

VILLAGE OF GENESEO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 6, 2009

PRESENT:

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

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Howard Appell

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 7:00PM. The minutes of the June 15, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved and Trustee Fox seconded the motion to adopt the minutes as presented. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Fox-Aye, Trustee Hill-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

The minutes of the June 22, 2009 special meeting on the Highland Park Project were reviewed. Trustee Fox moved and Trustee Hill seconded the motion to adopt the minutes as amended. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Fox-Aye, Trustee Hill-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

2. GENESEO BUILDING:

Information from Jon Norris has been forwarded via email to the Board members. The information consisted of a draft report documenting the building background, historic significance, existing facilities, and proposed renovations. The report is required when applying for grants. Chief Osganian circulated (via email) some concerns with the latest version building plans. These concerns will be addressed during the design phase. Trustee Fox wonders if some geo-thermal measures could be taken into consideration when renovations are in the next phase of design.

With regard to the financial aspect, the SEQR process will need to be finalized prior to considering a bond resolution. It is still ongoing with the comment period set to expire on July 24.

3. CIRCULATION STUDY:

A steering committee meeting was held on June 24. Proposals and ideas were presented for the committee to review. A great deal of interesting data has been compiled and the committee will be considering a recommendation in the near future.

The next opportunity for TIP (Transportation Improvement Project) funding is quickly approaching. If North Street was to be considered as a possibility, the grant would need to be written by July 24 and funding for the project would be three years out (2012).

4. AED PROPOSAL:

A resident, David Ruskauff, submitted a proposal to provide an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) at Highland Park. Mr. Ruskauff would like to raise funds for it and then turn it over to the Village. The Board was supportive.

5. SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM:

The program started today and will run through August 14. As of Friday there were 158 kids registered for the first week and a minimum of 132 registered for subsequent weeks. At first glance, the numbers of participants are up for this year compared to last year.

Other issues to resolve are those with out of district children and those of relatives of district residents (grandchildren etc). The Board felt that children in the second instance could be accommodated; those in the first instance could also be accommodated, but with a fee for the out of district children. Trustee Fox will determine a cost per child (based on program calculations made previously) for the out of district children and communicate that to the Board members before he discusses it with the YMCA reps.

6. HIGHLAND PARK:

Deputy Mayor Brennan received a letter from OPRHP Rep. Karen Ferguson outlining steps that are necessary to proceed with the contract for the project (which was also enclosed). She will review the documents and ready them for signature by the Mayor.

With regard to the appraisals, Dick Zarajczyk had some questions about the process and Sandy plans to respond to him. Mr Zarajczyk informed he would stand by his quote and conform to the aspects of the appraisals as outlined in the parks manual. If he determines that he is unable to conform to the requirements, then he will have to forfeit his quote. He will not be allowed to re-bid but rather must decide whether or not he can do the work necessary for the price he quoted.

Stu Brown's office called to see whether or not the Village wanted assistance with the parks grant administration. Deputy Mayor Brennan is in favor of that approach, as the grant is already taking up a lot of time. The Mayor will follow up.

7. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE:

Jeff Hammond, coach for the Geneseo Youth Softball program, sent a letter thanking the Board for allowing the program to be covered (insurance-wise) under Geneseo Youth Recreation. The program (for girls in 4th, 5th, and 6th grades) has grown from 13 participants in 2008 to 26 this year. In the letter Jeff listed all the participants and the budget. The report was very nicely done and could serve as a model for other programs under the youth recreation umbrella.

Notification was received late in June from the justices saying that they would like to hire former employee Pat Terho as assistant court clerk. Currently staff in the court office consists of Court Clerk Paula Pieper (retiring in September) and assistant clerk Jane Dulmage. Discussion followed with regard to staffing issues and court relocation during building renovation.

With regard to the summer workers (working through the County Office of Workforce Development) specific projects are still to be determined.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Chief Osganian reports that the department won second place (in the category of 9-16 sworn officers) in the National Law Enforcement Challenge. They are entitled to a free ticket to the annual conference in Denver Colorado in October.

Other items in Chief's June report were highlighted by Trustee Hill.

The Fire Department responded to 18 fire calls and 111 ambulance calls last month. Pumper 315 had a serious rear suspension problem and was out of service for a number of days but is now back in operation.

This weekend the FD will be on standby at the Air Show with quite a few volunteers assigned to the event.

Trustee Fox moved to approve appointment of four new members: Amy Phelps, Gary Ciuffetelli, Douglas Martin, and Kellie Hill and to accept one resignation: Jonathan Berardi. Deputy Mayor Brennan seconded the motion and all were in favor.

9. PUBLIC WORKS:

Highlights from Supt Frazier's DPW report:

- The new municipal lot driveway (off Center Street) will be open for the Summer Festival weekend. The driveway has been paved and light poles have been installed. Highland Park fencing has been used to line the driveway.
- The temporary fence has been removed from Highland Park and the T-ball backstop.
- The perimeter sewer right-of-way mowing has been completed and will be done again in late August.
- Street patching has been completed and sealing will come next on half of Second Street, and all of Oak, Prospect, Livingston, Stuyvesant Manor and Northview Drive.
- Lima Road sewer line replacement bids are due on July 9th. Work will start shortly thereafter and will take about a week.
- Crosswalk painting will start today along with parking stall lines.
- Festival accommodations will be placed (dumpster, barricades, etc.).

The Board reviewed a price quote for parking lot signs that Jason obtained.

10. TRUSTEES:

Deputy Mayor Brennan: reported on a parks grant workshop to be held in East Bethany on July 30. She plans to attend.

The Board offered great thanks to the arts stroll committee for a very successful event on June 19th. It was noted that the Main Street merchants said it was better than the events held in the fall, which is unusual.

11. CLERK/TREASURER:

The Board granted permission to the Kiwanis Club to hold the Antique Car Show in the Village Park on Sunday, July 12.

Clerk Merrick hopes to have the end-of-year books closed by the next meeting.

The Board granted permission to the Genesee Valley Conservancy to hold the Oak Tree half-marathon on Labor Day weekend. Chief Osganian has been apprised and has no problem with the event.

12. 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, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk