



VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, May 9th, 2013 @ 6:30 PM

North Syracuse Community Center

700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began at 6:30 PM with Mayor Atkinson inviting everyone present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

RESOLUTION # 268-13

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 25th, 2013 Board Meeting. Trustee Linnertz seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 269-13

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Butterfield made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #24 in the amount of \$130,189.64, covering Voucher #1306 to Voucher # 1387; the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 270-13

SEWER FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to approve the Sewer Abstract #24 in the amount of \$8,799.00 covering Voucher #24; the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 271-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Butterfield made a motion to transfer \$550.00 from A7110.402 Parks Repairs to A7110.26 Parks Equipment; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 272-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to transfer \$1,500.00 from A5110.12 DPW Summer Help to A5010.12 DPW Equipment; the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was unanimously approved.



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RESOLUTION # 273-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to transfer \$1,000.00 from A3120.471 Police Gas and Oil to A3120.24 Police Equipment/Computers; the motion was seconded by Trustee Butterfield. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 274-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to transfer \$1,500.00 from A3120.443 Police Copier to A3120.24 Police Equipment/Computers; the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 275-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to transfer \$150.00 from A7181.400 Misc. Community Center to A7140.2 Playgrounds Equipment; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 276-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to transfer \$150 from A7181.447 Community Center Equip. Maint. to A7140.2 Playgrounds Equipment; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 277-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to transfer \$864.51 from A7110.447 Parks Bldg. Mtc. to A7110.23 Parks Kennedy; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 278-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to transfer \$700.00 from A3120.476 Police Vehicle Mtc. to A3120.24 Police Equipment/Computers; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mayor Atkinson welcomed back Officer Roberta Comerford, formerly a lieutenant colonel; saying she has been deployed for a year and is back. She would like to address the Board. Officer Comerford addressed the Board, The Mayor and the Department Heads and said "I thank you all for your support while I was away for a year and with that I donate this plaque to the Village". She continued to say that today marked



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her 15th year anniversary with the Village and is hopeful for another 15 years. She thanked everyone once again; the entire room applauded.

CITIZENS' VOICE: No response.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION # 279-13

AWARD TRASH/RECYCLING CONTRACT

The Mayor spoke of the Board receiving results of the sealed bid opening on Thursday, May 2nd. Bristol Enterprises was the low bidder although they failed to supply the bid bond as required in the bid documents; this precludes them as not a valid bidder. The Mayor continued to say that the next lowest bidder was Syracuse Haulers. The Mayor opened this up for any discussion. The Mayor made a motion awarding the trash/recycling contract to Syracuse Haulers for a (3) year period beginning on June 1, 2013 thru May 31, 2016 in the amount of \$1,139,184.00; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. Deputy Mayor Henry spoke of the past few years of service, and commented on the phenomenal service performance of Syracuse Haulers. The motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION # 280-13

APPROVE NEW MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPT.

The Mayor made a motion approving Zachary Gerald, Tiffany Gomes, Austin Sims and Eric Verbeke as new members of the North Syracuse Fire Dept.; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Mayor spoke of it being the 15th year anniversary of PACE CNY. Deputy Mayor Henry attended this event. Deputy Mayor Henry spoke of this being a very nice ceremony. He took a tour of the facility and was amazed at the wonderful work they do over there. He began to read the following proclamation:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Pace CNY is a program of all-inclusive care for the elderly and

WHEREAS, over the past 15 years Pace CNY has cared for 1,476 people and

WHEREAS, people who would have most likely needed to leave the homes they love and move to a skilled nursing facility and are able to participate in a local setting providing a wide spectrum of care and services



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WHEREAS, they strive to maintain participants in the community for as long as medically and socially feasible; with continued community residence, independence, family support, and minimal disruption of the older person's life are the guiding precepts

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mark S. Atkinson, Mayor of the Village of North Syracuse extend to them on behalf of our Community, our sincere congratulations on this 15th Year Anniversary

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand and cause the corporate seal of the Village of North Syracuse to be affixed this 8th day of May 2013.

RESOLUTION # 281-13

PACY CNY 15TH ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION

Mayor Atkinson made a motion to include the PACY CNY Proclamation as a part of the Board minutes; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 282-13

APPROVAL OF ABJ FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT 6/01/13 – 5/31/14

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the ABJ Fire Protection Agreement from June 1, 2013 thru May 31, 2014 for \$348. The motion was seconded by Trustee Butterfield. The motion was unanimously approved.

MS4 ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTATION

The Mayor spoke of the MS4 Annual Report presentation as being a mandate and as a requirement for the public education portion. He turned this over to Engineer Amy Franco from CHA. Amy explained this annual requirement and spoke: "The Village is mandated by the EPA to develop a stormwater management plan to address stormwater quality concerns within the Village. The plan is basically the Village's permit to discharge stormwater. The plan has been developed and has been fully implemented since January 1, 2008. The Village has completed their plan in accordance with the regulations. There are (6) minimum control measures that are required to be addressed by the stormwater management plan.

1. Public Education and Outreach – handles by the CNY Regional Planning and Development Board.
2. Public Participation and Involvement – The Village is responsible in getting the public involved , such as clean-ups, street monitoring, boy and girl scout volunteer activities.
3. Elicit Discharge Detection Elimination – The Village has 11 outfalls or places where stormwater discharges from its municipal boundaries. These locations are currently monitored via contracts with Onondaga County Dept of Water Environment Protection.



