was removed entirely. Mayor Maloney will check with the Village Attorney on this matter. Trustee Putnam questioned if replacement of sidewalk should be part of the building permit process. The Village will contact homeowners notifying them the sidewalk that was broken during construction must be replaced according to Village specifications at their expense. If not corrected the Village DPW will repair the sidewalk and the homeowner will be billed.

Mayor Maloney will check with the Village Attorney concerning standardization of equipment that will be used for the sewer plant project and accessories. The Village may be able to adopt a resolution before the bidding process begins.

Trustee Ada made the motion to hire Shawn Bulger as part time police officer at the rate of \$17.51 retroactive to July 1, 2010. Trustee Putnam seconded the motion with all voting yes.

Mayor Maloney informed the Board he has learned the Zoning Board of Appeals cannot grant a variance for property owned by the Village. It is the responsibility of the Village Board to grant a variance for the Village right of way. The Board must decide if the structure at Gouvello Street be permitted to stay on the Village right of way or be removed. A discussion was held on whether or not this could set a precedent in the Village for other construction that could be put on the Village right of way. A decision was delayed until the full Board is present.

The Village Attorney will send a template for unsafe buildings for the Board review. He also explained the quiet title for the James Street property is moving forward.

Trustee Ada made the motion to set Tuesday, August 10th at 6:00 PM as the public hearing for Local Law 1-10. The law will increase sewer rates from \$65.00 per Quarter to \$95.00 per quarter for a single unit with increments for more than one unit used. Trustee Youngs seconded the motion with all voting yes.

The Local Development Corporation asked the Mayor to check the interest of the Village Board in revisiting the Harbor of Refuge Project and Welcome Center project. The LDC would like to review the former plans and perhaps draw from them for smaller projects. The Board was supportive of their interest.

The Village has received \$19,956.80 for the East End Project.

Trustee Putnam made the motion to adjourn at 6:53 PM with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Knapp

Village Clerk