

VILLAGE OF CAPE VINCENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES FEB. 12, 2008

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

Trustee Gould made the motion to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting minutes and accept them as written with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes. Trustee Doud abstained, as he was absent on January 22nd.

Michael Docteur, Jefferson County Legislator, announced a grant is available for coastal communities thru the United States Coast Guard. The deadline for applications is in March and the grant may apply to the Village Municipal Law Building or the East End Park. Mr. Docteur will be part of a telephone conference with grant officials toward the end of this week and then notify the Mayor of the requirements.

Mary Falcon, CV Garden Club representative, was in attendance to request funding for the 2008 season. The group requested \$750.00 for the 2008-2009-budget year and also would like the amount added as a line item in future budgets. The Club is also pursuing additional funding from the Town of Cape Vincent, local business, Improvement League and possibly Department of Transportation. The Mayor and Board will address the request at budget time. She would also like to meet with Village officials concerning the Cape Vincent Main Street Revitalization Grant and discuss the benefits the grant would bring to the downtown area.

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

1. Attended the NYS Department of Transportation meeting on the safe walk to school program. Mr. Mason relayed there is not much funding and does not recommend the program for the Village.
2. The company which will be removing the Village water tank will be mobilizing this week and start dismantling the tank next week
3. Snow removal and plowing is continuing
4. The NYS Department of Conservation in the Village has received grant in the amount of 1.2 million.
5. Three quotes for tree work was sent out with one response received by the Village from Davis Tree Service. The charge will be \$100.00 per hour and \$500.00 for cutting a tree down and stump ground out. The Board agreed to this proposal

Officer in Charge, Thomas Strejlau, informed the Board the alarm system has been upgraded at the Law Building and two offices have been combined into one. . He is working on a generic activity report and upgrading the radio system.

Trustee Ada recommended that Mary Glass clean the Law building at the rate of \$12.00 per hour once a week with the remainder of the Board in agreement.

Mayor Maloney opened the public hearing for Local Law 1-2008, vegetation at 6:00 PM. Trustee Doud explained the law was revised to address time limits for residents to address code violations. The former time limit for correction to violations was inadequate and now the violation must be addressed within fifteen days and fee for penalties have increased. Anyone with a valid interest in the property may submit a complaint in writing. Different questions were asked concerning what would be considered a "wild" area with the Board responding each area would be treated separately. Trustee Doud then made the motion to adopt Local Law 1-2008 and forward it to the Secretary of State for filing with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes. The hearing was closed at 6:20 PM.

Mayor Maloney gave the Board engineered plans for the electrical and mechanical upgrades at the Village water plant. Trustee Doud asked the status of the DANC water contracts. Mayor Maloney explained the contracts are progressing and will be completed in the near future with the Town of Cape Vincent contract to follow. The Treasurer will bill users of a privately owned line for water that was not metered on individual meters at the time the pipe broke.

Jeffrey Herpel, Planning Board chairman, stated his Board would address the plot plan for a subdivision off Route 12 at their next meeting. A discussion was held on responsibilities of all involved, as the Village code does not directly address subdivisions.

Barbara Steinhouse, resident, questioned the Board and Zoning Officer concerning the height of a newly constructed home near the East End Park. The code will be reviewed for the maximum height allowed for new construction.

Trustee Gould made the motion to adjourn at 7:25 PM with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Knapp
Village Clerk