

VILLAGE OF GENESEO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 1, 2009

PRESENT:

Richard B. Hatheway, Mayor Marsha B. Merrick, Clerk/Treasurer
Sandra F. Brennan, Deputy Mayor
John Fox Jr., Trustee
Bradley R. Hill, Trustee
Thomas J. LaGrou, Trustee

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Howard Appell Ryan Colvin Barry Caplan

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

2. BARRY CAPLAN – SUMMER EVENTS:

Arts Stroll: The first event will be Friday evening June 19th from 4-7PM. The committee would like permission to block off Center Street west of the Idle Hour to Main so that musicians as well as artists can set up on the street. The Board agreed that the DPW would be able to put up barricades. Trustee Hill asked that the merchants be made aware of the closure and Barry will take care of that. There are 36 artists signed up for the event, according to Barry who appreciated the Board's support.

Everything is in order for the APOG Annual Event that will be taking place at 59 Second Street on June 26th from 7-10PM. All proceeds will be donated to the bear fountain project.

Summer Festival: The Teddy Bear Parade will take place on Saturday July 11. Notices will go out to the school children for them to bring their spare change to throw into the fountain. All proceeds will go to the fountain project. The Board was supportive of turning off the fountain and covering the drains so that the money can go directly into the basin rather than in buckets.

3. RYAN COLVIN - MRB:

Court/Wadsworth Street project: Ryan reported that the first step has been taken in the project and that is to complete the engineering report and survey base mapping. The mapping is done and the report is 99% completed. Ryan stated that Bernie Thoma would use the report to apply for a Rural Development grant and perhaps a Green Initiative grant. The community renewal grants (Small Cities) are open for application in April. The grant application to Rural Development should be submitted in a couple of weeks and notification of award should arrive sixty days after that. They could award a grant or a low interest loan for the project. The next step to take would be to begin the preliminary design phase and work on the regulatory agency applications (SEQR, DOH, Corps of Engineers). Ryan presented the Board with a breakdown of the fees associated with each of the steps. SEQR is estimated at a total cost of \$9,500 (\$2,500 from the water fund, \$2,700 from the sewer fund and \$4,300 for general fund items). The cost estimate to prepare the preliminary plans and submit them to the regulatory agencies amounts to \$90,000 (water fund \$23,000, sewer fund \$26,000 and general fund \$41,000). Ryan was asking for approval for the next steps in the engineering process tonight. Scheduling of the project will be dictated by funding. All regulatory approvals will be completed by fall. Final plans can then be completed and then bidding in the spring. Noting that even the next step of services may exceed the amount available in the budget, Mayor Hatheway has been in touch with Chuck Bastian (financial advisor) to discuss this project as well as the parks grant and the Geneseo

Building. Ryan has also spoken with him. A plan under consideration is to introduce a bond resolution that would encompass the three projects starting with BANS (Bond Anticipation Notes) and eventually proceed to permanent financing. Deputy Mayor Brennan asked about the possibility of a three pronged bond resolution and verified that it would finance the Main/Wadsworth/Court Infrastructure Project, The Highland Park in-kind purchases, and the Geneseo Building construction costs. The total project cost (Main/Wadsworth/Court) is \$2.3 million including the engineering fees, \$230,000 would be needed for the Village share of the parks project, and \$1.5 for the building totaling \$4 million dollars spread out between general/water and sewer funds.

After further discussion Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to continue on this planning process for the Main/Wadsworth/Court Street project and to take the next step of talking to bond counsel Tim McGill and financial advisor Chuck Bastian. Trustee LaGrou seconded the motion and all were in favor.

4. PARKS GRANT:

The Village has received official notice of the award in the amount of \$364,059. The award was the highest amount in the Genesee Region with 31 proposals submitted and 8 awarded. The grant is on a matching basis; \$133,000 of our \$364,059 share will be accounted for by transferring Village property that houses the DPW garage to the Park. Approximately \$13,000 was spent applying for the grant and hopefully that can go towards the matching funds also. Deputy Mayor Brennan will be the point person for the contracts and will be contacting the regional grants officer, Karen Ferguson. Former trustee Bill Lofquist was thanked for his work in applying for the grant and Bill said thanks go to Stu Brown for the grant writing.

5. LIMA ROAD:

Bid packages have been prepared for the road surfacing and the sewer line project, which will cost around \$30,000 and is not included in the stimulus package funding. The sewer line (one portion between two manholes) must be done by the third week of July according to Ryan Colvin who has been working with Supt. Frazier on the project.

