The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, April 6, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor Reporters: Bob Cairns, The Reporter

Trustees: Teresa O'Leary

Charles Gregory David Breese Allan Reynolds

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.

Rev. Larry Light of the New Hope Church led the invocation.

APPOINTMENTS: Mayor Snow read the appointments. Trustee Reynolds made a motion make the appointments as read. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPUTY MAYOR Teresa O'Leary **CLERK-TREASURER** Jody L. Brown **DEPUTY CLERK-TREASURER** Misty Phoenix SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS Roger D. Hoyt **POLICE CHIEF** Brian diLorenzo **BUILDING INSPECTOR** Stephen L. Dutcher **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL** Stephen L. Dutcher **ATTORNEY David Merzig**

HISTORIAN Walton Historical Society

BUDGET OFFICER Jody L. Brown
TAX COLLECTOR Jody L. Brown
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS Jody L. Brown
DEPUTY REGISTRAR Misty Phoenix

HEALTH OFFICER Dr. Rodriguez-Betancourt

JUSTICE Paul Laauser
ACTING JUSTICE Richard Gumo

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS NBDC Bank

National Bank of Delhi Community Bank

MEDIA Newspaper – The Reporter

Radio Station - WDLA

BOARD MEETINGS The monthly Board of Trustees meetings will be held on the first

Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. except when it falls on a holiday, then it will be on the second Monday of the month. Any other meetings

will be fixed by the Board at its discretion.

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGThe monthly Planning Board meeting will be held on the first Thursday

of each month at 6:00 p.m. except when it falls on a holiday, on which occasion the date will be determined by the Planning Board.

ZONING BOARD MEETINGS

As needed.

2015		MAUREEN WACHA - ACTING CHAIR	5 YEARS
		ROBERT LOCHERER	4 YEARS
	ZONING BOARD	RICHARD GANZIO	3 YEARS
		GREGORY MILLER	2 YEARS
		LAWRENCE STRATTON	1 YEAR
		RICHARD SARRANTONIO	5 YEARS
		SETH KLEINMAN	4 YEARS
	PLANNING BOARD	SETH WILDENSTEIN	3 YEARS
		JOHN CLARK	2 YEARS
		ANDREW JACKSON - Chair	1 YEAR
	PUBLIC WORKS	ALLEN REYNOLDS	
	PUBLIC SAFETY	TERESA O'LEARY	
MAYOR		ALLAN REYNOLDS	
	RECREATION	TERESA O'LEARY	
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	CODE ENFORCEMENT	CHARLES GREGORY	
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	WWTP	DAVID BREESE	
		EDWARD SNOW	
	AUDIT, MUNICIPAL PLANNING &	TERESA O'LEARY	
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
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ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:

The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$78,521.40 was presented to the Board.

The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$10,355.09 was presented to the Board.

The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$153,918.82 was presented to the Board.

The Wastewater Capital Upgrade fund Abstract in the sum of \$378.38 was presented to the Board.

The Screw Press Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$4,147.25 was presented to the Board.

The Small Cities fund Abstract in the sum of \$0.00 was presented to the Board.

After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Stephen Dutcher submitted a monthly report for March 2015. CODE **ENFORCEMENT**

UNSAFE STRUCTURE HEARING

On March 12, 2015, Stephen Dutcher, Code Enforcement Official, sent a letter the John Robinson owner of 56 Delaware regarding a roof collapse. The letter stated that repairs would require a building permit and would need to begin immediately and be completed within 90 days. If Mr. Robinson chose to demolish, a permit would be required and the demolition would need to be completed within 30 days.

After much discussion, Trustee Gregory made a motion to have the owner of 56 Delaware St. take the structure down and have the debris removed by May 6, 2015. Trustee Breese seconded. Trustee Gregory, Trustee Breese, Trustee O'Leary voted yes, Trustee Reynolds abstained. Motion passed.

ANALYSIS

LOCAL FLOOD The Local Flood Analysis was submitted to the Board. After discussion, Trustee Gregory made a motion to pass a resolution to accept the Local Flood Analysis for the West Branch of the Delaware River as complete. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

POLICE DEPT.

Brian diLorenzo, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for March 2015. Chief diLorenzo stated that April 10th – 15th is the National Distracted Driver Campaign.

CROSSWALKS The Chief stated that pedestrians have the right-of-way in a crosswalk only at an uncontrolled crossing.

