

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, September 1, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall,
21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor

Reporters: Ron Galley, The Reporter

Trustees: Teresa O'Leary

Charles Gregory

David Breese

Allan Reynolds, Absent

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.

Reverend Stephen McCarthy of the Reformed Presbyterian Church led the invocation.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$70,879.02 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$9,664.22 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$94,889.35 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Capital Upgrade fund Abstract in the sum of \$3,500 was presented to the Board.
The Screw Press Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$0 was presented to the Board.
The Digester Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$15,165.00 was presented to the Board.
After review, Trustee Gregory made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

CODE ENFORCEMENT Stephen Dutcher Code Enforcement Official submitted a monthly report for August 2015. The CRS scoring visit went well. Steve has started working on gathering the follow-up information.

50 GRISWOLD ST. VIOLATION Steve mentioned that the excavation has stopped at 50 Griswold St. The deadline for repair to the damage to the embankment is September 4th. If Steve hasn't received a response from the property owner's by that time a ticket will be issued.

WATER ST. OPEN SPACE RESOLUTION Steve Dutcher submitted a resolution for the Village owned property on Water St. After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented to preserve the Water St. property, 273.7-7-27.1, as open space in perpetuity. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

FLOOD SIGNS In connection with the CRS, Steve would like to post signs with flood elevation levels. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase flood elevation signs with a not to exceed amount of \$200 to post in different areas. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

POLICE DEPT. Paul Olsen, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for August 2015. The donation from Delaware Cty. of three in car computer systems has been received. Office St. Jacques has obtained the mounting brackets through another donation.

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

TOWNSEND ST. SLOPE FAILURE The slope failure on Townsend St. was discussed. Trustee Breese made a motion to hire Gifford Eng. for a not to exceed amount of \$1,400.00 to perform a site visit and consult on the Townsend St. slope failure. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

WATER PROJECT – TYPE II Bill Brown gave the details for a water project to replace approximately 7,000 feet of old undersized iron watermains. Because we are replacing existing mains, we meet the requirements for a TYPE II action. Trustee Breese made a motion to pass a resolution finding that the project is a TYPE II

SEQR action under SEQR and not subject to further review. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

WATER PROJECT BOND RESOLUTION Bill Brown submitted a Bond Resolution for the water project prepared by Walsh & Walsh, LLP. After review, Trustee Gregory made a motion to adopt a Bond Resolution for the water project as submitted for \$1,722,077.00 with 60% of the funding coming from an EFC grant funds and 40% local share. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

EFC GRANT APPLICATION Trustee Gregory made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the EFC grant application for NY Water Grants program requesting \$1,033,246 (60%) in grant fund for the watermain replacement project. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT No public input.

TRUSTEE REPORTS Trustee O'Leary – The recreation program had 377 participate in the swimming lessons, 62 in basketball, 25 in tennis, and 165 in arts and crafts this summer.

Trustee Gregory made a motion to authorize the Walton Theater Preservation Association to submit a grant application for the railing to the handicap ramp for the Theater. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Gregory made a motion to approve the purchase of up to \$200.00 in material and paint to paint the fire escapes at the Theater and have the WTPA reimburse the Village. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese stated that the Pride Committee has placed 4-H and Walton Central School signs at each entrance to the Village. Follow the Pride Committee on Facebook for dates and locations of meetings.

ADMIN. PLAN FOR THE RENTAL ASSIST. PROGRAM Delaware Opportunities submitted an updated Administrative Plan for the Rental Assistance Program. After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to pass a resolution to approve the Administrative Plan dated August 2015 as submitted and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Plan document. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

BOND RESOLUTION SCREW PRESS PROJECT Trustee Breese made a motion to reverse the previous paying off the Screw Press Project B.A.N. and passing a new Bond Resolution in the amount of \$260,000.00. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

STANDARD WORK DAY RESOLUTION A standard work day resolution is required by the NYS Retirement System. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to established the standard work days for the elected and appointed officials to be reported to the NYS Retirement System. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

SIGNS FOOTBALL A letter was received from Ruth Mathews regarding Varsity Football signs. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion allow the Walton Central School Varsity Football signs to be hung up in the Village and promptly removed at the end of the season. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

THE PENGUIN LIQUOR LICENSE A request from Van-Tag Enterprises, LLC was received requesting a waiver. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to approve the request from Van-Tag Enterprises, LLC operating. The Penguin Café to waive the 30 day Advance notification for a liquor license to sell beer and wine in the restaurant. Trustee Gregory seconded. Carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee Gregory made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Police Personnel at 6:45 p.m. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Gregory made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded.
Carried unanimously.

AARON SMITH Trustee O'Leary made a motion to hire Aaron Smith as a part-time Police Officer at \$20.00 an hour effective immediately. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN Trustee O'Leary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Trustee Gregory seconded.
Carried unanimously.

NEXT The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, October 5, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
MEETING in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer