

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, April 2, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor

Reporters: Lillian Browne, *The Reporter*

Trustees: Teresa O'Leary

Steven Sehen, absent

Attorney: David Merzig, not required to attend

Joseph Cetta

Clerk: Jody Brown

Stephen Condon

Mayor Snow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reverend Robert Wilke led the invocation.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING Mayor Snow welcomed the newly elected Board Members, Joseph Cetta and Stephen Condon. Trustee Cetta was appointed to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Committee and the Theater Preservation Association. Trustee Condon was appointed to the Public Works Committee and the Flood Commission. Lara Casimano was appointed to the Planning Board for a one year term.

The Board meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall unless that falls a holiday and then the meeting will be held on the second Monday of the month. The July meeting will be held on July 9th.

PUBLIC HEARING Trustee O'Leary made a motion to open a Public Hearing to hear public opinion on a Franchise Agreement with the D.T.C. Trustee Cetta seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee O'Leary asked if Attorney Merzig had reviewed the Franchise Agreement. Mayor answered that Attorney Merzig had reviewed the agreement. A couple changes were made in regard to Town to Village/ Supervisor to Mayor.

Jason Miller, Delhi Telephone Company, stated that the agreement is for T.V. service only, but the Company can provide telephone and internet as well. They use fiber optics that are good for 20 to 30 years. Changing of your phone number is not necessary to use their telephone service. They also provide 24 hour service and will come in the middle of the night if requested.

Trustee Cetta made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Condon made a motion to approve the Franchise Agreement with the D.T.C. and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. 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 \$25,384.08 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$7,210.50 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$75,615.69 was presented to the Board.
The Small Cities Fund Abstract in the sum of \$28,125.00 was presented to the Board.
After review, Trustee Cetta made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS Matt Myer, Dept. of Public Works Foreman, submitted a monthly report for March 2018. They will be concentrating on the sewer I & I.

CODE ENFORCEMENT Stephen Dutcher, Code Enforcement Official, submitted a monthly report for March 2018. Steve mentioned that Soil and Water will cover \$245.00 of his Flood Training.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN Stephen Dutcher submitted the emergency plan to the Board. After discussion, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to adopt the Emergency Response Plan as a guidance document. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.

CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL Jason Craig, Cedarwood Environmental, submitted a monthly report for March 2018. Reminder: Sump pumps are not to be discharged into the wastewater collection system.

MAJOR MAINTENANCE PURCHASES:

ACTUATOR Jason Craig requested the purchase of a new Actuator. After discussion, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to purchase a new actuator from Turnkey Controls at the cost of \$1,229 plus shipping from the G8130.404/504 budget line 80%/20% Village NYC split. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.

SHEAVES Jason Craig requested the purchase of sheaves. After review, Trustee Condon made a motion to purchase two new sheaves for the sludge pumps from Penn Valley at a cost of \$634.00 from the G8130.415/515 budget line 80%/20% Village NYC split. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

SPARE MOTOR Jason Craig requested the purchase of a spare motor. After discussion, Trustee Condon made a motion to purchase a new spare motor for the RAS/WAS pump from Grainger at a cost of \$1,591.19 from G8130.415/515 budget line 80%/20% Village NYC split if the current motor cannot be re-built. Trustee Cetta seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUMP Jason Craig requested the purchase of a pump. After review, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to purchase a Gorman Rupp pump at the cost of \$13,842, installation included, from G8130.210 budget line which is 100% NYC expense. Trustee Cetta seconded. Carried unanimously.

POLICE DEPT. Paul Olsen, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for March 2018. Officer’s Dunphy and Babcock completed training classes. NYS Dept. of Corrections inspected the lock-up area and no deficits were found. Two drug arrests were made from two different traffic stops.

DELAWARE ENGINEERING Dave Ohman, Delaware Engineering, submitted a monthly report for March 2018. All projects on schedule.

CWC FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION APPLICATION Dave Ohman filing a revised application with CWC for feasibility studies. After discussion, Trustee Cetta made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Catskill Watershed Corp. Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation Program Application for \$25,000 to conduct feasibility studies related to flood proofing improvements for five properties; 273.7-1-40, 273.7-1-38, 273.7-7-22, 273.7-7-23, and 273.7-4-13. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.

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

TRUSTEE REPORTS	<p>Joseph Cetta stated that he and Steve Condon toured the WWTP. He commented that it is a very intricate operation down there.</p> <p>Joe also met with Jim Rice from the Walton Theater Preservation Assoc. as Jim will now be the lead of the committee. Joe “Thanked” Andrea Paternoster for her many years of service to the Theater. The WTPA will be re-keying the front door and they would like to install a key fob system at a cost of \$6,000.</p> <p>The Theater Office door was destroyed during the robbery. After discussion, Trustee Cetta made a motion to purchase a door for the Theater Office at a cost of \$500.00. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
REFINANCING USDA BONDS	<p>A Letter was submitted to the Board from USDA. After review, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to pass a resolution to refinance the USDA Bonds with a principal amount of \$436,000.00 through Wayne Bank at an interest rate of 3.75% with the same pay-off dates. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
BANNER – RELAY FOR LIFE	<p>A request was received from Beth O’Brien. After review, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to authorize the clerk to submit a permit application with NYS DOT for hanging a banner for the Relay for Life over Delaware St. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
DELAWARE COUNTY AGREEMENT	<p>A resolution was presented to the Board. After review, Trustee Condon made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Delaware County that the County of Delaware will not negotiate ore extend payment terms until the Village of Walton is made whole in regards to payment of taxes. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
DELAWARE COUNTY STIPULATION	<p>The stipulation was received from the County again this year. After review, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the property tax stipulation. Trustee Cetta seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
EXECUTIVE SESSION	<p>Trustee O’Leary made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Police Personnel at 6:43 p.m. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.</p> <p>No action taken in Executive Session.</p> <p>Trustee O’Leary made a motion to close Executive Session at 6:58 p.m. Trustee Cetta seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
PART-TIME OFFICER	<p>After discussion, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to hire Kevin Doig as a part-time, uncertified Patrolman at the rate of \$18.00 effective immediately. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
ADJOURN	<p>Trustee O’Leary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Trustee Condon seconded. Carried unanimously.</p>
NEXT MEETING	<p>The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.</p>

Jody Brown, Clerk-Treasurer