

VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

Minutes—March 11, 2015 Time: 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Mayor Christian Pfister, Trustee Gail Lasher, Trustee Anthony Patsky and Trustee Peter Alberti.

Trustee Robert June enters the meeting at 7:15PM.

Department Head Reports (Schedule Budget Meetings)

1. Department of Public Works Dennis Proper
2. Fire Department (No show)
3. Code Enforcement (No show) Mike Ragaini
4. VRI Dale Post
5. Police Department
6. Tal Rappleyea

Motions and Resolutions

1. Proposed Motion to Approve the Minutes from February 25, 2015

Offered by: Trustee Alberti

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of Vote: All in favor

2. Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Payment of the Vouchers

BE IT RESOLVED, the following vouchers are authorized for payment:

GENERAL – Abstract #1832, vouchers numbered #9914550 through #9914552 and vouchers numbered #9914554 through #9914580 in the amount of \$20,804.27

WATER – Abstract #10329, vouchers numbered #9914481 through #9914588 and voucher #9914553 in the amount of \$14,104.40

SEWER – Abstract #10309, vouchers numbered #9914589 through #9914594 in the amount of \$5103.30

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee Patsky

Record of Vote: All in favor

3. Proposed Resolution Setting the Date for a Public Hearing on Local Law #3 to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees, hereby, sets 6:30 pm, March 25, 2015 as the time and date for a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on Local Law #3.

Offered by: Trustee Lasher
Seconded by: Trustee Patsky
Record of Vote: All in favor

4. Proposed Resolution Setting the Date for a Public Hearing on Local Law #2 Adopting the Code of the Village of Athens and Making Substantive Changes to existing Local Laws of the Village

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees, hereby, sets 6:35 pm, March 25, 2015 as the time and date for a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on Local Law #2.

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee June
Record of Vote: All in favor

5. Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Contract with the Coxsackie Athens Central School District in Order to Provide Police Coverage at E.J. Arthur Elementary School

WHEREAS, THE Village of Athens has been approached by the administrative staff of the Coxsackie-Athens Elementary School and asked to provide police supervision throughout the schoolday at E.J. Arthur Elementary located at 51 Third Street in the Village of Athens,

WHEREAS, police coverage will be instituted to provide coverage for approximately 8 hours per day,

WHEREAS, the personnel selected to provide the coverage will be subject to approval by the administrative staff of the Coxsackie-Athens School District,

WHEREAS, the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District has agreed to reimburse the Village of Athens for all costs incurred,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the Mayor to contract with the C-A School District, subject to review by the Village Attorney and pending NYMIR and civil service review, to provide police coverage at E.J. Arthur Elementary.

Offered by: Trustee Patsky
Seconded by: Trustee Lasher
Record of Vote: All in favor

5. Proposed Resolution Approving Request to Use Gym

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby approve the request of Jane Wais and family to use the gym for baseball practice, as space is available, during the months of March and April from 3:30-4:30 PM.

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee Lasher
Record of Vote: All in favor

6. Proposed Resolution Waiving the Open Container Law for the Athens Street Festival

WHEREAS, the Athens Street Festival is scheduled to be held on July 11, 2015,

WHEREAS, Chapter 103, Alcoholic Beverages, does permit the Village of Athens to waive the restriction of alcoholic beverages in certain public places for celebrations, parades, festivals and special events,

WHEREAS, the sale of Alcoholic Beverages, at the Athens Street Festival is carried out under the strict supervision of the Athens Volunteer Fire Department,

WHEREAS, carry-in alcohol is not permitted at the festival,

BE IT RESOLVED, the public consumption of alcoholic beverages is hereby limited to an area posted by signs erected by the Athens Street Festival defined approximately as follows,

1. A line 50 feet west of Water Street and perpendicular to Water Street
2. A line parallel to the Southern boundary of Riverfront Park
3. A line 100 feet north of the entrance to the Palmateer marina on Water Street.

