

VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

Minutes—April 24, 2013 Time: 6:30 pm

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

Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Agenda

1. Luigi DiStefano, resident of the Town of Athens, that also uses Village water, attended the meeting to complain about his water bill. He stated that the water bill is too expensive for town residents. His residence is also a rental which means that his water bill triples sometimes.
2. George Stacey, Commander of the American Legion T.G.M. 187 was planning on attending the meeting but could not make it. He submitted a letter and schedule for the Annual Memorial Day Parade.
3. John McInerney, member of the 'Community Day' event planning committee attended the meeting to discuss the events planned for the day with the Village Board.
4. John Pulice, resident of the village, attended the meeting to again discuss the safety issue at the corner of Second Street and Route 385 (Washington Street), especially as you pull out on Route 385. He also submitted a picture of actual bollards being used in another community.

Final Review of Budget

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, seconded by Trustee Patsky, all in favor, to amend the Tentative Budget by moving \$5000.00 from Contingent (A1990.4) to Parks Expense (A7110.1).

Motions and Resolutions

1. Proposed Resolution to Approve 2013-2014 Budget for the Village of Athens (See attached)

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor

2. Proposed Resolution: Adoption of Rules of Procedure

Be it Resolved, that the Village of Athens adopts the attached Rules of Procedure to govern the conduct of its meetings and it is further,
Resolved, that Mayor and the Board of Trustees will evaluate the Rules of procedure and make changes as needed, from time to time, by resolution.

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee June
Record of vote: All in favor

3. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Chief of Police to Apply for Grants.

Be it Resolved, that Chief of Police is authorized to proceed with applications for grant funding to finance video recorders for the Department's police cars.

Offered by: Trustee Patsky
Seconded by: Trustee June
Record of vote: All in favor

4. Proposed Resolution to Declare the Attached List of Assets Surplus and to Authorize the Village Clerk Advertise for Bids. (See attached)

WHEREAS, Superintendent of Public Works, has reviewed the assets listed in attachment A and declared them to be of no further use to the Village of Athens,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has also reviewed the attached list and agreed with the decision to declare these assets to be surplus,

Be it Resolved, that the Village of Athens does hereby declare these assets to be surplus and directs the Village Clerk and the Superintendent of Public Works to advertise for bids.

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

5. Proposed Resolution to Expend Funds to Have Stumps Removed

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens has removed several trees over the last few months, leaving behind various tree stumps which are unsightly and represent a hazard,

WHEREAS, there are no other firms in the immediate area which possess this specialized equipment,

BE IT RESOLVED, the bid of \$700.00 by Jeremy Copleston, to grind out various stumps in the Village of Athens and the Water filtration Plant is hereby accepted.

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

RESOLUTION made by Trustee Patsky, seconded by Trustee Reinhold, all in favor, to amend the above Resolution to state the amount as \$800.00 and also to make the expenditure during fiscal year 6/1/13 through 5/31/2014.

6. Proposed Resolution Granting a Loan from the Historic Revolving Loan Fund

WHEREAS, the applicant does own a residence in the Brick Row Historic District,

WHEREAS, the purpose of this fund is to assist homeowners in the Historic Districts with repairs and renovations on their properties,

WHEREAS, the applicant has applied for a loan in the amount of \$10,000,

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Village Attorney and found to meet the guidelines of the program,

WHEREAS, the applicant has been reviewed and found to be credit worthy,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby approve a loan in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Ms. Tina Chaden

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee Lasher

Record of vote: All in favor

7. Proposed Resolution to advance the Athens Police Department \$3200.00 for 4 safety vests which will be reimbursed by the federal government within 2 weeks.

Offered by: Trustee Patsky

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor

8. Motion to grant permission to the American Legion TGM Post 187 to conduct its annual Memorial Day Parade on the streets of Athens, on May 27, 2013. Permission is likewise granted to the American Legion to coordinate its plans with the Athens Police Department.

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee Patsky

Record of Vote: All in favor

9. Motion to grant approval of the Outdoor Entertainment Permit for the Athens Street Festival on July 13, 2013 with a rain date of July 14, 2013 with the following condition: Any bands with amplified music are to control the volume to reduce sound impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee Reinhold

Record of Vote: All in favor

10. Motion to grant approval of the Outdoor Entertainment Permit for the Athens Community Day on June 8, 2013 with the following condition: Any bands with amplified music are to control the volume to reduce sound impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of Vote: All in favor

11. Motion to waive the open container law for the confines of Riverfront Park only, for Saturday, June 8, between the hours of 12AM-10 PM.

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

Financial Reports for the month of March 2013 have been distributed by the Clerk-Treasurer to all Village board members.

Correspondence:

1. Sandra Strauss- Brick Row curbing
2. NYS DEC Letter from Derek Thorsland, P.E. confirming the lifting of sewer connection moratorium upon completion of I & I remediation work and Brick Row repairs

Adjournment – 9:30PM

Offered by: Trustee Reinhold
Seconded by: Trustee Lasher
Record of vote: All in favor

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Attachment A Surplus Equipment List (See Attached for Serial Numbers)

1. 5ea Truck Mount Motorola MaxTrac50 Radios
2. 1ea Motorola Radius Radio
3. 1ea Uniden Radio
4. 1ea Motorola Portable Radio w Charger
5. 2ea Motorola Portable Radius SP50 Radios w/Charger
6. 2ea ICOM Portable Radios w/Charger Model 146
7. 1ea Uniden Portable Radio/w Charger
8. 1 ea 1990 Ambulance on Ford Econoline 350 chassis
9. 1ea Mauldin 1 Ton Roller Kohler Engine/18 HP

ATTACHMENT B

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2013-2014 BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF ATHENS

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees did by motion, on March 27, 2013, agree to keep any increase in the tax levy below 2%,

WHEREAS, the increase in tax levy of the attached budget does not exceed 2% of the 2012-2013 Budget of the Village of Athens,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did hold a public hearing on April 10, 2013 for the purpose of obtaining public input on the 2013-2014 budget,

WHEREAS, THE Board of Trustees did meet on April 24 and amended the Tentative Budget,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Athens does, hereby, approve the 2013-2014 Budget as amended.