



VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, May 23rd, 2013 @ 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 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 # 286-13

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9th, 2013 Board Meeting. Deputy Mayor Henry seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 287-13

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #25 in the amount of \$87,472.80, covering Voucher #1388 to Voucher # 1455; the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 288-13

SEWER FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to approve the Sewer Abstract #25 in the amount of \$89.22 covering Voucher #22 and Voucher #23; the motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 289-13

BUDGET TRANSFER

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to transfer \$1,750.00 from A3620.11 Codes Enf. Officer Personal Services to A3620.46 Codes Dept. Process/Zoning Maps; the motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Henry. The motion was unanimously approved.

CITIZENS' VOICE: No response.



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OLD BUSINESS:

DISCUSS SOLICITORS/BACKGROUND CHECKS – “FOR PROFIT”/“NOT-FOR-PROFIT”

The Mayor said he will leave this on old business. The Mayor said his intent was to have this finalized at this point, although he has not finished his study as of this date. The Mayor reiterated the votes on the poll question on our website; with the majority of the residents not wanting solicitation in the Village. He continued to say that he will leave this on the agenda under “Old Business” as he wants to be sure the Board reviews this thoroughly.

RESOLUTION # 290-13

APPROVAL OF PARKS SUMMER STAFF WITH INCREASES

The Mayor spoke of the list distributed to the Board to accept the Parks staff as presented with the increases suggested from Teresa Roth, Parks Director. Teresa explained the Pool Staff to be effective as of June 10th, and the Parks Staff effective as of June 24th. This schedule (Attachment A) will become an attachment in the minutes. Mayor Atkinson made a motion to accept the staff and salaries as recommended to the Board. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # 291-13

APPROVE INSURANCE PROVIDERS FOR FY 2013/2014

Mayor Atkinson spoke of some due diligence taking place this current week, and especially in the office today obtaining competitive quotes for the Village's Property-Casualty Insurances. He continued to speak on this being a time-sensitive item whereas the coverage would be effective as of June 1 and requested feedback and dialogue from the Board, although was planning to vote on this at this meeting. Clerk/Treasurer Dianne Kufel explained the process, who quoted, and some of the particular significant differences in the coverage. Alan Wright was also in the audience from Eastern Shores and spoke on a few significant differences in the NYMIR policies. NYMIR is a non for profit organization that is run by Public Officials. He spoke of the defense limits with the other carriers – defense is unlimited – outside the limit of liability – unlimited defense with NYMIR. Discussions took place on replacement costs of vehicles up to 10 years, rather than 5 years; and the Fire Dept. vehicles were replaced at 100% at actual replacement value regardless of age. It was further noted that next year we will be sure to specify a deadline next year for submittal and reject any submittals after this due date mainly because of the complexity of the different options available for coverage. Scott Chatfield spoke very highly of NYMIR whereas they only deal with municipal insurance. Mayor Atkinson made a motion authorizing Eastern Shore to continue coverage for FY 2013/2014 for General Liability/Property/Casualty/Auto Public Officials and Police Professional Insurances for \$89,777; the motion was seconded Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Chatfield suggested that the Board should be reviewing the Cable Franchise



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Agreement with Time Warner. He suggested to start-up some negotiations and someone should be designated to speak on behalf of the Village to negotiate it all. Mayor requested Scott's review and negotiating some benefits for the Village, and distribute copies to the Board and the Mayor will follow up with Scott and discuss this.

ENGINEERING REPORT: Amy Franco spoke of updating the zoning map and working with Pam DiCarlo. She continued to say that it had not been done since 2008; it is being updated to reflect current conditions as they are now or existing conditions. All Trustees need to review that zoning map before it is signed off by the Village Clerk/Treasurer. The Mayor requested all of the trustees to review this and direct any questions to Pam. Amy mentioned looking at some of the funding opportunities that is available from the DOT providing some monies for the Streetscape Plans for the Village. It is for streetscape, benches, lighting, esthetics, and fits very nicely on the projects involving Rt. 11. She spoke of a workshop that is a requirement prior to submitting an application.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Department: Chief Crowell spoke of an event last Sunday at the North Syracuse Baptist Church for Law Enforcement Day. He was very proud to represent the Village along with the Onon. County Sheriff, Undersheriff, and State Police.

Highway Department: DPW Sup't. Gary Wilmer spoke of his department preparing for the Family Festival and the Parade to be held on Monday, May 27th at 9 AM beginning at Loneragan Park.

Codes Department: Codes Enforcement Officer Pam DiCarlo spoke of the fire at Vecchios whereas it was temporarily shut down until we received the official engineering report. Gianelli Sausage received their final inspection for their property. She also spoke of her department sending out notifications to several residents for long/overgrown grass.

Clerk/Treasurer: Dianne Kufel spoke of the year closing ahead of us and the new budget cycle beginning. She reminded that Jessica has been out for (6) weeks and made mention of her returning and assisting at the front desk. The Village has missed her; the Village lobby is beginning to be a busy place for summer camp, parks, and the Codes Office.

DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEES REPORTS:

Trustee Linnertz: No report. Trustee Linnertz requested to go into Exec. Session to discuss a personnel matter.

Trustee Ferguson: made mention of the MS4 Report whereas North Syracuse had received the highest rating and it was marked as only being satisfactory. He announced that the next Public Safety Meeting will be held on Monday, June 3rd at the Community Center - small room on the right.



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Trustee Butterfield: made reference to a sign that has been up for a year now for a grand opening on Rt. 11 and another sign that has been up for an extended period of time on Bear Rd. He continued to speak on focusing on facilitating a meeting with the Sign Committee once again.

Deputy Mayor Henry: spoke of the Family Festival and invited all to come for a good time; there is much to do for the kids, alot of food and a special presentation for the Fire Dept. celebrating their 100 year anniversary in the Village.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Atkinson made mention of Village Hall being closed on Monday for the Memorial Day holiday. He continued to make reference to the start-up of the negotiations with Teamsters 317 regarding the clerical workers contract, although he/they have failed to show up or call for that matter for the first two meetings. The Mayor spoke of a group of individuals from Solvay putting together some statistics comparing Villages on spending, fund balance, and tax increase(s); we look as good as any of them, we look "very well" in comparison. The Mayor requested that the Board receive a copy of this so they can review also. Mayor mentioned the last Mayor's meeting and a representative from Senator Schumer's office, Angelo Roefaro/Regional Director attended; he is working with Villages as another resource we can go to. The Mayor mentioned redoing some signage on the front of the building and modifying the signage offering better direction for residents. He continued to say that Jessica is cleared back to work to help with administrative tasks on Friday only. We are trying to save and rotate clerks at the front desk although the Mayor noticed himself assisting residents as they walk in Village Hall. Mayor mentioned a grievance being filed from the DPW Union - CSEA, pertaining to the negotiations that were passed recently; more to follow. The Mayor mentioned the MS4 inspection although the Village did very well and credited CHA and the Dept. Heads for this unfunded mandate.

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 5:23 PM. The motion was seconded by Mayor Mark Atkinson. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board returned to regular session at 5:44 PM. Trustee Butterfield made a motion to adjourn at 5:45PM. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ferguson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne M. Kufel
Village Clerk/Treasurer



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ATTACHMENT A

Staff Name	Position	Proposed Pay Rate	Pay Rate – Last Year
Steve Tuttle	Swim Facility Manager	\$10.25	\$9.00
Ken Ryan	Asst. Swim Facility Manager	\$ 9.25	\$8.00
Sarah Linnertz	Lifeguard	\$ 8.75	\$7.75
Kelly Boyle	Lifeguard	\$ 9.60	\$9.10
Josh Desimone	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00	\$8.50
Daniel Eager	Lifeguard	\$ 8.50	\$8.00
Sean Cooley	Lifeguard	\$ 8.50	\$8.00
Micaela Donabella	Lifeguard	\$ 8.25	\$7.75
Jordon Dunning	Lifeguard	\$ 8.25	\$7.75
Brandon Revere	Lifeguard	\$ 8.00	New
Scott Cooley	Lifeguard	\$ 8.00	New
Kacy Williams	Lifeguard	\$ 8.00	New
Katherine Carr	Recreation Activity Specialist	\$10.25	\$9.55
Kayla Cummings	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.50	\$8.00
Daniel Dennis	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.25	\$7.75
Jordon Walpole	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.25	\$7.75
Molly Harrington	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.25	\$7.75
Aryle Goss	Recreation Leader	\$ 9.35	\$8.60
Jamie Jaquay	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.50	\$8.00
Greg Roth	Parks Laborer	\$12.50	\$12.00
Sean Soboleski	Recreation Leader	\$ 9.25	\$8.50
Lauren Caveny	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.25	\$7.75
Justin Stewart	Recreation Activity Specialist	\$10.25	\$9.65
Danielle DiDone	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.50	New
Nathan Salisbury	Recreation Aide	\$ 8.25	New
Kristin Inthirakot	Recreation Aide	\$ 7.75	New
Madeline Slifka	Recreation Aide	\$ 7.75	New
Casey Wilmer	Recreation Aide	\$ 9.00	\$8.50