

VILLAGE OF CAPE VINCENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEPT. 11, 2007

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

Trustee Putnam requested two words be deleted as it was repetitive. With this correction, Trustee Putnam made the motion to accept the previous meeting minutes with Trustee Doud seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Abstract four was given to the Board for review as follows:

General:	\$15,920.18
Water:	18,189.10
Sewer:	10,228.31

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

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

1. Ainsworth Lane has been surveyed with construction to start this week to ready it for paving
2. Some Village streets were "paved" on Sept. 7th
3. He sent a letter to the DEC outlining sewer lines that were capped and DEC officials requested to meet with the Supt. and Board members to discuss the progress made by the Village sometime during the month of October
4. Water tank in the township has been filled up to 15 feet-Village will not be able to continue to fill the tank until the Village replaces some pumps. Trustee Doud asked if the tank has a pressure regulator with the Supt. replying no but the Village should not see more than 15 pound pressure increase but cautioned some of the older homes may have a problem
5. Employee, K Cataldo, is still off due to knee surgery and another employee will be off from work until the end of the month with an arm injury. The Supt. explained there is no light duty as with an arm injury it could be re-injured easily. He informed the Board the town of Cape Vincent would assist with laborers if necessary.

Trustee Doud related to the Board the request of Roxy's Restaurant on Broadway to have an area designated for handicap parking. Mayor Maloney will contact the NYS DOT concerning this request.

The Village Board along with the Village Police Officer in charge interviewed four candidates for positions with the Village Police Force. The budget will be checked before hiring.

Planning Board Chairman, Jeffrey Herpel, stated the Planning Board will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> and a possibly decision will be made on a office setting on Club Street. He also commented a person is operating a Boarding House outside of Village code requirements With Trustee Doud questioning if it really illegal. Mr. Bescher has replied to the Code Enforcement Officers request by completing site plan review papers.

Trustee Doud reported he had questioned the Village Assessor on how Village homes are assessed, stick built versus manufactured homes. He has compiled questions for the assessor and Mr. Barnard

will be in attendance at the next meeting to inform the Board on how assessment values are reached and answer any other questions.

Trustee Putnam reported he had met with representatives of NYS Parks and Recreation regarding possible commercial construction at the East End Park. They stated the Village would not have to replace this portion of the park that will be used as commercial as long as the dock and land would not continuously be used for a six-month period. Ships would dock and unload but after this use the dock would be open for public use until another ship came in. Trustee Putnam firmly stated the Village will furnish land but the local windmill company must pay for the dock construction. A resident asked who would pay for the cost study just completed with Mayor Maloney stating he had spoken with the engineers and the study would be between \$300.00 and \$500.00 dollars. Ms. Steinhouse asked the bill be forwarded to the Town of Cape Vincent as the local windmill company has given them \$25,000.00 for incidental uses for bills the Town occurs pertaining to the company. Town Board member, Marty Mason, responded the Town would not be responsible for this bill.

James Docteur, code enforcement Officer, reported two permits have been issued and a newly constructed house on Esselstyne Street may have been built on Village property.

Trustee Doud read a resolution that would approve an amendment to Local Law2-05. Jeffrey Herpel Planning Board Chairman objected to the Board voting on the amendment as he read from the Village code the amendment should have been given to the Planning Board for a twenty-day review. Trustee Doud responded Planning Board members have had notice since last fall of the changes with Mr. Herpel stating changes to the amendment have been made since that time. After discussion, the Planning Board will review the amendment at their Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> meeting and comment at the next Village meeting.

Trustee Putnam will contact the Village engineers to determine the status report for the pump upgrades at the Village water plant. Mayor Maloney contacted the attorney who is preparing the water contracts and will review Exhibit A with him.

Resident, Ken Herpel, asked the Board who is responsible to trim trees that are on a neighboring property but reach over on to another person's property. Mayor Maloney responded it is a universal determination that a property owner has a right to trim branches that overhang on their property from the neighboring property.

Trustee Alan Ada made the motion to hire Thomas Strejlau as Part time police officer at the rate of \$14.00 per hour and Charles Ruggiero at the rate of \$12.75 per hour. Trustee Doud seconded the motion with all voting yes. Coleman Hinckley, resident, had complaints about parking at Aubrey's Inn and the no parking zone in front of his residence. Mayor Maloney will check Local law 2-06.

Trustee Putnam made the motion to adjourn at 6:54 PM with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Knapp, Village Clerk