6. GENESEO BUILDING:

Jon Norris will be sending a revised set of plans soon according to Mayor Hatheway who met with him last Friday. Trustee LaGrou asked if the mechanics in the building would be updated and the answer was yes. Very little would be done to compromise the upstairs and the downstairs, although the building would be gutted during construction with everyone leaving for about a year and a half. A draft report can be expected from Clark Patterson in mid-summer. The Board was happy with the progress thus far.

7. MUSEUM REQUEST:

The Board was asked to grant permission to the Livingston County Museum curators to hold a history event for GCS school students during the morning and afternoon of June 8th. During the event an 1812 re-enactor will discharge blank shots from a period era rifle. A similar event will be held on the Museum grounds on Sunday afternoon, June 14th. The Board granted permission. Chief Osganian was also alerted of the events taking place.

8. SUMMER SCHEDULES:

The Board reviewed the summer schedule. The September 7th meeting will be moved to September 14th. All other meetings at this point in time will be held as scheduled: June 15, July 6th

and 20th (Mayor Hatheway will be absent on the 20th) and August 3rd (Trustees Hill and LaGrou will be absent on the 3rd) and 17th.

9. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE:

The Livingston County Planning Board received the listing of Code changes and will discuss them at their June 11 meeting. The Board agreed to reconsider their vote on the changes after the County comments have been received.

The County District Attorney's office is continuing to review their *Traffic Diversion Program* whereby first time offenders are given a chance to attend defensive driver courses in lieu of paying a court fine. The program is a pilot program for New York State and the District Attorney hopes it will *result in safer drivers and a safer community* according to his May 14 memorandum to the local courts and law enforcement agencies.

The next meeting of the Association of Village Boards of Livingston County is scheduled for June 17 in Caledonia.

Historian Dave Parish asked the Board if he could hire an intern and offer a \$400 stipend. The Board was supportive.

A letter was received from Roelan Associates (managers of the Valley View apartments) in regard to the rental housing registration. Mayor Hatheway will respond.

10. PUBLIC SAFETY:

Four members of the fire truck committee are in Wisconsin at the Pierce factory for one of the two pre-build inspections. Two trips for inspections are built into the price of the vehicle. Members are: Chairman Parent, Steve Zabrocki, Ken Richardson and Dean O'Keefe. Delivery of the truck is expected in October or November.

There were 27 fire calls and 133 ambulance calls in May.

Recently the Division of Criminal Justice Services audited the police criminal history record information. The DCJS determined that the department was in full compliance.

Mayor Hatheway reported on a recent roundtable meeting he attended with County Administrator Nick Mazza and other County officials, SUNY President Dahl and other College officials, Sheriff York, University and NYS Police, the DA's Office and Chief Osganian. The purpose of the roundtable, promoted by President Dahl, was to discuss what could be done in the future with respect to underage drinking and responding to emergency situations that can result from that activity. The result was a very positive conversation. Procedures for the handling of incidents have been revised on the dispatch level and other protocols have been reviewed, according to Sheriff York. Recommendations from the roundtable discussion will be turned over to the Law Enforcement Council chaired by Undersheriff Herkimer.

The new police car has been ordered and should arrive in a week or two. It will then need electronics and striping.

11. PUBLIC WORKS:

Steve McTarnaghan is on vacation and Dan Quinlan will be interviewing summer helpers with Tom.

12. TRUSTEES:

Deputy Mayor Brennan: There was a Supporters of Main Street meeting today and all projects are in full swing and coming along. The committee feels they have a nice presence on Main Street for visitors and residents as well.

Trustee Fox: Councilman Tenalio is working on the geneseony.org website and has asked several departments for input.

There has been one meeting with the justices, and one small follow-up meeting with County Administrator Mazza. The County is going to explore the possibility of renovating more of the space in the former Skilled Nursing Facility. There is 5,000 square feet available that would carry with it a five-year lease. The police and courts could be together in that space, Trustee Fox reported. Merging the Town and Village courts has also been explored.

Trustee Hill: The River Access Park is now in full swing for the season with benches, picnic tables, and restrooms.

Bill Louvain, representing the County Workforce Development/Summer Employment program has kids available to do service projects throughout the community. Bill needs a location for the crew to meet in the morning and early afternoon and is requesting the use of the second floor from July 6 through August 14. The Board discussed options for the crew other than the second floor of the building, as it really is not suited well for that purpose. Trustee Hill will contact Bill with suggestions.

13. CLERK/TREASURER:

Clerk Merrick advised the Board that the fax machine in the office had been replaced with an almost identical update.

14. MEETING CLOSE:

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Fox moved and Trustee Hill seconded the motion to adjourn. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Fox-Aye, Trustee Hill-Aye, Trustee LaGrou-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk