

Members Present: Mayor John Monson, Trustees Daniel Ferrente, Ken VanFleet and Sharon White

Others Present: Melanie Countryman, Chief David B. Smith, Colleen Penta, Allison Powell, Jerry Laird, Ray Wellington, Lori Tyler

Mayor Monson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Police Department

- Trustee VanFleet gave the Board members copies of the police work schedule for February. He then stated that the schedule will likely change a bit to allow for more coverage on Saturdays.
- The monthly activity report for January was distributed to the Board members. Mayor Monson gave Trustee VanFleet and Chief Smith copies of the traffic ticket totals for the past twelve months.
- Mayor Monson has reviewed the proposed Standard Operating Procedures and made some notes but he feels that the Board needs to work together to address some of the concerns. He would like to meet one half hour prior to the next Board meeting, scheduled for February 16, 2010 at 7:00pm to go over the Standard Operating Procedures with Chief Smith.

Highway Department

- Mayor Monson gave an update on the FEMA storm sewer project. The work on Jefferson Street has been completed, as has the main line going through Washington Street. Part of the work on Butler Street has been completed. The contractor's work crews are now digging across New Hartford Street. The progress has been slowed due to having to chip away at the bedrock.
- Mayor Monson reported that the motor for the sander on the white truck had to be replaced.

Water Department

- The Water Department van usually driven by Rick Miller is in need of replacement. Trustee Ferrente made the motion to approve purchase of a 2010 Chevy Express 1500 AWD Cargo Van from Hoselton Chevrolet at a total cost of \$24,303.84, the New York State contract price. Mayor Monson stated that the new van will get approximately eighteen miles per gallon compared to the six to seven miles per gallon the current Water Department van gets. This purchase was part of the budget planning. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- Mayor Monson read an email from Christopher Sharland of Sharland Waters. Mr. Sharland informed the Board that his bulk water hauling business has permanently ceased operations and requested the return of the \$500.00 deposit paid at the time he signed the Bulk Water Hauler agreement. Mayor Monson stated that there is no outstanding balance on the account. Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve refunding Sharland Waters the initial deposit of \$500.00 paid on their account. Trustee White seconded the motion. Trustee Ferrente abstained from voting. Mayor Monson, Trustees VanFleet and White voted in favor. The motion was carried.

Sewer Department

- Trustee Ferrente made the motion to approve issuance of a Request for Proposal of engineering services to upgrade the waste water treatment facility. Funding is provided by the USDA

Sewer Department (Continued)

and Rural Development and eligible applicants may receive up to 100% of the cost of engineering. Trustee VanFleet seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Mayor Monson stated that he would like to explore the possibility of compost beds at the waste water treatment facility.

- The Parkview Lanes property consists of three commercial business units: the bowling alley, a tax preparation office and a recently vacated storefront. There is one meter on the property and they are currently charged for three services. The owners have requested to have the number of services changed to two as the vacant unit is now used for storage only. Trustee White expressed some concern regarding making such a change when vacant apartments are still assessed a service charge. Mayor Monson will look into the matter.

Fire Department

- Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve the 2010 Fire Contract between the Village of Wolcott, Wolcott Fire Department and the Town of Wolcott, in the amount of \$24,051.00. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Fire Chief Ray Wellington stated that he would like to look at increasing the contract amounts in the future. Mayor Monson agreed and added that it would be more equitable to charge the participating towns an amount based on population and assessed value. Mayor Monson will be looking into the matter.
- The annual physicals are due for active members of the Fire Department. Chief Wellington stated that the facility which has done the physicals in the past, A.L. Lee in Fulton, is now closed. The medical records have been transferred to a facility in Syracuse. The price quoted by the new facility, with the same doctor, is \$57.00 per physical. The cost in previous years has been \$35.00 - \$37.00 per physical. The price quoted from Clifton Springs is \$90.00 per physical. Trustee White asked what the physical entailed and are the physicals quoted comparable in terms of the service received. Chief Wellington stated that the physicals were comparable. Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve the required physicals for all active Fire Department members at a cost of \$57.00 per physical, with a total not to exceed \$2,000.00. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Chief Wellington stated that the physicals will be conducted sometime during the month of February.
- The furnace at the Fire Hall recently needed repairs. R.L. Powers made three separate trips to make repairs and ultimately replaced two relays and the motor.
- A firefighter was injured on January 17, 2010 during ice rescue training. The individual has now been released by his physician to perform limited duties. Chief Wellington informed the individual that it was not possible to serve in the Fire Department under a limited duty restriction and that the individual cannot return to duty until fully released by the physician.
- Chief Wellington asked if a new Fire Department Commissioner had been appointed. Mayor Monson responded that a Commissioner has not yet been appointed and that he, as Deputy Commissioner, would oversee the Fire Department for the time being.
- Chief Wellington asked for clarification on the date for the Village Election. The Village Election will be held Tuesday, March 16, 2010, and the polls will be open 12:00pm to 9:00pm. Chief Wellington will bring this up at the Fire Department meeting later this week.

