

VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

Minutes—July 8, 2015 Time: 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Mayor Christian Pfister, Trustee Robert June, Trustee Gail Lasher, Trustee Peter Alberti and Trustee Marla Butler.

Department Head Reports

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| 1. Department of Public Works | Dennis Proper |
| 2. Fire Department | Adam Greco |
| 3. Code Enforcement | Mike Ragaini. No show. |
| 4. VRI | Dale Post |
| 5. Police Department | Roger Masse. No show. |
| 6. Legal | Tal Rappleyea |

Discussion with Dale Post of VRI and Jason Preisner of Lamont Engineering

Motions and Resolutions

1. Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Payment of the Vouchers

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

GENERAL FUND – Abstract #1845, vouchers numbered #9914894 through #9914924 and vouchers numbered #9914926 through #9914935 in the amount of \$124,983.64

WATER FUND – Abstract #10337, vouchers numbered #9914936 through #9914942 in the amount of \$10,536.26

SEWER FUND – Abstract #10317, vouchers numbered #9914943 through #9914946 in the amount of \$12,346.69.

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of Vote: All in favor

2. Proposed Resolution Approving Board Meeting Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees, hereby, approves the minutes as amended from the June 10 and June 24, 2015 Meetings of the Board of Trustees.

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of Vote: All in favor

3. Proposed Resolution Approving the Fireworks Permit

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees, hereby, approves a Fireworks Permit for Young Explosives Corp. of Rochester New York to cover the Fireworks Display to be carried out at the Athens Street Festival on July 11, 2015.

Offered by: Trustee Butler

Seconded by: Trustee Alberti

Record of Vote: All in favor

4. Proposed Resolution Approving Bid for Grinding Services

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees, hereby, authorizes the Mayor to contract with Wood Reduction Services for the grinding of the brush pile at the recycling center for a cost of \$2500.00 plus the use of the Village backhoe and approximated one hundred gallons of diesel fuel.

Offered by: Trustee Lasher

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of Vote: All in favor

5. Proposed Resolution Work Week Hours for appointed employees (attached)

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

6. Proposed Resolution Approving Pumpkin Parade

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does, hereby, approve October 25 as the date for the annual Pumpkin Parade as well as the use of the Village Streets and Riverfront Park. Police coverage is also authorized during the parade.

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

7. Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Second Placement of a Portable Toilet in Riverfront Park

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does, hereby, approve the addition of a second portable toilet to the park for the duration of the Athens Performing Arts concerts.

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

8. Proposed Resolution Adopting Streets

WHEREAS, the streets listed below have been erroneously left off the Village of Athens street inventory,

WHEREAS, NYSDOT has never assigned an inventory number to these streets which left them unqualified for any Consolidated Highway Improvement Funds,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens has and will continue to maintain these streets throughout the year,

RESOLVED, does hereby adopt the streets listed below and requests that they be added to the NYSDOT street inventory for the Village of Athens.

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby formally adopt the following streets.

1. Partition Street
2. Fifth Street
3. Union Street Extension
4. Brick Row Extension

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

9. Proposed Resolution for SEQRA Declaration on the Planned Water Treatment Waste Disposal Upgrade

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens must undertake a project to repair, reconstruct and/or construct new drying beds in connection with its municipal water treatment plant, and

WHEREAS, such project is required by, among other things, to comply with a Notice of Violation (NOV) issued by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has declared itself Lead Agency for the purpose of the SEQRA review,

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that due to the issuance of the NOV, the Village Board hereby determines that the project is a Type II action pursuant to 6NYCRR617.5 (c)(29).

Proposed Resolution for SEQRA in regard to the Drying bed at the Water Filtration Plant

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

10. Proposed Resolution authorizing sponsorship for Lance Palmateer to the Police Academy at Columbia Greene Community College with no financial obligation or promise of employment after completion

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

11. WHEREAS, the Village of Athens must undertake a project to repair, reconstruct and/or construct new drying beds in connection with its municipal water treatment plant, and

WHEREAS, applying for a listing on the Intended Use Plan is a necessary step to obtain funding support through both the CWSRF and DWSRF programs, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens has retained Lamont Engineers to provide the design and supporting services for the upgrade of the Water Treatment Program Waste Disposal Upgrade,

RESOLVED, the Village of Athens hereby authorizes Lamont Engineers to apply for listing on both the CWSRF and DWSRF Intended Use Plans.

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

12. Proposed Resolution Increasing Personal Days for Non-Union Employees

RESOLVED, the number of personal days available to the non-union full time staff members is hereby increased to five personal days from three

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

Mayor's Report

1. Meeting with Brick Row Residents on Sidewalk and Drainage.
2. Sewer Plant Boundaries
3. Letter to NYSDEC Thru Delaware Engineering: Re WWTP Spill and establishing extent of contamination and recommended approach..
4. Wayne Boyer: Request to Remove Tree on Vernon Street

Trustee Reports

Communications

1. Letter from Palmateer Family: Expressing gratitude for temporarily closing street
2. VRI: Letter to DEC announcing lagoon sample non-compliance
3. Letter from Tal Rappleeya: EFC and DOH Grant Opening Announcement
4. Letter to Owner of 25 Union Street: Notice of Violation from the Village announcing that the existing mobile home is no longer considered a conforming structure and must be removed,
5. Central Hudson: Letter from the Central Hudson Greenleaf Program: Grants available to upgrade interior lighting to LED
6. 2015 Exemption Impact Report
7. Eugene Hatton: Dangerous conditions at 62 Second Street/ Refrigerator left unsecured
8. NYS Study on Telecommunications in New York State

Past Issues

1. Lagoon/Lagoon
2. DPW Garage. Where are we going with this?
3. Brick Row Sidewalk

New Business

1. SPDES Permit for WTTP's

2. Roof at old filtration plant
3. Repairs to Firehouse Roof
4. Personal Days for Non-Union Staff
5. Local Law Imposing Lien on Insurance Proceeds
6. Street Festival
7. Clean up after APAC

Clerk's Report:

1. Comptroller's Report
2. Water Meter Software
3. Vacation: July 27-August 7

Motion to Adjourn:

Time: 9:30PM

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