

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board of Trustees was held on Monday, July 1, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton, NY.

Present: Edward Snow, Sr., Mayor

Reporters: Bob Cairns – The Walton Reporter

Trustees: Teresa O’Leary  
Alan Reynolds  
David Breese  
Charles Gregory

Attorney: David Merzig, Esq. was not required to attend

Clerk: Jody Brown

Mayor Edward Snow, Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**LOCAL LAW 2013-3** The Clerk read the legal notice for the Public Hearing for Local Law 2013-2 §18-1 Domesticated Fowl. Trustee Gregory made a motion to open the Public Hearing at 6:01 pm. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

There was no public input.

Trustee Gregory made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:02 pm. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously. Trustee Gregory made a motion to pass Local Law 2013-2, Domesticated Fowl as presented. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

**ABSTRACTS:** The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:  
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$40,287.29 was presented to the Board.  
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$8,412.93 was presented to the Board.  
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$151,913.92 was presented to the Board.  
The Water Capital Fund Abstract in the sum of \$5,133.87 was presented to the Board.  
The Park St. Capital Fund Abstract in the sum of \$4,820.14 was presented to the Board.

Trustee Reynolds made a motion to approve the abstracts of \$210,568.15 as submitted. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT** Stephen Dutcher, Code Enforcement Official submitted his monthly report for June 2013.

**FLOODPLAIN TRAINING** Stephen Dutcher requested permission to attend training floodplain training. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to allow Steve to attend the floodplain training on July 23, 2013 in Buffalo to attain 6 hrs. of the 10 hrs. needed for additional education at a cost of \$100.00 plus the hotel and mileage. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

**4-6 MILLER AVE.** Steve stated that Holly Hunter-Christovao had been invited to attend the Board meeting to discuss property maint. issues at 4-6 Miller Ave. She let Steve know she would not be attending the meeting, but would like more time to clean up the property and remove the container. It was decided that six years was enough time to get the property cleaned up. Trustee Gregory made a motion have Steve made arrangements to have the storage container moved and expenses charged to the property owner. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC WORKS** Roger Hoyt, DPW Superintendent submitted his written monthly report for June 2013.

**GARDEN ST. PUMP STATION** Roger Hoyt asked the Board to accept the low bids for the Garden St. pump station upgrade. Trustee O’Leary made a motion to accept the \$6,009.25 quote from The Blake Group and the \$600.00 quote from Gary’s Countryside Septic. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a written monthly report for June 2013.

WWTP UPGRADE Lou Dibble from Delaware Operations was in attendance to speak about WWTP upgrades to save the Village money. The project will take about 18 months in total doing them at different times. Plans were submitted to the Board. The total cost of the project being \$1,167,500.00 and saving the Village and NYC \$182,877.00 a year. After much discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to proceed with the WWTP upgrade regarding sludge compression (MBT Project), the EQ blower project and additional automated controls (SCADA Project). Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

TERRACE AVE. WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS A plan for the replacement of the Terrace Ave. watermain was discussed. Trustee Reynolds made a motion to contract with Delaware Engineering \$61,000 for the project, including design through construction and to spend approximately \$300,000.00 for the replacement of the Terrace Ave. watermain from the water fund. Construction will take four to six weeks. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

CBUD AIR PIPING REPAIR Bill Brown requested the Board authorize the repair of the piping in the CBUD building. Trustee Breese made a motion to authorize the clerk to issue a purchase order to A. Treffeisen & Son for \$15,900.00 for the WWTP repairs to the CBUD air piping with NY City paying for the repairs. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

WATER PROJECT CHANGE ORDER Bill Brown requested additional payment for costs incurred by Delaware Engineering. Trustee Reynolds made a motion to authorize Mayor Snow to sign change order #3 for Delaware Engineering in the amount of \$19,609.50 payable with grant funds and contingency money from the Capitol Fund. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY Chief Lauser submitted his written monthly report for June 2013.

Trustee O’Leary wanted to say “Thank you” to the Village Police Dept. and all the other agencies that assisted with the investigation of the Facebook threats. Trustee Breese also said “Thank you” for all the hard work.

HANDICAPPED PARKING A letter was received from the Town of Walton Board requesting a handicapped parking spot in front of the Town Hall. The sign would have to be 20 ft. from the corner of North and Pine St. Trustee Breese made a motion to hold a public hearing on designating a handicapped parking space in front of the Town Hall on August 5, 2013 at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

**TRUSTEES REPORTS:**

Trustee Gregory: All issues covered with the Department Heads.  
Trustee Breese: All issues covered with Delaware Engineering/Operations regarding the WWTP upgrade and the Terrace Ave. project.  
Trustee Reynolds: Working on obtaining a camera for the sewer mains.

SUMMER EMPLOYEES Trustee O’Leary submitted a list of candidates for life guards. Trustee O’Leary made a motion to hire Merissa Castillo at \$9.50 per hour as a water safety instructor, and Elizabeth Brown and Mackenie Westcott at \$9.00 per hour as lifeguards. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT Mayor Snow laid down the ground rules for public input and then opened the floor to the public. Mayor Snow asked people to stand, identify themselves and state their address.

No public input.

4-H DUCK RACE A letter was received from Cornell Cooperative Extension regarding the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual 4-H Duck Race. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Gregory to allow the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual 4-H Duck Race from the Ogden St. bridge to the Robinson Auction Barn on July 13, 2013. Trustee Reynolds

seconded. Carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF CLAIMS DESIGNATION The clerk submitted the Board with a resolution regarding General Municipal Law §53 regarding notices of claim. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to designate the Secretary of State to receive notices of claim on the Villages behalf. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

RETAINER AGREEMENTS/ CONTRACTS The clerk submitted four contracts to the Board. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to allow the Mayor to sign the contracts with Attorney Merzig for \$200.00 month (no increase); Delaware Engineering for one year, \$4,500 per year (no increase); Mostert, Manzanero & Scott for \$15,000.00 , and the Town of Walton for the recreation program paying the Village \$27,000. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

THEATER LEASE Jayne Francisco of Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. requested a lease renewal for the Theater. Trustee Reynolds made a motion to renew the lease agreement with R.S.S. for two years with a 2% increase annually. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee O'Leary made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the Teamster's Contract issues at 7:10 pm. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action was taken during executive session.

Trustee Breese made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:29 pm. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN Trustee Gregory made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, August 5, 2013 at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer