

VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

June 24, 2009

PRESENT: Mayor Andrea Smallwood, Trustee Tim O’Leary, Trustee Herman Reinhold and Trustee Robert June.
Trustee Tom Sopris is absent.

Code Enforcement Officer Mike Ragaini, Fire Department Chief John Greco and the Village Attorney were also in attendance.

PLEDGE to the Flag.

APPLICATION: Fire Police. **APPLICANTS:** Phyllis Dinkelacker and Steven Benjamin. **RESOLUTION** made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee June, a.i.f., to accept Applicants as Fire Police for the Athens Fire Dept. on the recommendation of the Chief.

PUBLIC:

1. *Dave Kornell, owner of K.C. Sunshine Ent. and Darlene Coladrea*, attended the meeting to request final payment for the project on 4th Street (kayak/canoe launch).

Mayor Smallwood stated that she had just received the final paperwork from the Engineer today. The Board has not had a chance to review it.

Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea concurred that he had just received it that afternoon.

The Board will review it and get back to him as to what K.C. Sunshine will need to provide for substantial completion of this project and further payments.

2. *Ruth Gutman, Community Advocate for Rip Van Winkle Tobacco-free Coalition*, attended the meeting to offer assistance to the Village if they would like to create ‘smoke free’ outdoor zones, for instance, playgrounds and ball fields.

They would help with signs, etc.

The Village Board expressed interest and will get back to her if they decide to go ahead with this.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Market Street Residents. Re: Concern about speeding cars.
2. Office of Community Renewal-NYS Housing Trust Fund Corporation. Re: Request for Project Status Report NYS CDBG Project #56ED580-06.
3. Greene County Real Property Tax Service. Re: Request for Resolution regarding property id#122.19-1-11 (Whittaker, Mary)- Assessors office clerical error on exemption status. A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee June, a.i.f., to adjust exemption status and therefore adjust tax amount for Mary Whittaker (#122.19-1-11).
4. SEMO. Re: Project Completion Report – Winter storm December 11- 31, 2008.
5. Kaaterskill Associates. Re: 4th Street/kayak launch- certified payrolls and miscellaneous documents.
6. NYSDEC. Re: Sewer Moratorium.
7. Robert Hersehel. Re: Softball league.
8. Racine’s Carpet Cleaning. Re: Proposal for carpet cleaning.
9. Ron Puhalski. Re: Halloween Event. A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee June, 2nd by Trustee O’Leary, a.i.f., granting permission to the Pumpkin Parade Committee to hold their annual event as specified in their letter.
10. NYSDEC. Re: 4th St. Kayak Launch modification.
11. NYS- Unified Court System. Re: Justice Court Assistance Program.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A MOTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee O'Leary, a.i.f., to approve the Minutes from Meetings held on May 13 and May 27, 2009.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee O'Leary, a.i.f., approving payment of the following vouchers:

GENERAL- Abstract #1554 – vouchers numbered 9909174 through 9909224.

WATER-Abstract #10177 – vouchers numbered 9909207 through 9909215.

SEWER-Abstract #10162 – voucher # 9909216.

YOUTH – Abstract #37- voucher #9909221.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee O'Leary, a.i.f., approving the route that Greene County Rural Health has suggested for the 'Health walk' in the Village. Signs will be erected.

The Village Board has decided to continue doing business with KOSCO for the purchase of Fuel oil for the next year due to the fact that KOSCO has offered to give the Village the same rate as the County Bid price. Switching vendors sometimes creates problems since the village has numerous locations and schedules for delivery. Also KOSCO is familiar with each particular system.

A RESOLUTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee June, a.i.f., to transfer \$30,000.00 from the 'Proceeds from Firehouse Sales' to the newly created 'Relocation and construction of DPW garage' Account.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Reinhold, 2nd by Trustee O'Leary, a.i.f., to adjourn the meeting at 8:45PM.

Good Night!

MJW