

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

Members Present: Mayor John Monson, Trustees Gary Baker, Daniel Ferrente and Sharon White
Members Absent: Trustee Ken VanFleet

Others Present: Melanie Countryman, Larry Hogan, Ron Lancy, Jerry Laird, Lori Tyler and Mike Leach

Pledge of Allegiance

Police Department

- The new computer should be ready next week. After the computer is set up, Albany will be contacted for installation of the SJS program.
- Officer Mike Leach expressed concern about the recently adopted policy requiring all Police Officers to use only equipment and weapons which are properly issued to them. Officer Leach stated that much of the equipment used by the Officers was never issued to them, but rather their own personal equipment brought with them when they became employed by the Village of Wolcott. Trustee Baker will go over the invoices for past equipment purchases because the Police Department should have been fully equipped for new Officers. Officer Leach made the request that the wording of the policy be changed to allow use of "issued or approved" equipment and weapons. Mayor Monson stated that the Board would consider the change.
- John Boyan has two people he would like considered for part-time employment in the Police Department. Officer Leach will get the paperwork required for sponsoring someone for the Police Academy, should the Board decide to do so.

Highway Department

- The Board reviewed a quote from Don Teeter for replacement of the hazardous sidewalks in front of the residence owned by Sandra Marshall. If approved, replacement would take place under the cost-sharing program initiated by the Board two years ago. The Board requested a total of three quotes before making a decision. The Clerk will contact Dan Tatum and Keith Bielemeier for quotes and the matter will be placed on the agenda for the next Board meeting.
- The Highway Department building on Butler Street has been painted.
- The sidewalk, curbing and catch basin at the corner of Mill Street and Auburn Street have been repaired. The insurance company for Bellemarre Freight will be contacted for reimbursement of the costs associated with repairing the damage caused by one of their trucks on July 30, 2009.
- The Highway Department employees have been getting equipment ready for leaf pick-up. Mayor Monson stated that instead of burning the leaves this year, they will be burying them.

Water and Sewer Departments

- Trustee White made the motion to approve Resolution 2009-19, authorizing the closure of the Weager Spring Capital Project and the checking account associated with the project. The balance in the account, \$13,307.45 at August 31, 2009, will be transferred to the general operating account, with \$2,822.00 to be transferred to the Debt Service Fund and the remaining funds transferred to the Water Fund. Trustee Baker seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- The Board discussed the new sewer rates as they pertain to the accounts of Eileen Lutz, from Wolcott Estates, and Diane Rock, from Wolcott Meadows. Both account holders have expressed concern that the new rates are too high and that their current year budgets cannot absorb the increased costs. Each account is charged a separate water and sewer service for each apartment unit. Trustee White read from the Village Code § 121-143, which states "Normal sewage service charges: All persons discharging or

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- depositing wastes into the public sewers shall pay a sewer service charge proportional to the liquid volume of waste so deposited, which charge shall be collected as a sewer rent.” After much discussion it was agreed that the two accounts in questions will continue to be charged for one water and sewer service for each apartment unit.
- There is a water leak on the private line on Eagle Road. All four residents on the water line have been notified of their responsibility to have the leak repaired and that the water would be shut off if not repaired by September 28, 2009. Two of the residents are seasonal occupants and two of the residents are year-round residents.

Fire Department

Trustee Baker made the motion to approve a request from the Rotary Club to use the Fire Hall on November 3, 2009 for the purpose of holding the Annual Rotary Pancake Breakfast. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Resolution 2009-20

Trustee White made the motion to approve Resolution 2009-20, with a change in wording in paragraph four, authorizing the submission of a grant application to the New York State Department of State Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program. The grant application will request funding to conduct a feasibility study of the costs involved for relocating all or part of the municipal offices of the project partners to the Florentine Hendrick School building. The project partners are the North Rose Wolcott School District, Towns of Butler and Huron and the Village of Wolcott. If approved, the grant will fund \$9,000 of the project and the remaining \$1,000 will be a 10% local match split evenly between the project partners. Trustee Baker seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Wolcott Civic Free Library

Mayor Monson read a letter received from the Wolcott Civic Free Library expressing gratitude towards the Village of Wolcott for the annual contribution to the library’s budget as well as regrets that the contribution amount will be reduced from \$6,500.00 to \$5,000.00 in future years. The letter also listed many services provided by the Wolcott Civic Free Library.

Resolution 2009-21

Trustee Ferrente made the motion to approve Resolution 2009-21, authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Phelps Art Center and the NYS Council on the Arts for the 2010 DEC Arts Grant Program. The program funds community based arts activities offered by eligible nonprofit organizations and individual artists sponsored by nonprofit organizations in Cayuga, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties. Trustee Baker seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Minutes of September 1, 2009

Trustee White made the motion to approve the minutes of September 1, 2009, as read. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Abstract #005

Trustee Baker made the motion to approve abstract #005 in the amount of \$56,765.88 with vouchers numbered 0276 – 0320 and checks numbered 21963 – 22007. Claims from the General Fund total \$36,749.50. Claims from the Water Fund total \$9,481.50. Claims from the Sewer Fund total \$7,588.68. Claims from the Trust and Agency Fund total \$2,946.20. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Planning Board

- Trustee White stated that the Planning Board is still in need of one regular member and one alternate member. Leo Piciotti attended the Planning Board meeting held September 14, 2009 and expressed an interest in serving on the Board. Mayor Monson will contact Mr. Piciotti to discuss the matter.

Planning Board (Continued)

- The Planning Board has requested that Mayor Monson contact Attorney Art Williams regarding a change to the current Village of Wolcott zoning regulations which would prohibit mini-storage units in the historic part of Main Street, and also keep buildings within the area in the same design and fitting for the 1930 era look. The Clerk will contact Attorney Art Williams.

NYCOM

Mayor Monson and the Clerk are registered to attend the Annual NYCOM Fall Training in Albany, NY September 21, 2009 – September 25, 2009. Mayor Monson stated that if he is unable to attend, Trustee Sharon White may attend in his place.

Village Official's Dinner

Mayor Monson and Trustee White will be attending the Village Official's Dinner being hosted by the Village of Macedon September 16, 2009.

Jerry Laird

Mr. Laird asked if the Annual Sportsman's Show has been cancelled. It was to have been held September 19, 2009 in Northup Park. Mayor Monson stated that it was cancelled because there were not enough participating vendors. Trustee White added that the Apple Harvest Festival is still being held on that date.

Ron Lancy

Mr. Lancy asked about the status of the Restore NY grant. Mayor Monson stated that we were informed that our application was not approved for funding. Mayor Monson has requested that a meeting be scheduled with Ed Flynn from Stuart Brown and Associates and representatives from the Empire State Economic Development Corporation to discuss the grant application and why it was not funded.

Executive Session

Trustee Baker made the motion to go into executive session at 8:07pm for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Jerry Laird and the Clerk were asked to attend the executive session.

Trustee Baker made the motion to come out of executive session at 8:17pm. Trustee White seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Tommy Mettler

Trustee White made the motion to approve a buy-out of forty (40) hours of vacation time as requested by Tommy Mettler, due to a hardship. Trustee Baker seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Trustee Baker made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm. Trustee Ferrente seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie A. Countryman
Clerk/Treasurer