

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, January 8, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

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

Reporters:
Attorney: David Merzig, not required to attend
Clerk: Jody Brown

Mayor Snow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. No clergy was present, so Mayor Snow called for a moment of silence.

PUBLIC HEARING LOCAL FLOOD ANALYSIS Trustee Sehen made a motion to open a Public Hearing on the Local Flood Analysis. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously. Everett Farrell of the Delaware County Planning was present to answer any questions and submitted the completed SEQR. No questions were asked. Trustee Sehen made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee O'Leary made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the completed SEQR for the Local Flood Analysis. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Sehen made a motion to adopt the Local Flood Analysis as submitted. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

CODE ENFORCEMENT Stephen Dutcher, Code Enforcement Official, submitted a monthly report for December 2017.

ALL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN Steve Dutcher is currently doing the annual recertification for the Community Rating System. The Village has earned 241 points. Steve submitted the All Hazard Mitigation Plan to the Board. Trustee Sehen made a motion to accept the All Hazard Mitigation Plan as submitted. Trustee O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

MULTI-USE DISTRICT Steve Dutcher brought up the multi-use district for the south side of the Village again. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to hold a public hearing on February 5th at 6:00 p.m. to hear public opinion on a multi-use district on the south side of the Village from Sewell Place to Maple St. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

L.FA. – WEST BROOK Steve Dutcher mentioned that there are four houses by the Mead St. Bridge that were identified to be removed for flood mitigation and Steve wondered if the Board was ready to move forward. After discussion, Trustee Breese made a motion to proceed with the Local Flood Analysis process for West Brook by the Mead St. Bridge for the relocation of 4 properties. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$22,856.98 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$9,756.18 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$136,194.84 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:

CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL Jason Craig, Cedarwood Environmental, submitted a monthly report for December 2017.

ENVIRONMENTAL

CHEMICAL TRANSFER PUMP The chemical transfer pump is currently leaking. Trustee Breese made a motion to purchase a Mag Drive chemical transfer pump from USA Bluebook at the cost of \$1,328.85 from budget line G8130.515. Trustee O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

LEVEL HEAD PROJECT Trustee Reynolds made a motion to hire Turnkey Controls to install new hydro range level controls in CBUD at a cost of \$37,621.00 which was budgeted in G8130.210, 100% NYC DEP cost. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

POLICE DEPT. Paul Olsen, Chief of Police, submitted a monthly report for December 2017 and spoke about the annual report.

ANIMAL CRUELTY TRAINING Paul Olsen asked to send two officers to training. Trustee O’Leary made a motion to send Officers Dunphy and Smith to an in-service Animal Cruelty Training at the Sheriff’s Department in Delhi on January 17, 2018. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS Matt Myer, Dept. of Public Works Foreman, submitted a monthly report for December 2017.

FURNACE THEATER Matt Myer submitted a proposal for a furnace upgrade. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion to have ANC Heating and Air Conditioning complete the Balcony furnace upgrade at a cost of \$6,872.00 from the 1620.300 budget lines. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

HAMDEN HILL RIDGE RIDERS A letter was received from the Hamden Hill Ridge Riders. After review, Trustee O’Leary made a motion to allow the Hamden Hill Ridge Riders to display a kiosk at the head of the trail leaving the park and ride at Austin Lincoln Park. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

DELAWARE ENGINEERING Bill Brown, Delaware Engineering, submitted a monthly report for December 2017.

GRIT SCREW GRANT The DASNY grant agreement has been received. After review, Trustee Reynolds made a motion authorize the Mayor to sign the Grant Agreement with DASNY for \$50,000.00 for the grit screw project. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

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

Paul Wood, 3 Camp Ave., asked if the Department Head reports to be appended to the minutes. He also asked about updating the current Comprehensive Plan. Mayor Snow stated that he has been in contact with Delaware County Planning Department to source a grant for this because they cost about \$50,000.00. Paul Wood also feels the Sheffield Estates should be left a commercial property.

MAYOR’S REPORT Mayor Snow stated that NYSERDA has a grant to replace street lights with LED lighting. After review, Trustee Sehen made a motion to apply for the NYSERDA \$50,000.00 grant for energy savings, pass the Establishing Energy Benchmarking Requirements for Certain Municipal Buildings, and adopt a resolution for New York State Solar Permit Process. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.

- WALTON CEMETARY ASSOCIATION The Walton Cemetery Association has asked the Village to plow at the cemetery and a release was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Authorization Release and Waiver of Liability from the Walton Cemetery Association for the Village employees while plowing at the Walton Cemetery. Trustee Breese seconded. Carried unanimously.
- D.C. PLANNING CONTRACT The Annual Planning Contract was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion approve the 2018 Delaware County Planning Board contract, authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement and pay the \$3,500.00 invoice from A8020.400. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.
- 2016-2017 AUDIT The Draft copy of the Audit was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Consent Letter and accept the 2016-2017 Audit as submitted. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.
- ELECTION - POLLING PLACE Trustee O'Leary made a motion to hold the March 20, 2018 Village Election at the Village Hall from noon until 9:00 p.m. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.
- GRANSBURY WATER BILL Mayor Snow read a letter received from Daniel Gransbury regarding late fees for his October water/sewer bill. Mr. Gransbury is requesting the penalties be waived. After review, Trustee O'Leary made a motion to reverse the penalties for late payment for Daniel Gransbury's October water/sewer bill. Trustee Breese seconded. Trustees Reynolds, Breese, and O'Leary voted yes. Trustee Sehen voted no. Motion carried.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee O'Leary made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss litigation at 7:20 p.m. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.
- Trustee Breese made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.
- ADJOURN Trustee Breese made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Trustee Reynolds seconded. Carried unanimously.
- NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, February 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk-Treasurer