

ATHENS VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – June 27, 2012

PRESENT: Mayor Andrea Smallwood, Trustee Herman Reinhold, Trustee Robert June, Trustee Gail Lasher and Trustee Anthony Patsky.

Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea was also present.

Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC:

1. *Sandra Strauss, resident of Brick Row*, attended the meeting to discuss the curbs on Brick Row due to the fact that they are in disrepair and therefore dangerous.

The Mayor stated that she will have the DPW Director take a walk up there and check it out.

Ms. Strauss also mentioned that the fire hydrant on Brick Row still hasn't been fixed.

Ms. Strauss also inquired as to what the law was regarding trees that hang on other people's property and create a nuisance and danger to neighbors.

The Village Attorney stated that Ms. Strauss should speak to her own attorney regarding the matter, however, he believes that if a property owner's tree causes damage to another person's property then it is the tree owner's responsibility. If a property owner has tree branches hanging over onto their property from another person's tree then they may legally trim them or maintain the branches. If it is on your property then you may trim it.

2. Kevin Pratt, contractor working on the Community Center storm window project, attended the meeting to discuss the project with the village board.

The proposal included the cost (provided by the vendor) for triple track storm windows measured to fit the Community Center building. The vendor could not fulfill the order due to the fact that his supplies does not make triple track storms for that size window. They had inadvertently priced double track storms. Double track storms are not practical for the building

Mr. Pratt stated that he has contacted a number of vendors and found that Catskill Glass has a supplier that can get the triple track storms in the size necessary however the cost will increase by \$1960.00. The original proposal was \$3035.00. The new price for windows will be \$4995.00.

Mr. Pratt apologized for the delay but they had started the project and then put it on hold after discovering this problem. He would like to know if the Village Board would like him to order the storm windows from Catskill Glass?

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Patsky, seconded by Trustee June, all in favor, to approve the change in the cost of the windows from \$3035.00 to \$4995.00 and continue the project.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Copy of letter written to NYSDEC from Delaware Engineering. Re: Substantial Completion letter – WWTP.
2. Monty Jordan. Re: Tax Bill No. 170- return.
3. Patricia & John Leonard. Re: Rental Unit.
4. NYS Department of State. Re: LWRP.
5. Terry Baker. Re: Thank you.
6. Town of Athens Board of Assessment Review. Re: Changes in assessments.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A MOTION was made by Trustee Lasher, seconded by Trustee Reinhold, all in favor, approving Robert Wager's request for vacation time.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, seconded by Trustee June, all in favor, whereas the Clerk's Office copier has been working poorly and is over 10 years old and that the Clerk has been reviewing options for a new copier at the state bid price, that the Village Board approve the lease option for a new office copier through REPEAT Business Systems.

In conjunction with this RESOLUTION it is approved that when the new copier arrives that the old one be declared surplus equipment and be advertised for sale to the highest bidder.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, seconded by Trustee June, all in favor, approving payment of the following vouchers:

GENERAL- Abstract #1708 – vouchers numbered #9911697 through #9911714 in the amount of \$58,707.21.

WATER – Abstract #10249 – vouchers numbered #18602 through #18611 in the amount of \$9,906.28.

SEWER – Abstract #10220 – vouchers numbered #9911715 through #9911723 and voucher number #9911735 in the amounts of \$14,924.81.

YOUTH – Abstract #53- voucher number 9911733 in the amount of \$166.30.

TRUST & AGENCY – Abstract #10289, vouchers numbered #9911731 and #9911732 in the amount of \$2,970.57.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, seconded by Trustee June, all in favor, approving the Minutes from the meeting held on April 25, 2012.

Trustee Reinhold asked that the Minutes from the meetings held on May 9 and May 23, 2012 be amended and re-sent to all of the Trustees.

Financial Reports for the month of May have been distributed.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, seconded by Trustee June, all in favor, that based upon the recommendation of Brock Juusola and Tal Rappleyear, to approve the contract (?) for the WWTP/Water filtration plant

MOTION was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:30PM.

Good Night!

Mary Jo Wynne