

VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

Agenda—July 23, 2014 Time: 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Mayor Christian Pfister, Trustee Robert June, Trustee Anthony Patsky and Trustee Peter Alberti.

Trustee Gail Lasher absent.

Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea was also present.

Public Agenda:

Although there wasn't any Public Agenda for this evening's meeting the Mayor asked if anyone in the public this evening would like to speak.

1. *Peter Bruno, resident of Athens*, spoke regarding the fact that the Village has been urging him to connect to the Municipal water/sewer service. Mr. Bruno's residence is in the village where the municipal water and sewer line run. He states that he is not hooked into either system. However, according to NYS Law any property along the municipal sewer must be connected to municipal sewer. He would like to know how the village board is going to handle this issue since his neighbor, whom he shares a driveway with, will not allow him to bring the sewer/water line to his house.

Mayor Pfister stated that he will have to look into the situation further and research the matter legally. The Mayor would like his residence hooked up to the village sewer system and if that can't happen then we would like some reassurance that the septic system is being properly taken care of.

The Village Attorney stated that the first step is to look at Mr. Bruno and his neighbors deed.

2. *Tom Cali, resident of the village*, stated that the Village has been doing a lot of flushing of the water system in the village. As a result of that he has had to run his water a lot in order to get it to run clear. He would like to know if the village board will be making an adjustment to consumers water bills to compensate for this?

The Mayor stated that there has never been an adjustment made in the past and there probably will not be one in the future.

Motions and Resolutions

1. Proposed Resolution to Approve the Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, the minutes, as amended, for the June 25 and July 9 meetings are approved

Offered by: Trustee June

Seconded by: Trustee Patsky

Record of vote: All in favor

2. Proposed Resolution authorizing payment of the Vouchers

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

GENERAL FUND – Abstracts #1803 and #1804, vouchers numbered #9913856 through #9913877 in the amount of \$25,254.10 and voucher #9913900 in the amount of \$122.34.

WATER FUND – Abstracts #10308 and #10309, vouchers numbered #9913878 through #9913886 in the amount of \$19,603.14 and vouchers numbered #9913897 and #9913898 in the amount of \$1,185.08.

SEWER FUND – Abstract #10284, vouchers numbered #9913887 through #9913896 in the amount of \$15,645.40.

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

3. Proposed Resolution Removing Water And Sewer Rents from the Property Tax Bill of Peter Bruno: Parcel#122.19-2-10

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did test Mr. Bruno's water supply and determined that his water supply was not provided by the Village of Athens,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did observe the presence of a private septic system serving Mr. Bruno's property,

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens requires all properties served by the village sewer system to be connected to that system,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees directs the Village Clerk/Treasurer to remove all sewer and water charges from Mr. Bruno's current property tax bill and,

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Athens directs the Village Attorney to take the steps necessary to assure that Mr. Bruno's property is connected to the village sewer system.

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

4. Resolution Authorizing the Village of Athens to Participate in the County Bid for #2 Fuel Oil

WHEREAS, Greene County solicited bids for the supply of #2 Fuel Oil for the period of June 1, 2014 thru May 31, 2014,

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid was Main-Care Energy,

WHEREAS, Greene County has authorized the participation of its municipalities in the fuel procurement program,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Main-Care Energy for the purchase of #2 Fuel Oil per the bid awarded by Greene on April 18, 2014.

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

5. Resolution Authorizing the Village of Athens to Participate in the County Bid for #2 Diesel Fuel

WHEREAS, Greene county solicited bids for the supply of #2 Fuel Oil for the period of August 16, 2014 thru August 15, 2015,

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid was Main-Care Energy,

WHEREAS, Greene County has authorized the participation of its municipalities in the fuel procurement program,

BE IT RESOLVED , the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Main-Care Energy for the purchase of #2D Diesel Fuel per the bid awarded by Greene on July 16, 2014.

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

6. Resolution Authorizing the Village of Athens to Participate in the County Bid for Gasoline

WHEREAS, Greene county solicited bids for the supply of Gasoline for the period of August 16, 2014 thru August 15, 2015,

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid was Main-Care Energy,

WHEREAS, Greene County has authorized the participation of its municipalities in the fuel procurement program,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Main-Care Energy for the purchase of gasoline per the bid awarded by Greene County on July 16, 2014.

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

Communications:

1. Greene County Planning Board: Ellen Rettus Planning Achievement nominations due
2. MH Professional Engineering, PLLC: Study on HVAC needs at the fire house
3. Young Sommer: Camoin Associates to start economic impact study on converter station/property values and construction impacts on local business
4. NYCOM: Abandoned Properties Summit
5. Alex Betke: Meeting with NYHCR on Elco Project

Mayor's Report

Unfinished Business

1. DPW Contract
2. Firehouse HVAC
3. LDC/Betke/ELCO
4. Mulch for Playscape/Financing
5. DPW Contract
6. West Point Partners Application Update
7. Planning Board Vacancy
8. Speeding on Leeds-Athens and N. Vernon St.
9. Fire Truck Acquisition Process

New Business

1. Traffic Law/Snow Emergency Regs
2. Project Calendar for DPW
3. Code Revisions
4. Water and Sewer Billing: Harris
5. Street Festival Committee

Clerk's Report

1. Update on Comptroller's Report
2. Update on Street Festival

Motion to Adjourn

Time: 8:30PM

Offered by: Trustee Alberti

Seconded by: Trustee June

Record of vote: All in favor