

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, January 4, 2016, 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

David Breese

Timothy Maguire

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.

PROPOSED MIXED USE ZONE The Mayor called for Public Input on the Proposed Mixed Use District. No one from the public asked any questions or voiced concerns. Trustee O'Leary voiced her objection for changing a law for one person. Code Enforcement Official commented that the current Business District is shrinking and residential is increasing and that the current Business District does not allow for a residence to be on the first floor. Mayor Snow recommended that we go to a public hearing. Trustee Reynolds made a motion to hold a public hearing on Local Law 2016-1 on February 1st at 6:00 p.m. 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 \$45,102.50 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$3,965.15 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$145,964.60 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Capital Upgrade fund Abstract in the sum of \$937.44 was presented to the Board.
The Screw Press Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$687.44 was presented to the Board.
The Digester Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$30,017.18 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:

DELAWARE OPERATIONS John Moffett of Delaware Operations submitted a monthly report for December 2015. The plant experienced a few issues at the end of each week and we are investigating to determine the cause of the upsets.

SAMPLER RENTAL Because of the upsets, recommended to rent samplers. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to rent three samplers for one week at a cost of \$1,500.00 plus extra lab testing. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

SCREW PRESS PROJECT The equipment should be delivered by the first week in February. Additional parts need to be ordered. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to allow the purchase of parts up to \$2,500.00 for the Screw Press Project. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

SLUDGE HAULING BIDS After review of the bids, John Moffett recommended going with Del-Ton. Trustee Reynolds made a motion to accept the bid from Del-Ton at \$11.75 per ton. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

CODE ENFORCEMENT Stephen Dutcher Code Enforcement Official submitted a monthly report for December 2015 and the annual report for 2015. Steve mention that the new flood maps will need to be accepted.

POLICE DEPT. Paul Olsen, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for December 2015 and the annual report for 2015.

ACADEMY SPONSORSHIP Chief Olsen recommended sponsoring someone for the Otsego Academy in March. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to sponsor Fred Babcock, Jr. for the March 29th Otsego Police Academy at his own expense. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

FIELD TRAINING OFFICER Chief Olsen recommended sending two officers to training. After discussion, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to send Officers Dunphy and Haqq to Field Training Officer School at the Otsego County Law Enforcement Academy for a cost of \$50.00 per officer. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT Matthew Myer, Department of Public Works Foreman, submitted a monthly report for December 2015.

NEW WATER METER SYSTEM After months of research and demonstrations, a proposal for a new water meter system was submitted to the Board. After discussion, Trustee O’Leary made a motion purchase the new water meter system from Ti Sales with an equipment cost of \$320,089.42 as presented with \$125,475.05 coming from the sewer fund, installation will be separate. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a monthly report from December 2015. The Village was awarded a \$1.5 million grant through Upstate Revitalization Initiative for the pipeline. Still waiting for word on the grant submitted to Senator Bonacic for the Townsend St. Slope failure.

PUBLIC INPUT The Mayor invited anyone who wanted to speak to state their name and address.
No public input.

TRUSTEES Trustee O’Leary – Everything covered by department head.
Trustee Maguire – Nothing at this time
Trustee Breese – Everything covered already.
Trustee Reynolds said thanks to Matt and that he is doing a good job.

MAYOR’S REPORT Mayor Snow stated that we had a good year.

SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT The Mayor submitted an agreement from NYS DOT. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to enter into a shared service agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

2016 ELECTION POLLING PLACE It is time to set the place and time for the Village Election. Trustee O’Leary made a motion to hold the March 15th election at the Village Hall from noon until 9:00 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously. This year there are two Trustee seats and the Justice up for election.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee O’Leary made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Court Personnel at 6:55 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action taken in Executive Session.

Trustee Reynolds made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN Trustee Breese made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, February 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk-Treasurer