

VILLAGE OF MAYBROOK BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING- FEBRUARY 23, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR DENNIS K. LEAHY, DEPUTY MAYOR NOREEN REYNOLDS, TRUSTEE KEVIN GREANY, TRUSTEE JAMES R. BARNETT, TRUSTEE ROBERT PRITCHARD

ALSO PRESENT:

ATTORNEY KELLY NAUGHTON, ENGINEER JIM DEWINTER, CLERK-TREASURER VALENTINA JOHNSON

PUBLIC PRESENT:

JIM DEMILO, ED WILLIAMS

Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Greany, seconded by Trustee Pritchard, approving the minutes of the February 10, 2015 meeting as presented. 4 ayes, 1 abstained- Trustee Reynolds

APPROVAL OF BILLS & CLAIMS

Motion by Trustee Greany, seconded by Trustee Pritchard, authorizing the following bills and claims as audited by the Board of Trustees:

GENERAL	\$33,630.63
WATER	\$14,259.50
SEWER	<u>\$15,329.61</u>
TOTAL	\$63,219.74

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Motion by Trustee Greany, seconded by Trustee Pritchard, authorizing the following transfer of funds to cover deficit lines in the budget as requested by Clerk-Treasurer: TRUSTEE Barnett advised the price of salt has jumped up.

From: 1410.400A, Clerk Contractual

To: 1410.420A, Administrative Bank Fees

Amount: \$100.00

CORRESPONDENCE

1. PLEDGE TO BE A CLIMATE CONTROL COMMUNITY- Motion by Trustee Pritchard, seconded by Trustee Greany, it is hereby resolved that the Village of Maybrook, County of Orange, in order to

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reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities Pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

- Pledge to be a Climate Smart Community.
 - Set goals, inventory emissions, plan for climate action.
 - Decrease community energy use.
 - Increase community use of renewable energy.
 - Realize benefits of recycling and other climate-smart solid waste management practices.
 - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through use of climate-smart land-use tools.
 - Enhance community resilience and prepare for the effects of climate change.
 - Support development of a green innovation economy.
 - Inform and inspire the public.
 - Commit to an evolving process of climate action. 5 ayes, 0 nays.
2. AUTHORIZATION, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT- FY2014 SKANEX- Motion by Trustee Pritchard, seconded by Trustee Greany, authorizing payment to Skanex for the Sewer Lining Project FYCD2014 for \$46,912.00. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Engineer advised \$40,000 is from the County, we added one line because we received \$4,000 extra from the County, and the Village's share is \$2,912. Board agreed Skanex is one of the best we've had in the Village. Enginner advised the company before that was pretty good too, we've been lucky.
 3. LETTER, KIMA SARACINO- Kima thanked Tina for her help and the Village's help for such a wonderful send-off for her Mom. Kima thanked Tina, our families go way back. Board advised Flo was a very nice woman and will be missed, we are happy we could help. Rec. & filed.
 4. AUTHORIZATION, HUDSON VALLEY CEO EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE, BUILDING INSPECTOR TIM IPPOLITO & DEPUTY CLERK LINDA LAROSA- Motion by Trustee Barnett, seconded by Trustee Greany, authorizing Tim & Linda to attend the conference on April 22,23, & 24 at the Poughkeepsie Grand for \$300 each. 5 ayes, 0 nays.
 5. INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW #1OF 2015 INSTITUTING A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS, CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY AND APPROVALS FOR APARTMENTS IN THE B-2 DISTRICT- Mayor advised he met with Trustee Pritchard and they are moving forward with the Economic Development, we need to re-evaluate the B-2 District with the apartments there and Attorney has drafted an Introductory Local Law. Attorney advised on the local law pertaining to Main Street and some other small areas, it's for six months and the Board has the ability to expand up to one year, then the Board will need another local law. Trustee Pritchard advised this is good, it gives us time to re-calculate on what we need. Motion by Trustee Greany, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, authorizing to set a Public Hearing on March 9, 2015 at 7PM. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. **Maybrook Recreation Adult Volleyball-** The winter season continues for the Maybrook Recreation Adult Volleyball which began on Wednesday, February 11th. It is a 7 week program and will be played at the Maybrook Alternative Learning Center. Doug Carlson the Adult Volleyball Coordinator reports the first week went well and the program continues.
2. **Maybrook Police Collective Bargaining Agreement Meeting-** negotiations continue and no new date has been set for the next round of negotiations as of yet.
3. **2015-16 Budget-** As all Village Board Members are aware, it's that time of year in which we are preparing for the 2015-16 Budget. The 2015-16 tentative must be filed by March 20th. I have scheduled meetings with department heads and we are progressing positively. I would like to schedule a Budget Work Session Wednesday, March 11th at 6pm here at the Government Center.
4. **Removal of Snow and Ice from Village Sidewalks-** As everyone knows this winter has been brutally cold with both snow and ice. This year more than in the past, we have been dealing with a safety issue which needed desperately to be addressed and that is the Village Code Chapter .165 Streets and Sidewalks. The Village Code states *A. All persons shall remove or cause to be removed from the sidewalk in front of or abutting on the premises owned or occupied by them all snow within 24 hours after the snow has fallen or the storm which such snow came has ceased and all ice within 24 hours after the ice has formed or accumulated. A "Sidewalk" shall mean that portion of a public highway outside of the street or roadway used or set aside for use of pedestrians. B. Upon default in removing or causing to be removed the snow and ice as required by this chapter, provision may be made for removal thereof at the expense of the owners of such premises, and such charge shall become a lien upon premises until paid.* The Building Inspector sent out letters of notice to residents who did not clear their sidewalks of snow and ice after the storm we had on Monday, February 9th. This letter was sent out to notify homeowners in the village of their responsibilities as per Village Code 165. This is a safety issue for all residents and their families in our village. Children who walk to bus stops and elderly people who walk about in the village are forced to walk in the road when portions of sidewalks in the village are not cleared of snow or ice which is unsafe. I myself have seen children in the village walking in the street on Homestead Ave/Rt 208 because of areas not cleared of snow.

