

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, June 6, 2016, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor

Reporters: Abbey Butler, The Reporter

Trustees: Teresa O'Leary

David Breese

Timothy Maguire, absent

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.

Reverend Lisa Mayes of the United Presbyterian Church led the invocation.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

CODE ENFORCEMENT Stephen Dutcher Code Enforcement Official submitted a monthly report for May 2016. Steve will be at NYS Code Training on June 21st and 22nd in Binghamton.

POLICE DEPT. Paul Olsen, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for May 2016. Chief Olsen "pinned" Brian Laauser for his promotion to Sergeant.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT Matthew Myer, Department of Public Works Foreman, submitted a monthly report for May 2016.

RURAL WATER TRAINING Trustee O'Leary made a motion to send Roger Hoyt and Jon Hoffman to a free Rural Water Training at the Walton Fire Hall on June 28th. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

SIDEWALK 119 TOWNSEND A letter was received from William Rathmell requesting sidewalk replacement. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to participate in the 50/50 program for a small section of sidewalk at 119 Townsend St. when we have a load of concrete coming. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a monthly report from May 2016.

TOWNSEND ST. BANK We will be using the Delaware County contractor for the soil nails. Trustee Reynolds made a motion authorize the clerk to issue a purchase order to GeoStabilization International, LLC in the amount of \$79,510.00 for the soil nail portion of the Townsend St. embankment project. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT The Mayor invited anyone who wanted to speak to state their name and address.

Linda Belmont, New St., would like a blanket vendor permit for 2016. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to approve a blanket vendor permit for \$150.00 for June-October 2016 for Hot Diggity Dog. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

Keith Davis and Paul Wood asked questions regarding the digester funding, grant applications and source of enough feed stock.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: Trustee O'Leary submitted names for additional hires for the summer program. After review, Trustee O'Leary to hire as submitted as seasonal employees starting on June 24. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese – The Pride Committee will be meeting again on June 23rd. They assisted with the Town's tire pick-up and the planted in the flower barrels. A mural will be painted on the building at 247 Delaware St.

MAYOR'S REPORT Mayor Snow read the list of properties with property tax over three years past due; John Holley, 34 East Brook St., Anita Leone, 5 Townsend St., Eric Mead, 53 Griswold St., Agnes Reed, 64 East St., Samantha Terry, 25 Griswold St., and Keith Werner Sr., 40 Park St. These properties have been forwarded to the attorney to start the foreclosure action.

Mayor Snow read a letter from Jennifer Davis regarding the number of lawn sales allowed each year. A property is allowed three, three day events each year. The Board felt that was sufficient and took no further action.

Mayor Snow has received a resignation letter from Trustee Maguire.

WVHRCD-01 The first application for the new grant was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to approve application No. WVHRCD-01 for \$26,105.00 from the first-time homebuyer – rehab grant funds. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

1st METHODIST CHURCH ST. FESTIVAL A letter was received from Lara Yambor. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to allow East St. to be closed from North to Townsend on June 18th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the 1st United Methodist St. festival with the stipulation that the neighbors on that block of East St. be informed by the Methodist Church organizers. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

DELAWARE COUNTY FORECLOSURE ACTION A resolution was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a pass the resolution as submitted regarding the joint sale of tax-acquired properties by the Village of Walton and Delaware County. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee O'Leary made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss 139 Prospect Ave and Police Personnel at 6:53 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action taken in Executive Session.

Trustee Breese made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

ALTERNATE CROSSING GUARD Trustee O'Leary made a motion to hire Tia Stark as a temporary per diem crossing guard at a rate of \$9.25 hour starting immediately. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

139 PROSPECT AVE. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to set the sale price for 139 Prospect Ave at \$4,900 to cover the past due tax, penalties, and expenses incurred. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN Trustee Reynolds made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk-Treasurer