

Village of Athens
2 First Street, Athens, NY 12015
Monthly Meeting, March 22, 2017

Members Present: Mayor Chris Pfister, Trustees Peter Alberti, Marla Butler, Robert June @ 6:50, and Acting Secretary, Peggy Snyder

Pledge to the Flag

A valid quorum was present for voting purposes.
Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Pfister

Public Meeting:

1. None

Motions and Resolutions

1. Proposed Resolution Awarding Lawn care Bid

WHEREAS, the Village of Athens did advertise for bids on its annual Lawn Care Contract

WHEREAS, only a single bid was received,

WHEREAS, the bid was deemed to be acceptable,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees, does hereby, award the 2017 Lawn Care Bid to Thomas Sheffer/dba Hilltop Lawn Service Plus for the amount of \$17,040.00.

Offered by: Trustee Butler
Seconded by: Trustee Alberti
Record of vote: 3 -0, Motion carried

2. Proposed Resolution Setting Date for Hearing

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby set April 12, 2017 as the date for a public hearing on the Budget for FY 2017-2018.

Offered by: Trustee Alberti
Seconded by: Trustee Butler
Record of Vote: 3-0, Motion carried

3. Proposed Resolution to Pay the Vouchers

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes the payment of the vouchers presented.

Offered by: Trustee June
Seconded by: Trustee Alberti
Record of Vote: 4 -0, Motion carried

Trustee Reports

1. Trustee Butler:

- Spoke with Terry and Margaret and they complained about 4-wheelers riding around their property and backing into their driveway. They asked if it was possible for the chemical company to put markings on their vehicles to identify them and possibly a sign being posted that the property was for official business only.
 - Mayor Pfister stated that he will speak with Seth at Surpass Chemical about the use of the 4-wheeler and staying off their property.
- Trustee butler asked for permission to figure out times for people and organizations to use the gym because of things getting delayed due to the recent storm.
 - Mayor Pfister stated that she should go ahead and do this.

2. Trustee June:

- Nothing to report

3. Trustee Alberti:

- Trustee Albert rose and thanked Mayor Pfister for his service to the community as the Mayor for the past eight years and presented him with a gift card from staff and colleagues.
- Trustee Alberti thanked Trustee June for his past six years of service to the community as a Trustee and presented him with a gift card from staff and colleagues.

Past Business

1. Web site

- Trustee Alberti stated that he has been working on the website with Mary Jo and will continue to do so.

2. Short term note

- Mayor Pfister stated that he will check to see how long this can be carried.

3. WTTP roof

- Mayor Pfister stated that the snow got into the filtration building and everything got wet, it possibly entered under the ridge vent. Trustee Alberti suggested that he talk to John about using the bucket truck to look at the roof as it would be safer than using a ladder.

New Business

1. Filtration plant roof

- Mayor Pfister asked if Pete Schmidt repaired the leak and Trustee Alberti stated he will follow-up on this.

2. Budget

- Mayor Pfister stated that the budget is still being worked on.

3. Speeding complaint

- Mayor Pfister stated that he has talked to Roger about issuing tickets. It was asked by Trustee June if the State can reduce the speed limit in area and also put a crosswalk in the area of the ballfield.

Mayor Report

1. Mayor Pfister stated that he spoke with Stephan Bradicich this morning and he is interested in sitting on the Water Advisory Board.
2. Anthony and the Mayor met with the attorney this morning and have to give dispositions tomorrow.
3. Letter received from Direct Energy, will wait until Mary Jo returns for more information on this.
4. Mayor Pfister called Rocco from the Teamsters and let him know that he was leaving and would not be involved any longer and that he will have Pete contact him. Mayor Pfister will go items with Pete.
5. Mr. Oaks has until the end of April and then the Village will move forward.
6. There is \$128,000 in the revolving loan fund for the Historic District if anyone knows of someone living in the Historic District that would like to apply for a loan.
7. Date for the organizational meeting is set for April 3, 2017 at 6:30 pm, this was set last year.
8. Mayor Pfister stated that the Town Highway Superintendent, John J. Farrell has filled in a lot for the Village over the past year. No money was ever given for this service. Mayor Pfister would like to see him compensated in some way for his service. Attorney Rapplyea stated there would need to be a contract to do this. Mayor Pfister stated that \$7,000 was set aside in the budget for this purpose. Attorney Rapplyea said this could be done with a retro-active contract but it would need to be filtered through the Town for payroll tax purposes. Attorney Rapplyea will look into this.

Communications

1. Data request on snow storm
 - *County trying to qualify for aid. Mayor Pfister stated they could submit the towing charge.*
2. NYSLRS: Contact and security administrators
 - *Mayor Pfister stated that Mary Jo will send out this information*

Other Business

The Board reviewed funding.

Motion to adjourn made by Trustee Alberti and seconded by Trustee June, Vote 4-0, Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm by Mayor Pfister.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Snyder
Acting Secretary