

**VILLAGE OF PARISH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2009**

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting opened at 7:10 PM by Mayor Heagle. All said the pledge.

Present: Leon Heagle, Mayor
Patricia Lewis, Trustee
Dan Dalin, Trustee (7:10)

Robert Ventre, Attorney
Kevin Dwyer, Treasurer

Excused: Neil Chatterton, Trustee

Absent: Scott Allardice, Trustee

Also Present: John Dunham, Temporary CEO; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Representative; Steve Stauffer, VRI; MaryAnn Phillips, Town Councilor.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Trustee Lewis to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2009 Regular Board meeting as they are, 2nd by Trustee Dalin, carried.

Reports:

Legislator Barry Leemann: Tabled, Legislator Leemann not present.

Building Inspector & Code Enforcer: Temporary CEO John Dunham reported for the month of August. He stated he did fire inspections at the mini mart and there were several violations in both the liquor store and the mini mart. He said the car wash is not working yet. John stated he was told the Citgo is working on the apartments upstairs above the car wash. Mayor Heagle asked John to put a stop order on it till all is done. John stated he had 3 complaints on open burning and said the Village Board needs to re-clarify this. Attorney Ventre said he would send the Board an open fire law to review. John Dunham stated the Board should also include outdoor boilers. Mayor Heagle stated he had an indoor stove with a 6 ft. pipe and occasionally the wind would push the smoke down. John Dunham mentioned the 1995 EPA Compliance Law and that some Villages eliminate the outdoor stoves in the Village to avoid the smoke because the houses are too close. Mayor Heagle said he was not sure he wants to say people can't have them with the cost of fuel today. John Dunham stated he is still working on the "store" next to the dog groomer that is now an apartment. Discussion followed. Mayor Heagle brought up the Weichert residence with Attorney Ventre. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin to accept the CEO report for the month of August, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Sewer Plant Report, VRI, Inc.: Steve Stauffer went over the August VRI report with the Board. Steve said there were 2 issues with the main lift station, the Gristmill E-1 pump and the pump station on Montgomery Street with the grease issue. Steve stated they would be starting to get ready for winter.

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin to accept the VRI report for the month of August, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Tug Hill Representative, Paul Baxter: Paul stated Tug Hill is organizing a workshop for Planning Board and ZBA members on Thursday September 24 at the Central Square Village office. He said there would be a workshop for NY municipal properties and roadways on Thurs October 15th from 7 – 9 PM at the Redfield Fire Hall.

Recreation Committee: Tabled, no one was present.

Chamber of Commerce, Dan Dalin: Dan said they concluded a very successful summer. The next event will be the October Fest in October either the 17th or 24th he was not sure. The next meeting is on September 30th at 7 PM.

Task Force Committee: Mayor Heagle gave the Board a copy of the August 26th meeting to review.

Water Committee, Scott Allardice: Tabled, Trustee Allardice was not present.

Grievances or Concerns of the Public:

Letter notifying the Village of the Senior Citizen Volunteers recognition in Oswego.

October 4th to 10th is Fire Prevention week and the Mayor has literature on it.

Butler mailing on recyclable pickup.

Mayor Heagle opened the meeting to the public:

MaryAnn Phillips, Town Councilor stated she came because she does not understand why the Village does not want to have a Joint Board meeting. Mayor Heagle said with all the work going on with the stimulus money and the WWTP the Board has had to hold extra meetings so the Board does not want another meeting unless it is very important. Trustee Dalin explained how decisions are never made. Councilor Phillips feels that the Boards need to work together to make things happen, for example recreation and joint ownership of the building. Discussion followed.

Unfinished business:

Sewer Treatment Plant Restoration & Update on Engineering: Mayor Heagle stated he is having a meeting tomorrow with Mary Chappell, Tim Burley and Terry Deuel on the bans to see what direction we are headed in. Mayor Heagle got the Engineering Report and a copy has gone to Valerie at the DEC. The

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Sewer Treatment Plant Restoration & Update on Engineering continued:

USDA Grant will pay for this report. After this is done the Mayor would like Mary Chappell or someone to come to the next Board meeting to update the Board. Mayor Heagle does not know yet about the Green Tech Grant. Mayor Heagle said he talked with Attorney Ventre about the offer made by the Village Board to Jack Dodson and Jack accepted the \$90,000 instead of the \$113,000 balance of his bill and when the ban comes in we can pay him off. Mayor Heagle said that Jack Dodson has still not picked up his flow meters. The Mayor said that Bernie Toma would also be at the meeting tomorrow and it is imperative to keep the money's in correct order. Mayor Heagle said in talking with Bernie Toma regarding some forms, it was found the VRI contract needed updating with the company name and what we are currently paying them now.

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin to approve Mayor Heagle to sign the updated contract from VRI, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Proposal on culvert and ditch on Union Street: Mayor Heagle said he is still working on this. He talked with the assessor and thinks he need a copy of the deed. Attorney Ventre thought he had gotten one and he will check.

Timber theft on former dump: Mayor Heagle said the other property owner and the Village will go to court separately but he has not heard anything as yet.

Action on Hoyt property: Mayor Heagle said they are not yet ready to demolish the house but he has talked with the county.

Action on Zoning Regulations: Attorney Ventre said he is still working on a date with the Planning Board.