DEPT. OF Roger Hoyt, DPW Superintendent, submitted a monthly report for March 2015. PUBLIC WORKS

VILLAGE **ENGINEER** Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a monthly report for March 2015.

DIGESTER **SERVICES**

A contract for professional services was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee Breese made a PROFESSIONAL motion to approve the Delaware Engineering Professional Services Agreement for an amount not to exceed \$850,000.00 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

DELAWARE John Moffett submitted a monthly report for March 2015. Plant is working fine. **OPERATIONS**

OPERATIONS & A new contract was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to approve the MAINTENANCE O&M Contract to run the wastewater treatment plant for the next three years as submitted and authorize **WWTP** the Mayor to sign. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

CHANGE ORDER

SCREW PRESS A change order was presented to the Board. After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to approve the change order for the screw press project to increase the size of the press to a 30" instead of a 24" because of the increased sludge production and previous pilot tests and authorize the Mayor to sign it the documents with a cost of the increase of \$22,000.00. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

SECURITY **CAMERA**

The Board told Justice Laauser "Thank You" for applying for and receiving a grant of \$14,045.00 to be used towards security cameras for the Village Hall and Court. Judge Laauser stated that the cameras will not have audio just video and that the monitors will be upstairs in the court office. The cameras will be motion activated and the video will be saved for about a month. The Board was concerned about the Board room having video because it is sometimes used for the Theater as a dressing room. It was stated that the cameras can be programed no to run at certain times. The Board agreed that no cameras will be placed inside the Clerk's Office.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mayor Snow opened the floor to the public. He asked all who wished to speak to stand and state their name and address.

Patti Wilcox of 41 Howell St. requested forgiveness of her frozen water meter invoice. After much discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to forgive the water meter invoice, Trustee Gregory seconded, Carried unanimously.

Bruce Dolph asked the Village Board to waive the taxes on 181 Delaware St. so the Town could move forward with the purchase of the property and the demolition of the building. The Town will be paying \$32,000.00

for the property. The clerk strongly objected to losing over \$15,000 of tax, penalty and relevies. Trustee Gregory made a motion to forgive the unpaid amount on 273.07-7-13 181 Delaware St. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Mayor Snow mentioned that there will be a Tax Sale Auction for 10 Mead St. at 11:00 a.m. and 10 Harby **MAYOR'S**

St.

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METAL

PARKS

at 1:00 p.m. on April 25th. These are the two properties that the Village foreclosed on for past due tax. REPORT

Mayor Snow read a letter from the Oneonta Family YMCA. The YMCA was invited by the Walton Central School to explore the possibility of offering after school programming to be held in the elementary school and to explore the additional possibility of operating a Department of Health permitted summer program to be based in the Walton School Facilities. A survey was placed on the WCS website to gage interest in the program.

DELAWARE The Delaware County Foreclosure Action paperwork was received from the County Treasurer. After **COUNTY** review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to pass the resolution of joint sale of tax-acquired properties FORECLOSURE for 2013-2014 & 2014-2015. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously. Copies attached. **STIPULATION**

PUBLIC The tentative 2015-2016 Budget is prepared. The date and time was discussed, it was decided to hold the **HEARING** hearing on April 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall to hear public input regarding the 2015-2016 **BUDGET** Budget.

PUBLIC The Board decided to hold a public hearing on Local Law 2015-1 on April 20, 2015 after the Budget Hearing to hear public opinion on the amending of Chapter 41 § 55 and § 57 Sewer rates. **HEARING** LOCAL LAW

W4-79 A First-time Homebuyer request was presented to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion FIRST-TIME to approve W4-79 for the amount of \$15,000.00. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously. **HOMEBUYER**

A letter from the American Legion Post 32 was submitted to the Board. Trustee Reynolds made a motion **MEMORIAL** DAY PARADE to allow the American Legion to have a Memorial Day Parade on May 25th at 10:00 a.m. from the Walton Central School Bus garage to the Walton Cemetery and returning to Gardiner Pl. around 11:00 a.m. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

A letter was received regarding using metal detectors in the Village's Parks. After review, Trustee Reynolds DETECTOR made a motion to allow Robert Eck and William Motovick to metal detect in Lower Bassett Park and Austin-Lincoln Park following the Abandoned Property Law that if something of value is found in a public place, it has to be given to the police to hold for six months, if no one claims is, it is deemed "abandoned" and the person who found it gets to keep it such as jewelry and currency and that all divots are replaced. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN Trustee Reynolds made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, May 4, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the **MEETING** Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer