

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor
Trustees: Teresa O'Leary
 Steven Sehen
 David Breese
 Allan Reynolds, absent
Clerk: Jody Brown

Reporters: Abby Butler, The Reporter
Attorney: David Merzig

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

2 NORTH ST. HEARING Stephen Dutcher, Code Enforcement Official, stated that the property of 2 North St. has become a public nuisance and letters were sent to the tenant and property owner inviting them to a hearing prior to the December Board meeting. Steve also that the property had been cited in August. Steve submitted pictures to the Board that were taken as of noon showing the condition of the property. There is supposed to be a restaurant at this location, but it is currently being used as a storage facility. Joe Henselder said he understands the citation, but his trailer wasn't working. Further concerns of the Code Enforcement is that the miniature golf course needs to have a place inside the building if the brook starts rising. This was promised as a condition to be able to have the golf course at this location. After discussion, it was agreed between the Board and Joe Henselder that the property at 2 North St. will be cleaned up meaning all loose items will be taken away from the property or placed inside the building within 10 days.

FIRSTTIME HOMEBUYERS Mary Kilmer and Lynda Hitt were present and requested two approvals. Mary mentioned that the Village was awarded \$400,000.00 for the first-time homebuyers program and that we only approved four applicants. If interested Mary can be reached at 746-1650. After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to approve the requests for WVJRC-04 in the amount of \$30,312 for down payment, closing costs and repairs and W4-80 in the amount of \$25,000.00 for down payment and repairs. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$126,503.47 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$28,750.54 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$155,073.90 was presented to the Board.
The Digester Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$1,325.00 was presented to the Board.
The Water Meter Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$0.00 was presented to the Board.
The Screw Press Capital fund Abstract in the sum of \$2,255.00 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Capital Upgrade fund Abstract in the sum of \$3,195.00 was presented to the Board.
After review, Trustee Sehen 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 October 2016.

TRAINING Annual training on Wednesday the cost has changed from \$30 to \$50. Trustee O'Leary made a motion to send Stephen Dutcher to Code Training on December 7 to the Owego Treadway Inn at a cost of \$50.00 to be split with the Town of Walton. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

POLICE DEPT. Paul Olsen, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for October 2016.

NEW COMPUTER Paul Olsen submitted a request for new computer equipment. After discussion, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to purchase a new server and an external drive with backup software from ISD at a total cost not to exceed of \$2,674.99. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT Roger Hoyt, Dept. of Public Works Superintendent, submitted a written report for October 2016.

VILLAGE ENGINEER Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a monthly report for October 2016.

CBUD AIR COMPRESSOR AD. FOR BIDS The plans and specifications are being finalized for the replacement compressors. After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to authorize the Clerk to advertise for bids for the WWTP CBUDSF Air Compressor Replacement Project which was budgeted under G8130.210. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

INFLUENT PUMP REPAIRS Currently there is no spare influent pump in inventory. After review, Trustee Breese made a motion to send one influent pump to Pump Service & Supply of Troy, Inc. for repairs at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00 from the G8130.200 Village Equipment budget line. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

CEDARWOOD Jason Craig, Cedarwood Engineering Services, submitted a monthly report for October 2016

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES After review the Board agreed to authorize purchases for the following equipment:
Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase a replacement pump for CBUD influent at a cost of \$9,500 to be purchased from Siewert Equipment from the G8130.515 (100% NYC DEP) budget line. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase a ladder to access the screw press from Grainger at a cost of \$1,979.00 from the Screw Press Capital project. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase a Hydro-Ranger 200 transmitter from Turnkey Controls at a cost of \$2,245 from G8130.404/505 (80%/20% split). Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase a photocell for the Hach final effluent turbidity meter from Hach at a cost of \$417.00 for the G8130.526 budget line (100% NYC DEP). Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese made a motion to replace the existing three CBUD influent pump disconnects for \$2,400 to be installed by Taggart Electric from the G8130.515 (100% NYC DEP) budget line. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase two stainless baskets from ROMO Machine at a cost of \$2,785 to prevent ragging of the influent pumps from the septic haulers from the G8130.200 (100% Village) budget line. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

ICE RINK Betsy Weidenbach from Walton-A Community That Cares informed the Board that the matching funds had been raised to purchase the ice skating rink liner and the dates for a tentative schedule for delivery and set-up.

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

TRUSTEE REPORTS Trustee Breese the Walton Theatre Preservation Association has the displays up and well lit. The Classic films in the spring will be Easter Parade, Rocky, Quite Man, and Love Story.

Trustee Sehen covered by Department Head.

Trustee O’Leary nothing further at this time.

MAYOR’S REPORT Mayor Snow mentioned that the Graupman’s and the 4-H groups have placed decorations and ferns in the flower barrels and Gail McNee and volunteers.

The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be Monday, January 9, 2017.

Mayor Snow also said Merry Christmas to all.

Kraft negotiations are on hold until February.

Mayor Snow read a letter from Robert Vitti asking for the penalties to be waived for late payment of his water/sewer bills for 44 West St. and 38 West St. The Trustees asked the Clerk when Mr. Vitti had inquired about his water consumption and they were told the Mr. Vitti stopped in the Village Hall on November 7th. The bills were due without penalty by November 4th. The Board was in agreement to take no action on this request.

VILLAGE CREDIT CARD The Clerk requested permission to obtain a credit card for on-line purchases. Trustee O’Leary made a motion to authorize the Clerk to apply for a credit card through Wayne Bank. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee O’Leary made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel, negotiations, and litigations at 7:18 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action taken in Executive Session.

Trustee Sehen made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:48 p.m. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

PATROLMAN BABCOCK Fred Babcock, Jr. has completed field training. Chief Olsen requested hiring Babcock as a part-time officer. Trustee O’Leary made a motion to hire Babcock at a part-time officer effect after his Academy Certifications are received at \$20.00 an hour. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

DRUG INVESTIGATIONS Chief Olsen asked for money for investigations. Trustee Sehen made a motion to approve the Chief’s request for \$500.00 to assist with drug investigations. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously

ADJOURN Trustee O’Leary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk-Treasurer