We can't afford to be reactive; we need to be proactive when it comes to safety. We need to identify the problem and remedy it as soon as practicable. Our Village of Maybrook DPW does an outstanding job of snow removal after snow storms but our village residents have to do their share and follow the Village Code 165 in keeping the sidewalks clear of snow and ice for safe passage. I thank the residents I spoke to this past week and every resident in Maybrook for their cooperation.

5. **Maybrook Engine Co. #1 100th Anniversary Dinner**- On Saturday, February 21st, I, along with the rest of the Village Board attended the Maybrook Engine Co. #1 annual Installation Dinner. Congratulations to the 2015 Line Officers, Civil Officers, Ladies Auxiliary Officers and Board of Fire Commissioners. The Village Board presented a plaque on behalf of the village to "Thank" all of the men and women for their dedication, sacrifice and service to the Village of Maybrook.
6. **The St. Pat's Ramble Day Parade** – will take place in the Village of Montgomery on Saturday, March 21st. The Village of Maybrook will have a section in the parade where organizations and groups are welcome to march. If any group or organization is interested in marching in the Maybrook section, they can contact me directly at 845-234-6021 or email : dennisk.leahy@gmail.com.
7. **Village of Maybrook Website**- as always, a reminder that the Village of Maybrook website is up and running so please check it regularly at www.villageofmaybrook.com.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

TRUSTEE ROBERT PRITCHARD- Advised he spoke to the electric company going into the bus company and they are waiting for a few more things and will be ready to go forward, will hire 5 people.

Asked if we have any news or an update on the Maybrook Quarterly, we aren't getting anything and we should look into it. Mayor advised he spoke to him and John Kidd advised he is working on a double issue and will Mayor will send him an email advising him the Board is concerned. Trustee Barnett advised perhaps John Kidd can re-negotiate his price with the number of issues. Trustee Pritchard advised the service isn't there. Mayor agrees.

TRUSTEE KEVIN GREANY- Advised on meeting with Donnie from the sewage treatment plant, the plant's running fine and going good.

DEPUTY MAYOR NOREEN REYNOLDS- Advised on library meeting with Jenny, advised on a link with Resource Mates, advised on library being a Passport Office, should be up and running by the end of March, advised the emergency buttons are not in yet.

Asked Tina to call Time Warner Cable to ask if there is an additional charge for international faxing, if so, they will charge more for this to cover the costs.

Asked if a patron doesn't pay for a book/fine, can it be added to the tax. Tina advised no, we're not a library.

Advised they are looking for another part time clerk, maybe a Valley Central student for 10 hours a week.

Discussed using the name for the reading center, George C Bullis Memorial Community Center.

Advised she visited with Joe & Linda Dineen and they say hello to all!

TRUSTEE JAMES R BARNETT- Advised he is glad Linda & Tim are going to the training conference, Tim's on top of things.

Asked Attorney about the Solar Agreement, when looking at this one thing is missing, the number on how much we are saving? Attorney advised she doesn't have a response prepared for this since receiving the response back. Trustee Barnett advised he is very concerned with solar energy, a lot of companies have gone out of business.

Advised Church of the Assumption is officially merging with Holy Name of Mary in Montgomery, advised on the programs decreased and it will affect this church here. 80 kids are going to Holy Mary.

Motion by Trustee Greany, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Valentina Johnson
Village Clerk-Treasurer