Park Use Request

Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve a request from the Huron and Wolcott Presbyterian Churches for use of Northup Park Friday, June 18, 2010 and Saturday, June 19, 2010 for the purpose of holding the Annual Strawberry Festival. Trustee Ferrente asked if there was also a request to close any roads for the event. Mayor Monson responded no. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

ICS/NIMS Training

Mayor Monson stated that the new Board members and some of the Village employees require training under the Incident Command System/National Incident Management System. Much of the training can be completed online. The Clerk will send information to the Board members regarding required training.

Mayor Monson

- Mayor Monson read a notice regarding a meeting Tuesday, February 9, 2010 to discuss changes in the assessed value of properties in the Town of Wolcott and the Town of Butler. The meeting is being hosted by the Assessor's Offices of the Town of Wolcott and the Town Butler, and will be held at the Palace Theater at 6:00pm. Mayor Monson stated that the valuation is going to 100% and he encouraged all present to attend the meeting.
- Mayor Monson has been researching the amount of taxes Village residents pay to the Town of Wolcott and the Town of Butler, and what services are received in exchange for those taxes. He stated that Town of Wolcott residents in the Village of Wolcott currently pay approximately \$84,235 to the Town of Wolcott.
- Mayor Monson distributed the annual budget for the Wolcott Civic Free Library to the Board members.
- The sloped ditch on Lake Avenue has been completed. Mayor Monson stated that more work needs to be done to correct the drainage problem in the spring.
- The Teamsters Union contract is due to expire at the end of May 2010. Mayor Monson stated that the Union Representative has already made contact with the employee representative and that a meeting will be scheduled between Teamsters and the employees. After that meeting takes place the Union Representative will meet with the Board.
- Mayor Monson and the Clerk attended the Port Security Grant Program Outreach Meeting in Cheektowaga on January 21, 2010. The grant program was discussed and many questions were answered about the submission process. The Village of Wolcott is seeking funding assistance for security improvements at the Lake Plant.
- Mayor Monson and Daphne Dudus attended the Village Officials' Dinner in Lyons on January 20, 2010. The topic of discussion was Main Street Programs and Mayor Monson said that the evening was very informative.

Minutes of January 19, 2010

Trustee White made the motion to approve the minutes of January 19, 2010 as read. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Abstract #013

Mayor Monson stated that included in abstract #013 is the third payment to Randsco Pipeline, Inc. for work on the capital storm sewer project in the amount of \$117,893.42. Trustee White made the motion to approve abstract #013 in the amount of \$160,903.91, with vouchers numbered 0711 – 0743 and checks numbered 22402 – 22435. Claims from the General Fund total \$24,531.67. Claims from the Water Fund total \$9,369.80. Claims from the Sewer Fund total \$6,491.70. Claims from the Federal Flood Mitigation Project Fund total \$118,883.45. Claims from the Trust and Agency Fund total \$1,627.29. Trustee VanFleet seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Trustee Ferrente

Trustee Ferrente has nothing to discuss at this time.

Trustee White

WAVAC is having a chicken BBQ on Sunday, February 7, 2010. Tickets are available for \$4.00 each and the chicken may be picked on Sunday between 11:00am and 2:00pm.

Trustee VanFleet

Trustee VanFleet has nothing to discuss at this time.

Police Department (Continued)

- Chief Smith has been working on obtaining information regarding the TRACS system. The software is available at no cost. Chief Smith will apply for a grant to provide funding for the equipment and installation. The system is not currently mandated but that may change in the future.
- Chief Smith will be attending the Chamber of Commerce meeting and the Wolcott Lions Club meeting tomorrow, February 3, 2010.
- Chief Smith was recently contacted by DCJS, and they are requesting Unified Crime Reports for the calendar year 2009. Chief Smith has already spoken with Laurie DiSanto about the possibility of working a few more hours a week to get the reports completed and stated that they will use whatever information is available to prepare reports as accurately as possible.
- The Wayne County Police Chiefs Association will be applying for Stonegarden grant assistance on behalf of the Village of Wolcott and two other departments in the County for the LiveScan system. The average cost for the system is \$36,000 with an additional \$4,000 annual maintenance fee. The system is mandated by New York State as departments are no longer able to submit paper fingerprint forms. Mayor Monson stated that at present our department is able to travel to another department which has the system in order to transmit fingerprint cards to the State.
- Trustee VanFleet questioned the total number of calls for service on the report given to him earlier. Chief Smith stated that the total does not include his calls and clarified what would constitute a call for service.
- Colleen Penta asked what interaction Chief Smith has with the schools in the district. Chief Smith stated that he works with the School Resource Officer and routinely patrols the area surrounding the schools in the Village. Ms. Penta stated that she feels a lot of the younger children are intimidated by police officers and would like to see more positive interaction. Chief Smith stated that he will continue to coordinate and work closely with the School Resource Officer and the Wayne County Sheriff's office to provide a greater level of participation in the community, especially at events such as the Strawberry Festival and Lions Club Car Show.

Trustee Ferrente made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm. Trustee VanFleet seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melanie A. Countryman
Clerk/Treasurer