

# VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

Agenda—May 22, 2013 Time: 6:30 pm

**PRESENT:** Mayor Christian Pfister, Trustee Herman Reinhold, Trustee Robert June, Trustee Gail Lasher and Trustee Anthony Patsky.

Fire Chief Jim Robinson Jr., DPW Director Dennis Proper, Chief of Police Roger Masse and Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea were also present.

*Pledge of Allegiance*

Bid Awards

Priority Discussions:

1. Brock Juusola, Delaware Engineering

A MOTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, seconded by Trustee Patsky, all in favor, approving the Minutes from meetings held on April 10 and April 24, 2013.

Public:

1. *Trevor Baldwin, an Eagle Scout*, presented the Village Board with a detailed proposal of work he would like to complete, if approved by the Village Board, on the Riverfront Park bandstand. The work to be completed would be part of an Eagle Scout Project.

The Village Board discussed the scope of the project with Trevor. The Village Board was positive about having him do the work and will pass a Resolution approving the work as specified later in the evening.

The Village Board thanked him for volunteering his services and attending the meeting this evening. The Mayor will be in touch with him.

2. *Luigi Distefano, resident of the Town of Athens and user of the Village's water system*, attended the meeting to discuss the water bill rates again. He attended last month's meeting to state that the rate is too high for Town residents.

He is attending this evening to see if the Village Board will be taking any action on lowering the water bill rates.

The Mayor stated that for now the water rates will stay the same. There will be no decrease in the rates.

3. *Carol Pfister, member of the Cultural Center*, attended the meeting this evening to discuss the lease agreement that was to be worked out between the Village and the Cultural Center. Discussions began years ago regarding this and then they ended.

The Mayor stated that he would get back to them with an answer in the next few weeks.

4. *Catherine Azzone, resident of Sleepy Hollow in the Village*, attended the meeting to discuss sidewalks in the village, especially on Route 385. Isn't there anyone who could 'spearhead' a campaign to have the state repair them, as they are presently in horrible shape?

The Village Board agreed that they are in rough shape but they are owned by the state.

## Motions and Resolutions

### 1. Proposed Resolution for Award of Bid on Sanitary and Manhole Rehabilitation Project:

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did advertise in The Daily Mail, the duly adopted official newspaper of the Village, for bids on the Sanitary and Manhole Rehabilitation Project,

WHEREAS, the Village did receive (4) four bids and read aloud those bids on May 9, 2013,

WHEREAS, this project, as bid, has been determined to meet the design criteria approved by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and the Environmental Facilities Corporation,

WHEREAS, Insituform Technologies, LLC was the lowest responsible bidder,

WHEREAS, the bid of Insituform Technologies, LLC has been reviewed by the Village's engineer, Delaware Engineering, P.C., and has been found to be qualified,

WHEREAS, the bid of Insituform Technologies, LLC. meets the budgetary requirements of the project,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Athens does hereby award the Sanitary and Manhole Rehabilitation Project Base Bids and Alternates #1, #2, and #3 in the amount of \$478,376.00 to Insituform Technologies, LLC.

Offered by: Trustee June

Seconded by: Trustee Lasher

Record of vote: all in favor

### 2. Proposed Resolution Awarding Lawn Mowing Contract:

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did advertise in The Daily Mail, for proposals on Lawn Care for the 2013 summer season,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did receive two (2) proposals which were opened and read aloud on May 20, 2013

WHEREAS, the proposal of D & C Lawn Care was reviewed by the Village of Athens and determined to be the lowest responsible proposal,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens intends to fund this project through money allocated in line A5110.1 in the 2013-2014 Adopted Budget and the transfer of \$5000.00 to A5110.1 from the receipts of the mortgage tax distribution from the Athens Generating refinancing,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes Mayor Pfister sign a contract with D and C Lawn Care for the 2013 mowing season in the amount of \$12690.00 after all required documents are received and a work history investigation has been carried out.

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor

3. Proposed Resolution Funding the Repair of Fire Hydrants:

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has identified five malfunctioning fire hydrants in the Village of Athens,

WHEREAS, malfunctioning fire hydrants represent a potential danger to the citizens of the Village of Athens,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens can assist in the excavation of the hydrant cost, thereby reducing cost,

WHEREAS, the actual installation of the hydrants requires considerable expertise and specialized equipment,

WHEREAS, proposals were obtained from three vendors for parts and installation of the hydrants,

WHEREAS, the purchase of the required parts from Ferguson Waterworks at an approximate cost of \$13,810.60 and Vellano Brothers at an approximate cost of \$395.00, the purchase of installation services from Glen Davis at an approximate cost of \$18,700, for at total cost of \$32,705.60 represents the best value for the Village of Athens.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes the transfer of \$31,278.33 from the from the receipts of the mortgage tax distribution, that resulted from the Athens Generating refinancing, to the Water Saving/Meters/Hydrant Repair Reserve Fund, to cover the cost of replacing 5 hydrants and additional hydrants that may be identified in the future,

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee Reinhold

Record of vote: all in favor

4. Proposed Resolution Authorizing appropriation transfers:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Clerk is authorized to make the following appropriation transfers:

FIRE Dept- Transfer \$5,000.00 from A3410.4(Repairs) to A3410.4(heat) expense.

STREETS expense- Transfer \$4000.00 from A5110.4(repairs) to A5110.4D(road materials)expense.

Transfer \$2000.00 from A5142.1(snow labor) to A5132.4(heat/garage) expense.

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor

5. Proposed Resolution authorizing payment of the following vouchers:

**GENERAL**-Abstract # 1745, voucher numbered #9912598 and numbers #9912600 through #9912625 in the amount of \$10310.70. Abstract #1746 vouchers numbered #9912638 through #9912639 in the amount of \$ 1220.35.

**WATER** – Abstract # 10276, vouchers numbered #9912626 through #9912632 in the amount of \$3582.99.

**SEWER** – Abstract #10244, vouchers numbered #9912633 through #9912637 in the amount of \$4505.02.

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor

6. Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to sign the letter of engagement for completion of the Annual Report for fiscal year 5/31/13 by Alexander Varga, CPA at a cost not to exceed \$5800.00.

Offered by: Trustee June

Seconded by: Trustee Patsky

Record of vote: All in favor

7. Proposed Resolution Authorizing Trevor Baldwin, an Eagle Scout, under supervision, to work on the Bandstand at the Riverfront Park, as per his detailed proposal given to the Village Board this evening. Liaison to this project will be Trustee Patsky and Mayor Pfister as backup.

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor.

#### Correspondence:

1. Application for Outdoor Entertainment Permit: Carla Picayo
2. Request for Adjustment of Water Bill: Nereida Numata
3. Delaware Engineering: Recommendation for Award on Sanitary Sewer and Manhole Rehabilitation Project

#### Mayor's Reports

Clerk's Report- Financial Reports for the month of April 2013 were distributed to all Village Board members.

#### Trustee Reports

#### Adjournment

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee Lasher

Record of vote: All in favor

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

MJ Wynne

