

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, March 3, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor
Trustees: Teresa O'Leary
Allan Reynolds
David Breese
Charles Gregory

Reporters: Bob Cairns – Walton Reporter

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

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

A moment of silence was observed.

PUBLIC HEARING LOCAL LAW 2014-1 Trustee Gregory made a motion to open a public hearing to hear public opinion on proposed Local Law 2014-1 to add Chapter 40B: Rental Property and Agent Registration. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

Robert Vitti asked about extending the radius further to encompass landlords who live out of the Walton township. The new law will allow for owners of business' in Walton. The purpose of the new law is for a contact person to be available if needed.

Carol Avila asked about inspections at Mountianview Estates. The inspections are state law and need to be completed in public areas of the complex every three years.

Trustee O'Leary made a motion to close the public hearing. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Gregory made a motion to pass Local Law 2014-1 adding Chapter 40B: Rental Property and Agent Registration as submitted. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$26,169.48 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$38,250.51 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$110,178.82 was presented to the Board.
The Small Cities Fund Abstract in the sum of \$0.00 was presented to the Board.
The WWTP Upgrade Fund Abstract in the sum of \$14,480.60 was presented to the Board.
After review and discussion, Trustee Gregory made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

PUBLIC SAFETY Chief Lauser submitted a monthly report for February 2014.

PUBLIC WORKS Roger Hoyt, Superintendent of Public Works submitted a monthly report for February 2014.

CORROSION CONTROL Roger Hoyt requested permission to switch from caustic soda to Carus 8600 for treating the water per the Department of Health. After discussion, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to purchase the pumps and tubing necessary to switch to using Carus 8600 at the estimated cost of \$730.00 ea for the pumps. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

CODE ENFORCEMENT Stephen Dutcher, Code Enforcement Official submitted a monthly report for February 2014.

**VILLAGE
ENGINEER**

Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a monthly report for February 2014.

**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 identify themselves, and state their address.

Robert Vitti stated that the DPW crew is doing a good job.

Maureen Wachta stated that the Walton Chamber of Commerce had purchased more Christmas lights for the Christmas tree behind the National Bank.

Tara Jameson of Feather & Stone Restaurant, 38 West St. Ste. 1& 2 submitted their liquor license paperwork to the clerk. The full restaurant and bar will be opening soon.

GAZEBO

Patty Wood submitted plans for the gazebo at Lower Bassett Park. So far, between \$7,000 and \$8,000 has been raised for the building of a new gazebo. The location of the gazebo was discussed. Patty will be getting the name of the builder of record to us. Patty will be marking the proposed location so that the Trustee can see exactly where to position it. Trustee O'Leary made a motion to move forward with the building of a new gazebo in Lower Bassett Park. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

TRUSTEES REPORTS:

Trustee O'Leary – everything covered in committee

Trustee Reynolds said Thank you to the DPW crew for keeping up.

Trustee Breese – everything covered in committee

**FIRE SAFETY
PROPERTY
MAINT. FEES**

Trustee Gregory submitted proposed fees schedule for the Fire & Property Inspections. After review, Trustee Gregory made a motion to amend the current fee schedule to include the fire safety and property maintenance inspections as submitted, Multi-Family, Commercial \$40.00 every three years, Assembly \$25.00 annually, Churches no charge annually and re-inspections \$75.00. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

**MAYOR'S
REPORT**

The Mayor said Thank you to the DPW crew and the police dept. for all the work that they do. The Village Election is March 18th and two Trustees seats are up for election this year.

Mayor Snow said that Attorney Merzig is proceeding with the foreclosure process for property owners who are three years or more behind in paying their Village property tax.

**MOSTERT,
MANZANERO,
& SCOTT**

The auditor's agreement for 2013-2014 was presented to the Board. After review, Trustee Gregory made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2014-2015 agreement for Mostert, Manzanero, & Scott to do the audit for 2013-2014. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

**ELECTION
NOTICE**

The clerk needs put a legal notice in the Reporter with the polling place, hours the polls are open, who is running for office and how the votes will be cast. Trustee Gregory made a motion to authorize the clerk to place a legal notice in The Reporter for the March 18, 2014 election from noon to 9:00 pm in the Village Hall voting by paper ballot. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

**METAL
DETECTING**

A letter was received from Jared Mead requesting permission to use his metal detector in Austin-Lincoln Park. After review and discussion, Trustee Gregory made a motion to allow Jared Mead use his metal detector in Austin-Lincoln Park with the understanding that he replaces all the divots and complies with the Abandoned Property Law. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

**SEWER UNITS
141 DELAWARE**

A letter from Louis Banker was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to reduce the sewer units at 141 Delaware St. from 2.5 to .75 to reflect a vacant lot. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

**COUNTY
STIPULATION
FORECLOSURES**

The annual Delaware County Stipulation was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made to enter into stipulation with Delaware County to enforce past due taxes and to pass a resolution to divide the proceeds of the sale in proportion to the taxes owed for the year 2012 & 2013. Trustee

Breese seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

EXECUTIVE Trustee Reynolds made a motion to enter executive session to discuss Teamster's negotiations, and
SESSION Police Personnel at 7:23 pm. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action was taken during executive session.

Trustee Gregory made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:03 p.m. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee O'Leary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the
MEETING Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer