

June 24, 2014- Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

Mayor Timothy D. Maloney opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees Douglas Putnam, Elisabeth Brennan, Pamela Youngs and Jerry Golden present. Mayor Timothy Maloney welcomed the attendees and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Brennan made the motion to dispense with the reading of the June 10, 2014 meeting minutes and accept them as written with Trustee Putnam seconding the motion and the Mayor and Trustee Youngs voting yes. Trustee Golden abstained.

Attendee Sam Reeder from the Salvation Army then addressed the Board. He is with the Syracuse office of the Salvation Army and he would like to propose bringing back service units to Cape Vincent. He stated that the unit would be run by local volunteers and 90% of all donations will stay to help the residents of Cape Vincent. Many surrounding communities are running very successful service units and the organization will assist in getting the service unit up and running in Cape Vincent again. The Board thanked him for his time and stated that they will help in the search efforts for volunteers to start the service units again.

Attendee Kristi Dippel, from the Clayton Improvement Association and the director of the Clayton Local Development Committee, then addressed the Board. She informed the members of the Board on what her organizations can do to help out neighboring communities with home improvement assistance and other programs. Upon discussion, she asked that the Village be in contact with her/office for any assistance that is needed. If they are unable to assist, there are many other organizations that she has contacts for that may be able to assist.

Marty Mason, DPW Superintendent, gave his report as follows:

- The crew still continues to collect brush/compost.
- The two new temporary employees are doing well.
- The crew assisted in the set-up of the 1812 festivities.
- The garbage truck has some brake/tire issues. The crew is rebuilding and should have done within the next few days.
- The crew is mowing and trimming. The vacant homes of Sovie and Gushlaw have been brush-hogged. The crew will also have to attend to a property on William St.
- Industrial Appraisal Co. has been working with Marty over the past two days to value the assets of his departments.
- There is an individual that needs to perform 100 hours of community service. Marty has made arrangements to have the person come to help for the last three weeks of July while the crew is working on sidewalks.

- Marty has made arrangements to do work on Bay St. in August. The plan is to grind-out the current pavement from Carrier lane to the first driveway of Aubrey court and to have it remixed and reapplied. At that time, it is also recommended that the road be widened to 20 feet to accommodate traffic.
- The one-ton truck is currently at AMMCO in Watertown having the transmission fixed. It is due to be done on Thursday June 26.
- At the water plant, the contractor has finished the floor and new door. They are almost 100% complete.
- There was a water leak at a residence at Point St. The crew dug up to the lines and found that the contractors from the sewer project neglected to tighten the pipes correctly. It is now corrected.

Trustee Golden then asked when the contractor/engineers are going to be held accountable for all issues that are continuing to occur due to the project. A discussion took place. Marty has been asked to create a list to give to the engineers on all issues that have come about due to the project.

- Marty then stated that the lightning struck the static IP's but the issues are now all corrected and will ask STAT about installing equipment to keep it from occurring again.
- The hand held water meter reader has been received. Fourth Coast should be coming next week to start the work on the gateways.
- The electric motor at the raw water plant has gone up. It is being repaired and it is due back this week.
- At the sewer plant, the contractor has been back and done some finishing work to include grading and seeding the lift station on Bay St.
- The state received a complaint about a resident on Broadway St. selling antiques from the sidewalk to the street curb. Upon discussion, the Board will not take any action on this complaint at this time.
- Marty also researched the price of a new garbage truck. It is on the state contract and would be a 2014 International truck that would be priced at roughly \$105,000. Our current truck can be taken in on trade.

Trustee Brennan than had the following:

- Do we have any results from the auction yet? No.
- Current status of water meter installation? 70%
- College intern for the WW plant? Nothing new to report, asked to be on list for next year.

- The tree at the Tom Brown residence? Glen Roberts, NYS DEC Forrester, called today and will be down to look at the tree within the next week.
- The situation with the manhole on Bay St? Nothing new to report.
- Installing the banners? Yes, installed the ones that are in good shape. Many in disrepair.
- The mailbox at the Jim Hill residence? Will be picked up Wednesday June 25.

No Police Report was given. Mayor Maloney stated he spoke with OIC Streljau in regards to the Dock Law. It is still in same status as last year. The committee is going to review again. He also spoke to him about the ticketing system that was proposed by the Town Justice to appear on the Village parking tickets. OIC will look into restructuring the tickets. There is nothing new to report on Youth Court. Trustee Brennan asked if OIC was happy with the plant/tree situation at the Law building? Upon discussion, it was decided to send a letter to the Improvement League to thank them.

Mayor Maloney then stated that there is nothing new to report on the vacant house that a letter was received about on Centre St.

Zoning Officer, Perry Golden, then addressed the Board:

- He has had several complaints about long grass on a few properties around the Village. He is addressing the issues and making the proper contacts.
- The Planning Board, along with Perry, has been working on submitting recommended changes to the Zoning Code for the Village Board to review. The changes should be done around September.
- The Rossi project will be asked to submit a request for an amendment of the permit to allow for the extra two feet that exceeded the original permit.

Trustee Brennan stated at this point that she was surprised at the height of the building on Club St. and feels strongly that the zoning code does need to be revised.

Mayor Maloney had nothing new to report on the removal of the Village tree that is located near the Martini property.

Mayor Maloney also stated that he has a call into Tom Carmen with Samaritan to talk about the Cape Vincent Clinic and to work out some issues.

The Board then reviewed the budget funds set aside for the Community Development/Planner. Upon discussion, Trustee Golden made the motion to set forth the monthly payments to the Town of Cape Vincent in the amount of \$2,800.00 with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The Board then discussed assigning an authorized signor for any easements that are needed for Water District #6 in the Town of Cape Vincent. Upon discussion, the Board authorized Mayor Timothy D.

Maloney to be the authorized signor of the documents with Trustee Golden making the motion and Trustee Putnam seconding it and all voting yes.

At 7:34 pm, Trustee Youngs made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss applicant interviews for the W/WW operator position with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes.

At 7:42 pm, Trustee Brennan made the motion to exit executive session with Trustee Youngs seconding and all voting yes.

Trustee Golden made the motion to offer Gareth Hogan the W/WW operator position at a rate of \$16.00 per hour under probationary period with a 6 month time limit to receive his CDL license with Trustee Brennan seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Marty Mason did mention to the Board that Marcy Newman, from the USDA, was in an ATV accident. Upon discussion, Trustee Brennan made the motion to send her flowers not to exceed \$50.00 with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes. Mayor Maloney is going to get address.

Trustee Youngs made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm with Trustee Golden seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectively submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer