

Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees June 28, 2011

Mayor Timothy D. Maloney opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees Pam Youngs, Alan Ada, Douglas Putnam, and Jerry Golden present.

Mayor Maloney asked a comma be placed and a period be deleted so the figure would read \$394,425.00 after correction. The Mayor also would like it be corrected to state he abstained on the vote to authorize payment for Bernier and Carr. With these changes, Trustee Ada made the motion to approve the minutes with Trustee Putnam seconding the motion and all voting yes with the exception of Trustee Golden who was absent for the previous meeting.

Urban Hirshey, Town supervisor, was present to advise the Board there will be a meeting to discuss the promotion of Cape Vincent with the Town of Cape Vincent on Thursday of this week and asked that Village Board members make an effort to attend.

Thomas Strejlau, Officer in Charge, gave Board members updated stat sheets for his department activities and a guideline he and officers use for patrols. All police officers evaluations are completed and approved by the officer in charge with no corrective action being needed. With this information, Trustee Golden made the motion to increase the officers wages according to scale with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes. He further stated the license plate reader needs correction and the French Festival policing schedule is completed.

Marty Mason, DPW Supt., updated the Board on activities as follows:

1. Sidewalk on Real Street has been removed and the sidewalk near Maple Grove will be removed because of dangerous blocks. The decision to remove or not to remove sidewalk on Gouvello St. near the Oswald residence will be tabled until 7-12-11 meeting
2. Yearly trash week pickup was completed in a timely manner with the assistance of the Town of CV employees and the NYS Correctional assistance
3. Three employees have completed mandatory safety training thru Jefferson County
4. Village will replace stone and topsoil at the Real St. site once the engineer gives the Village the testing results. The site has been cleared and the company has removed their equipment from the area. The neighboring house has been cleared of tape and plastic which was placed there during the project and the Village will replace two bags of mulch which was removed accidentally from their driveway. The Village will screen their own topsoil at a less expensive price than delivery

Trustee Putnam asked that the lower end of East End Park be cleared and sprayed for poison Ivy.

Kevin Jackson, purchaser of the home on 222 Wiley Blvd, requested the Board considering removing water/sewer relieves from the 2011-2012 tax bill. He had purchased the home at the Jefferson County Tax sale and did not know the amount of the current tax bill. He would also like to see the Village

review the system of relying rents and perhaps shut off Village users after the bill is in arrears for a few months. Mayor Maloney will contact the Village Attorney concerning these issues.

The present easement on the John DeFrancesco property on lower Market will be relieved when an updated easement is in place. It was also determined the pipe which is now buried will not have to be removed but Mayor Maloney will speak with the engineer about cost of removal if needed in the future. The new easement is for the sewer project.

A discussion was held on whether or not the Village would have separate contractors for the sewer plant and the lift stations. Mayor Maloney will check the numbers and consult the engineers to see if this is a necessity.

Jeff Call, Zoning Officer, was asked by the Board about the number of the unmowed lawns in the Village. Mr. Call responded he has a letter drafted for this situation and will be mailing them this week. A lawn on Esselstyne Street and one on Broadway will be mowed by the Village in order to present a neat appearance for French Day. The officer will contact the Village Attorney to see how to proceed with the Sovie case now that the Village has completed the background work.

Captain Jacks has requested to block off Club Street for French Festival Activities on July 9th and Aubrey's asked to block off the alley behind the market and use the area outside the Inn for activities. Both requests were approved by the Board.

Trustee Golden made the motion to authorize the Village to borrow \$100,000.00 and accept a grant not to exceed \$1,576,500.00 from the United States Department of Agriculture for the sewer project with Trustee Young seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Mayor Maloney made the motion to enter into an executive session at 7:06 PM to discuss personnel with Trustee Ada seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Trustee Putnam made the motion to resume regular session at 8:01PM with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes. There were no results of the executive session.

Trustee Putnam made the motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Knapp

Village Clerk