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4. Construction Sites for Water Runoff Control – All active construction sites must be inspected and erosion control measures must be in place to prohibit sediments transporting offsite or into waterways.
5. Post Construction Stormwater Management – After Project completion, the Village insures proper maintenance is being performed to be sure that ponds and other practices are functioning properly.
6. Pollution Prevention and Housekeeping of Municipal Operations – This mainly deals with the Highway Garage and insuring that contaminants are not entering the stormwater system.

Each year the Village is required to complete an annual report that documents the compliance of the plan. A draft of this report has been completed and is available at Village Hall and is also available on the website. We encourage the public to comment on the annual report as well as the Village's stormwater management plan. The Village also has a stormwater advisory group that meets periodically that consists of Dept. Heads, a representative from the Engineer's Office and the Mayor's Office. If anyone has an interest in being a part of this group you are more than welcome, and you can contact the Village Clerk/Treasurer for additional information."

RESOLUTION # 283-13

APPROVAL OF (3) PART-TIME HIRES FOR THE DPW

Mayor Atkinson made a motion to approve Brian West at \$9.25/hour, Neil Dorr at \$10.25/hour and Ron Forss at \$9.00/hour, all as seasonal part-time hires to assist with mowing; the motion was seconded by Trustee Butterfield. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 284-13

APPROVAL OF (2) PARKS SUMMER STAFF REHIRES

Mayor Atkinson made a motion to approve the rehiring of Courtney Kruger at \$10.50/hr. as a recreation leader for the Parks Staff and the rehiring of Danielle Luckenbaugh at \$11.75/hr. as a recreation leader for the Park Staff – both as seasonal employees; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 285-13

SURPLUS OF 2007 FORD EXPLORER/FIRE DEPT.

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to declare the 2007 Ford Explorer as surplus equipment and return it to the Fire Association for \$1.00 – VIN #: 1FMEU73EX7UB65031, the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was unanimously approved.

ATTORNEY REPORT: No Report.

ENGINEERING REPORT: No Report.



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DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT:

Police Department: Police Chief Crowell spoke of his department finishing up their in-service training; this is the final segment for the summer. He continued to say that he received positive notification that a grant was approved for \$1,700 for the vehicles/equipment to upgrade traffic tickets/reports in the field.

Highway Department: DPW Sup't. Gary Wilmer spoke of this department continuing to pick up brush and cleaning up of the parks. They are beginning to mow. He continued to say that Bulk Waste is a little heavier than expected; and the Electronic Waste pickups are slowing down. The Mayor spoke of these services as being great programs that only small communities like this can offer, the larger communities do not offer.

Parks and Recreation: Parks Director Teresa Roth spoke of the Summer Program Flyer will be mailed out in Sunday's Post Standard and the free Spree circulation. Summer Camp registration began yesterday, and forms are available on-line, as well. She reminded that Friday, May 17th is the Family Candy Bingo Night, at the Community Center; call her office to sign up. She also mentioned the Family Festival at Loneragan Park on May 25th with free entertainment. The Memorial Day Parade is set for Monday, May 27th at 9 AM, from Main Street at Loneragan Park up to Vet's Memorial Park; there will be live entertainment this year. Teresa continued to say that pool passes will begin to be issued from their office on Monday, May 20th. Lastly, the Disc Golf grand opening at Heritage Park will be on Saturday, June 8th at 10:00 AM.

Codes Department: Codes Enforcement Officer Pam DiCarlo spoke of her Department is now able to notarize documents. She continued to say that her office has been busier with residents coming in for deck permits and pool permits.

Clerk-Treasurer: Dianne Kufel spoke of the Centerville Park Project and the specification package still awaits for the completed survey. She spoke of the specifications being presented to the Board at the June 13th meeting for approval with a bid opening date in early July. She also mentioned that the IRS contacted her and will be doing a compliance audit; as well as the NYS Comptroller's Office is reviewing all of the documentation to support the 2% Tax Cap Requirement for FY 2012/2013.

DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEES REPORTS:

Trustee Linnertz: No Report.

Trustee Fergerson: made mention of the next Public Safety Meeting which is Monday, June 3rd at 4:00 PM at the Community Center, small room on the right.



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Trustee Butterfield: is very pleased with the disc golf addition at Heritage Park and to the Village, finally after several years. He also spoke of Chestnut Street and is concerned as there is no shoulder and is very dangerous riding bikes and walking; he is very interested in wider shoulders.

Deputy Mayor Henry: spoke of his attending the opening of little league season on Saturday with 500 kids, and the team banners. He also mentioned the Family Fun Festival and his appointment at the dunk tank at 4:30 PM.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor made mention of the resurfacing of the parking lot over near Plank Road Printing and across from the Basil Leaf. He also commented on his recent visits to 102 South Main Street, just north of Syracuse Realty, she is renovating the inside and we provided her with some grant information that she can apply for. He also commented on his NYCOM Conference on Monday that focused on two hot topics. The first being health insurance, the upcoming changes; and the relationship between fire departments within Villages. There is much confusion across the state on who is responsible for what. He continued to say that basically, the Village is responsible for the funds and they put the fires out. He also mentioned the I81 Challenge whereas he went to an informational meeting regarding the elevated bridge; they educated us all on some interesting data and encourages any and all to attend one of these meetings, if you want your opinion to be heard. The Mayor spoke of his attempts to negotiate the Teamsters 317 Contract for the Clerical Staff; this continues to be ongoing. He also mentioned that he plans to discuss the solicitors in the Village at our next Board Meeting; he is focusing on not permitting the "for-profit" groups to solicit in the Village.

Trustee Butterfield made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 PM; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne M. Kufel
Village Clerk/Treasurer