Boundaries will be further established by the Street Festival staff and posted .
No alcohol may be consumed in any public venue outside of these bounds

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee June
Record of Vote: All in favor

7. Proposed Resolution Approving the Outdoor Entertainment Permit for the Athens Street Festival

BE IT RESOLVED, the Outdoor Entertainment Permit for the Athens Street Festival, for July 11, 2015 between the hours of 8 AM and 12 Midnight, is hereby approved,

Offered by: Trustee June
Seconded by: Trustee Alberti
Record of Vote: All in favor

8. Proposed Resolution Approving the Use of Riverfront Park

BE IT RESOLVED, the use of Riverfront Park by the Athens Street Festival is hereby approved for the period of July 10-July 12, 2015

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee Lasher
Record of Vote: All in favor

9. Proposed Resolution Authorizing Participation of the Village of Athens in a Wastewater Consolidation Study with Sleepy Hollow Lake

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens has determined that it is in its best interest to enter into an agreement with Sleepy Hollow Lake APO to study Consolidation of Wastewater in the Brick Row Sleepy Hollow Lake service areas

WHEREAS, a cost estimate and scope of work, for this proposed study have been presented by Delaware Engineering,

WHEREAS, that cost has been determined to be \$35,000,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees agrees to contribute up to \$10,000 as its share, and hereby authorizes the Mayor and Village Attorney to negotiate terms of the agreement.

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee June
Record of Vote: All in favor

10. Proposed Resolution Accepting Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby accept the resignation of Robert Scott, with regret, from the Athens Police Department. Officer Scott has been an excellent employment and his presence will be missed.

Offered by: Trustee Patsky
Seconded by: Trustee Lasher
Record of Vote:

11. Proposed Resolution Approving Construction Work at 24 Second Street

WHEREAS, the Athens Cultural Center retained the services of an architect to refurbish the exterior of 24 Second Street,

WHEREAS, the bid documents are now complete,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to reach agreement with the owner of the adjoining property in order to carry out the proposed work,

WHEREAS, such a memorandum of understanding has been negotiated,

WHEREAS, the Village Attorney has approved the language of the Memorandum,

WHEREAS, all contractor involved in the project must deliver the required proof of insurance,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes Athens Cultural Center to proceed with the bidding of the above project

Offered by: Trustee Lasher
Seconded by: Trustee Patsky
Record of Vote: All in favor

12. Proposed Resolution designating the Boiler at the WWTP as surplus property

WHEREAS, the recent flooding due to malfunction at the WWTP has damaged the boiler to an unusable condition,

WHEREAS, the Village's insurance company has paid for its replacement

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes the designation of surplus equipment to the boiler at the WWTP

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee June
Record of Vote: All in favor

Trustee Reports

Communications

1. Volunteer of the Year Award
2. Proposal from Delaware Engineering and Sleepy Hollow Lake
3. Young Sommer: Award of Additional Intervenor Funding
4. Delaware Engineering/Fahrenkoph: Letter to DEC on Additional Site Investigation at WTTP
5. Lamont Engineering Cost Estimate for Drainage
6. Alternating Current Proposals

Unfinished Business

1. Police Contract
2. DPW Contract
3. Water Meter Installation
4. Brick Row Sidewalk
5. Street Festival

6. Meeting with DEC on Lagoon
7. PTO Race
8. Park Fence

New Business

1. Police presence at EJ Arthur Elementary
2. Garry Palmer/Hollister Lake Cleanup
3. DPW Garage
4. Removal of Old Furnace in Gym Basement
5. Cultural Center Renovation
6. Police Contract
7. Crossing Guard? Executive Session
8. Roof on old Filter Barn

Clerk's Report:

Review of financials

Motion to Adjourn:

Offered by: Trustee June
Seconded by: Trustee Lasher
Record of Vote: All in favor

Meeting adjourns at 9:15PM