



VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, January 23rd, 2014 @ 4:30 PM

North Syracuse Community Center

700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began at 4:30 PM with Mayor Atkinson inviting everyone present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Mark Atkinson, Deputy Mayor Chuck Henry, Trustee Fred Fergerson, Trustee Paul Linnertz and Trustee Gary Butterfield all were present.

Personnel Present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Dianne Kufel, Parks Director Teresa Roth, Police Chief Michael Crowell, Ass't. Fire Chief Chris Strong, Codes Enforcement Officer Pam DiCarlo, Village Attorney Scott Chatfield, Village Engineer Amy Franco.

RESOLUTION # 011-14

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Fergerson made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 9th, 2014 Board Meeting. Trustee Butterfield seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 012-14

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Fergerson made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$183,899.38 covering Voucher #926 to Voucher #955; the motion was seconded by Trustee Butterfield. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 013-14

SEWER FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$63.00 covering Voucher #15; the motion was seconded by Trustee Fergerson. The motion was unanimously approved.

CITIZENS' VOICE: No response.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION # 014-14

ADOPTION OF THE VILLAGE CENTER MASTER PLAN

Mayor explained that when the Board viewed the finalized bound copy of the Village Center Master Plan in October of 2012. He continued to say that as a vision for the Village he is requesting that the



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Board adopt this Village Master Plan. Village Engineer, Amy Franco, suggested that once the Board adopts this we can use this as a vision for the Planning Commission for new applications that they are presented with. Mayor Atkinson made a motion to adopt the Village Center Master Plan 2025. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 015-14

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDING SEC. 169 OF VILLAGE CODE
PEDDLING AND SOLICITING

Mayor Atkinson made a motion to set a public hearing for Thursday, February 13th, 2014 at 6:29 PM to discuss amending Section 169 of the Village Code "Peddling and Soliciting". The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved. Trustee Linnertz inquired about the Clerk's role in the issuance of the permit and the Mayor's role in revoking or rescinding. Attorney Chatfield explained that the Mayor has the right to revoke or rescind the license and these modifications will broaden the scope to do this.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #016-14

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN THE (5) YR. INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT
WITH ONONDAGA COUNTY DEPT. OF WATER ENVIRONMENT
EFFECTIVE 2014 THRU 2018

Mayor spoke of legal counsel briefing the Board on this at our last meeting. Scott Chatfield confirmed that this is a standard MS4 agreement outlining what is required of us and what is required of the County and the compensation breakdown. Trustee Linnertz made a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the (5) year Intermunicipal Agreement with Onondaga County effective 2014 thru 2018. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION #017-14

APPROVE SPECIFICATIONS FOR CLEANING VLG. HALL
AND COMMUNITY CENTER

The Mayor explained that we will be requesting bids for cleaning services for Village Hall and the Community Center with a bid opening date of Monday, February 24th, 2014. Trustee Linnertz inquired if it was necessary that the Board approve all specifications as such. Attorney Chatfield explained that the Board does indeed need to approve any specifications that the Village is requiring a competitive bid on; and approve the advertising as well. Trustee Linnertz made a motion approving the specifications for Cleaning Services for Village Hall and the Community Center. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.



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ATTORNEYS REPORT: No Report

ENGINEERING REPORT: No Report

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT:

Police Department: No report

Fire Department: Ass't. Chief Strong explained that their department has been fairly steady thru January. He continued to say that he attended a structure fire on Maple Road this morning up in the Town of Clay. The Fire Dept. has a new member sworn in both by the Board and the Fire Dept. Assoc. They have a few new members that have completed their Firefighter 1 class and plan to cycle them in to ride in vehicles and respond to emergencies.

Highway Department – DPW Sup't. Gary Wilmer spoke of his crew concentrating on keeping the roads clear of snow. He continued to say that all of the holiday trees have been picked up as of today.

Parks Department: Parks Director Teresa Roth spoke of starting to plan for the family festival to be held on Saturday, May 24th, and that they are looking at some of the entertainment. She continued to say that her department is planning and booking some of the summer concert series.

Codes Department: Codes Enforcement Officer Pam DiCarlo spoke on Vecchios that is progressing. It looks great, the floors are nice, solid and sturdy. Blaze Gymnastics is expanding where the old Royal Image Shop was formerly at 709 N. Main Street.

Clerk Treasurer: Dianne Kufel spoke of the budget worksheets; and will distribute to each of the department heads tomorrow. Each Dept. will complete their operational expenses and a separate sheet is requested for their capital expenditures. This allows approximately 3 weeks to return back to the Clerk/Treasurer's office. She continued to say she will generate a 1st model from this once she compiles all of the requests.

DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEES REPORT:

Deputy Mayor Henry: No Report

Trustee Linnertz: No Report



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Trustee Ferguson: reminded all of the March 3rd, 2014 Public Safety Meeting on Monday at 4:00 PM downstairs at the Community Center in the small room. He continued to announce the articles he read about the Emerald ash borer beetle whereas the "cold" is killing them. He spoke of this weather not totally wiping them out but will set them back a few years.

Trustee Butterfield: spoke of the interest in the zoning maps and continuing with this task of clarifying some of the inconsistencies within our zones. Pam reminded the Board she has another meeting scheduled for February 25th, 2014.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Atkinson spoke of his continuing efforts with the Teamsters 317 negotiations. He spoke of the legislative breakfast that he attended with Trustee Ferguson, Town Supervisors, County Legislators, Village Mayors as well as Joanie Mahoney. The Mayor spoke of all of us trying to work together, sharing services and keeping the lines of communication. He continued to speak on the VIP monies (Village Infrastructure Program) and the Village Mayors have gotten together to see if we can benefit a little more from some of this. It appears that this is coming to fruition; although it has not been determined the exact amount of this. Governor Cuomo has put out his budget and he talks about all the different layers of government; so at this level, we have to be very smart on the way we operate. We need to be effective and efficient. We need to be in order to compete with the State. The Mayor spoke of the budget process that is beginning. The Dept. Heads will work on it and the next phase will be for the Dept. Head to sit with Mayor and go over. The Mayor will complete his budget and leave a 2 to 3 week window for the Trustees to go and get with the Dept. Heads on any particular questions they have. This will be the process for this year. The Mayor also mentioned that the Onondaga County Traffic Advisory Board gave out the awards this year and Officer Tripp received from our Police Department received the top award for 257 speeding tickets, he is a busy officer.

Trustee Butterfield made a motion to adjourn at 4:45 PM. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne M. Kufel
Village Clerk/Treasurer