

ATHENS VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

JULY 14, 2010

PRESENT: Mayor Andrea Smallwood, Trustee Herman Reinhold, Trustee Tom Sopris, Trustee Robert June and Trustee Gail Lasher.

Code Enforcement Officer Mike Ragaini, DPW Director Dennis Proper, Fire Department Chief John Greco, Police Chief Roger Masse and Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea were also in attendance.

PLEDGE to the Flag.

BID OPENING – FIRE DEPARTMENT:

As advertised in the Hudson-Catskill Newspaper on June 16 and June 17, 2010.
Bids received:

- 6000 PSI Compressor/Fill Station/Cascade System.
2 Bids received:
 - Haight Fire Equipment - \$43,900.00.
 - MES Equipment - \$39,764.54

- New Turnout gear, boots and helmets.
2 Bids received:
 - Garrison (turnout coats) \$21,225.00
 - Garrison (turnout pants w/ suspenders) \$22,100.00
 - Garrison (Bunker Boots) \$5,975.00
 - Garrison (Firefighter helmet) \$4,625.00
 - TOTAL = \$53,925.00

 - MES (turnout coats) \$23,822.25
 - MES (turnout pants) \$23,913.75
 - MES (Bunker Boots) \$5,324.50
 - MES (Firefighter helmet) \$4,776.25
 - TOTAL = \$57,836.75

The Athens Fire Department and the Village Attorney will review the bids to determine that they adhere to proper guidelines and specifications. After reviewed, the bids will be awarded at a future Village Board Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Cameo's Restaurant – Joshua Lackie. Re: Renewal Application – State Liquor Authority.

2. Jake Silver-NNY Productions. Re: Application for use of Athens Riverfront Park. The Village Board discussed having a location fee attached to the use of the park. A fee of \$500.00 per day was discussed. A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Sopris, seconded by Trustee Reinhold, all in favor, to give the Mayor the authority to negotiate a fee with the Company after meeting with them.
3. Greene County Department for the Aging. Re: 12-month Service Report.
4. City of Kingston Office of Economic and Community Development. Re: Ferry Feasibility Study.
5. Greene County Legislature. Re: Informational Meeting Regarding 2010 and 2011 County Budgets.
6. NYSERDA. Re: FlexTech Program- Program Opportunity Notice PON 1746.
7. Delaware Engineering, P.C. Re: Invoice #09-685-7.
8. Monty Jordan. Re: Village Tax Bill.
9. Cornell University Cooperative Extension. Re: Local Climate Change Challenges and Opportunities in New York Understanding Municipal Perspectives.
10. Scenic Hudson, Inc. Re: 'Revitalizing Hudson Riverfronts: Illustrated Conservation & Development Strategies for Creating Healthy, Prosperous Communities.
11. Lee Palmateer Supervisor Town of Athens. Re: Town of Athens Court Security.
12. Veolia Water. Re: Electrical Rebate/overage – 2009.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee June, seconded by Trustee Reinhold, all in favor to pay the following vouchers:

Abstract #1605 – GENERAL FUND.

Abstract #10199 – WATER FUND.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee June, seconded by Trustee Reinhold, all in favor, to accept the Bid by Keil Equipment for the 2 Ton Diesel Asphalt Roller as was previously bid out (bids read allowed on June 23, 2010) in the amount of \$23,531.00. Monies will be taken from the DPW equipment Reserve Fund.

The Village Board discussed the issue regarding Robert Fensterer's property located at 29 N. Franklin Street. A house fire had previously destroyed the house and the property has not been cleaned up. A letter had previously been written requesting the owner clean up the property but to no avail. The Village Board agreed to enforce **Chapter 17 Section 11-Unsafe Buildings** in that "All costs and expenses incurred by the Village in connection with an unsafe building, including the cost of actually repairing or demolishing and removing the building... shall be assessed to and levied against the real property involved and shall be added to and included in the Village of Athens Real Property Tax.

A letter will be sent to Robert Fensterer stating that the Village DPW will be coming on July 22, 2010 to clean the property and costs incurred will be levied onto the Village Property Tax as per CHAPTER 17-Section 11 – UNSAFE BUILDINGS.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Sopris, seconded by Trustee June, all in favor, to sponsor Brianne Quigley to attend the Kingston Police Academy.

Mayor Smallwood stated that she authorizes the re-location of bluestone in the sidewalks around James Gaudette's home on the corner of N. Franklin Street and Second Street and also to secure more bluestone for his sidewalks to level the walks out and also replace cracked sidewalks. The reason for authorizing this is to ensure that his homeowners liability insurance is renewed and also to lessen his liability.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee June, seconded by Trustee Reinhold, all in favor to approve an invoice in the amount of \$5170.00 to Upstate Testing & Controls (Kenneth Schunk) to correct the SCADA program at the Water Filtration Plant.

The Village Board discussed the Zoning Review Committee document (proposed zoning changes for the Village of Athens). The Mayor stated that she has provided all Board Members with a copy of the Draft Document and they will have to start to review the document since a Public Hearing will be scheduled soon to receive public comment.

A MOTION was made to adjourn tonight's meeting at 9:00PM.

Good evening!

Mary Jo Wynne