

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

Others Present: Melanie Countryman, Sheriff Barry Virts, G. R. Lorenz, Jerry Laird, Michael Scott, Ron Lancy, Ross Chrisman, Kim Schwab, Peggy Wilbert, Eric Thompson, Robin Delf Connor, Tom Connor, Chief David B. Smith, James Taylor III

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Sheriff Barry Virts

- Mayor Monson congratulated Barry Virts on being elected Wayne County Sheriff.
- Sheriff Virts discussed the goals of his department and his desire to assist local agencies in areas such as IMPACT grant projects, aggressive driving, special incidents and community events. One priority is joint training, which would be open to all departments and at no cost to the Villages.
- On January 6, 2010 Sheriff Virts met with the Wayne County Police Chiefs Association. Sheriff Virts is now a member of that organization and they are working together on participation in WayneNet.
- The Sheriff's Department currently has thirty-two full time Deputy Sheriffs and operates with an annual budget of approximately \$16 million, \$7 million of which funds jail operations.
- Mayor Monson expressed a desire to have a representative from the Sheriff's Office visit the municipalities within Wayne County on an annual basis and appreciates the efforts being made to improve communication and cooperation with the different agencies.

Lake Avenue Storm Sewer

Mayor Monson reported that the work crews have begun to dig a sloped ditch behind properties on Lake Avenue.

Capital Storm Sewer Project Update

Mayor Monson reported that the work crews are currently working on the low end of Washington Street. The south end of the municipal parking lot will be closed tomorrow, January 20, 2010, so Rochester Gas and Electric may move a utility pole. Shortly thereafter the contractor will begin construction in the municipal parking lot.

Highway Department

Mayor Monson stated that several municipalities are not using salt on all of their roads this winter in an attempt to reduce expenses. Mayor Monson then added that perhaps this is something which the Village of Wolcott should consider as well.

Lions Club

Peggy Wilbert introduced herself as the new Chairperson for the Annual Lions Club Car Show, and stated that 2010 will be the 20th anniversary of the event. Mayor Monson read a request from the Lions Club for use of Northup Park as well as closing Main Street, Northup Street and Park Street for the purpose of holding the Annual Lions Club Car Show on June 12, 2010. Ms. Wilbert stated that they are moving the date for the event to June rather than May due to unpredictable weather and hopes for greater participation. Trustee White made the motion to approve use of Northup Park on June 12, 2010 for the Car Show, as well as closure of Main Street, Northup Street and Park Street. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Robin Delf Connor

Robin Delf Connor asked the Mayor and Board of Trustees what the Village policy is regarding snow dumped on North Street. She specifically asked who is responsible for pushing the snow over the bank. Mayor Monson stated that the Village has always pushed the snow over the bank on North Street and will continue to do so. He understands that some businesses hire contractors for snow removal and that the snow is usually deposited in that area. Mayor Monson added that, for safety reasons, it would be preferable for the Village to push the snow over the bank as the Village employees are familiar with where the drop off occurs.

Mayor Monson stated that the Village Highway Department employees have done a wonderful job with snow removal and keeping the Village roads clear. Robin Delf Connor agreed.

Police Department

- Chief David B. Smith stated that he recently submitted a request to an organization for three AED machines.
- Chief Smith has had officers requesting updated contact information from local merchants. The success rate to date has not been very good. Chief Smith stated that he will now contact the merchants personally and try to get updated contact information. He would also like to put together an email list for local merchants. The list would be used to update the merchants with any pertinent information of use to them. Mayor Monson added that there are several reasons for updating the contact information, such as water line breaks and electrical problems.
- Chief Smith reported that he is still working on getting the paperwork caught up.
- Since the weather has improved the Officers have been able to issue more traffic tickets.
- The Board of Trustees is still in the process of reviewing the Standard Operating Procedures Chief Smith delivered to them at the last Board meeting.
- Trustee VanFleet asked about the status of the TRACS system. Chief Smith stated that this is still a priority and he should have more information sometime in February.

Resolution 2010-3 (Village Election)

Trustee White made the motion to approve Resolution 2010-3, appointing the Village Election Custodian and Inspectors for the General Election to be held March 16, 2010 at the Wolcott Fire Fall. Trustee VanFleet seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Village Board Meeting Rescheduled

Trustee Ferrente made the motion to approve changing the regular Board of Trustees meeting, which would have been held March 16, 2010, to the following week, due to a conflict with the Village of Wolcott General Election. The meeting is now rescheduled for March 23, 2010 at 7:00pm. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Minutes of January 5, 2010

Trustee Ferrente made the motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 2010 as read. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Trustee White

- Trustee White stated that the Teamsters Union Contract expires May 31, 2010 and requested that copies of the current contract be distributed to the Board for review and comments for renegotiation.
- The Annual Local Government Workshop in Tug Hill will be held April 1, 2010. Trustee White gave the Board members copies of the agenda and registration information.

Trustee VanFleet

Trustee VanFleet has nothing to discuss at this time.

Trustee Ferrente

Trustee Ferrente has nothing to discuss at this time.

Mayor Monson

- Mayor Monson stated that Trustee VanFleet will be attending the Port Security Grant Program Outreach Meeting in Cheektowaga on January 21, 2010. The meeting should provide valuable information to assist with the grant application under the Port Security Grant Program.
- Mayor Monson will be attending the NYCOM Winter Legislative Meeting in Albany next month.
- Mayor Monson has reviewed Governor Patterson's proposed executive budget. Items of note include a proposed decrease of 5% in the AIM funding which the Village receives. The CHIPs funding level should remain the same as in previous years, and the Governor is proposing a moratorium on unfunded mandates for four years.
- Mayor Monson stated that the Strawberry Festival will be held June 19, 2010. The event is sponsored by the Council of Churches and they will have more information for the next Board meeting.
- Mayor Monson gave the Board members copies of the shared services study recently completed by the Wayne County Planning Department. The study discusses proposed use of the Florentine Hendrick building, should the School District decide to close the facility. Mayor Monson stressed that the proposal was prepared by Wayne County, not the Village of Wolcott.
- The Procurement Policy will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Abstract #012

Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve abstract #012 in the amount of \$84,933.02, which vouchers numbered 0651 – 0710 and checks numbered 22338 – 22400. Claims from the General Fund total \$51,311.96. Claims from the Water Fund total \$14,501.07. Claims from the Sewer Fund total \$5,824.18. Claims from the Capital Storm Sewer Project Fund total \$10,722.97. Claims from the Trust and Agency Fund total \$2,572.84. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Police Chief

- Chief David Smith will be taking the Civil Service Police Chief exam in March 2010.
- Trustee White made the motion to amend the job title for David B. Smith from Officer in Charge (Acting Police Chief) to Police Chief, effective immediately and in accordance with Civil Service regulations. Trustee VanFleet seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Quint Husted

Trustee VanFleet made the motion to amend the number of Field Training hours required by Quint Husted as a condition of his Police Academy from 140 to 160. Trustee Ferrente asked why the change was necessary. Chief Smith stated that there had been miscommunication between himself, Quint Husted and the Police Academy Instructor. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Trustee VanFleet made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melanie A. Countryman
Clerk/Treasurer