Pad for fuel oil tank in cellar: Mayor Heagle said the pad for the fuel tanks is done and he is working on getting the tanks put on the pad and hooked back up to the fuel line.

Clerk telephone: Trustee Lewis asked if the clerk had gotten her new telephone yet. She was told it is on order.

New Business:

Recognition Committee: Trustee Dalin has not come up with anything as yet.

Code of Ethics & Investment Policy – Resolution: Attorney Ventre said he thought the Code of Ethics was done. He said he would work on the Investment policy.

Discussion on WWTP truck: Mayor Heagle talked with Ken Scherrieble about the truck and is working on getting Ken to come into a Board meeting. The Mayor feels VRI has to answer some questions before the Board can decide.

Audit: Trustee Chatterton was going to come in but is out ill at present.

Stimulus money: Mayor Heagle stated the paperwork is getting done and as soon as the bills come in and the paper work is ready the Village can start the process of requesting funds.

Bids for fuel: Mayor Heagle told the Board he needs authorization for fuel bids to go out.

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin for authorization for the fuel oil bids to go out, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Transfer funds from General to Sewer Fund: Treasurer Kevin Dwyer asked the Board for authorization to transfer \$12,000 from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund for the USDA loan that is due.

Motion made by Trustee Dalin to authorize the treasurer Kevin Dwyer to transfer \$12,000 from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund, to be paid back no later than May 31, 2010, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Advertise for a Codes Officer: Mayor Heagle told the Board that with the letter of resignation from the CEO Harold Babcock they needed to advertise for a new CEO. He said that John Dunham is temporary. Trustee Dalin asked if we would have our own CEO. Mayor Heagle said the Village originally hired Harold Babcock for the Village then the Town hired him also for the Town. Mayor Heagle discussed Harold Babcock's hours and he thinks we should voucher the CEO we hire. He said the Board should decide what hours they want and someone who can use the computer. Trustee Dalin asked if the Village was going to advertise for just the Village as the Town is looking also. John Dunham feels it should be someone closer to the Village and mileage within the Village should not be an issue as the Village is only one mile wide. Mayor Heagle feels the bid should include the generation of reports and using the computer. Discussion followed. The temporary CEO is 12 hours a week @ \$10.80/hour. John Dunham said \$18 to \$22/hour is the norm and they should be certified. John said they should also put the ad on the NYBOC. John feels the Village and Town should enter into an inter-municipal agreement. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin to advertise for a CEO @ \$10.80/hour for 12 hours a week for the remainder of this fiscal year, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Meeting with Mr. Hudson re: Parish Elem. closing: Mayor Heagle called Jerry Hudson, Superintendent of the APW school and talked with him about meeting with him regarding the school closing. Mr. Hudson was willing to meet with the Mayor after October 1st at the school. They both agreed it was better to discuss it now that later. Mayor Heagle felt he could take one Board member with him to this meeting. Trustee Dalin would like to be a part of this and would like to go. As soon as Mayor Heagle gets a date they can decide.

69A Culvert: Mayor Heagle stated that two weeks ago he called Carl Ford from the State DOT after talking with Ed Wildway at a meeting, about a sign that was knocked down that they have since repaired. Then the Mayor got an email regarding the culvert on 69A, which the State said was not their responsibility. Ed Wildway stated the road has to be opened and part of the property is private. Mayor Heagle found the properties to belong to Robert Harter and Limestone LLC. Mr. Wildway said they would contact both of them regarding the culvert.

Church & Mill Street Paving: Mayor Heagle stated he called Kurt Osfelt at the Oswego County DOT and they will be paving Church & Mill Streets. The Mayor also called the school transportation department and asked John Pierce to let L.J. of the fire department know about the paving and the streets being blocked. Mayor Heagle said this would be covered by the CHIPS fund.

New Furnace for building: Mayor Heagle said he talked with Randy Banks about a new furnace as soon as the tanks are put back on the new pad. Randy suggested using the big boiler for the gym, using circulating fans and putting a new furnace in for the offices at about \$17,000 - \$18,000. As soon as the fuel tanks are hooked up they will deliver fuel and look into the furnace.

Hand sanitizers: Mayor Heagle stated the State is pushing to put hand sanitizer units in the buildings and he will look into it.

Christmas decorations: Mayor Heagle stated the Christmas decorations really should be fixed. The big lights need to come off and LED lights put on, as they are more economical. He said there is someone in Parish who offered to do the work or there is a company in Cicero that comes and puts the decorations up and takes them down. Discussion followed. Trustee Dalin suggested having John from Parish give the Village a price and go from there.

Payment of Bills:

General Fund in the amount of \$10,856.91

Motion was made by Trustee Lewis to pay the General Fund bills for vouchers 401 through 433 for a total warrant of \$10,856.91, 2nd by Trustee Dalin, carried.

Sewer Fund in the amount of \$27,017.96

Motion was made by Trustee Lewis to pay the Sewer Fund bills for vouchers 401 through 425 for a total warrant of \$27,017.96, 2nd by Trustee Dalin, carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin to approve payment to Loose-leaf Law Publications in the amount of \$57.40 for six of the 2009-2010 Village Law Updates, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried

Motion was made by Trustee Dalin to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 9:02 PM, 2nd by Trustee Lewis, carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia French,
Village Clerk