

VILLAGE OF GENESEO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 01, 2013

PRESENT:

Richard B. Hatheway, Mayor

Debra Lund, Secretary Pro Tem

Sandra F. Brennan, Deputy Mayor

Margaret Duff, Trustee

Benjamin W. Gajewski, Trustee

Robert Wilcox, Trustee

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 5:00 PM. The minutes of the June 17, 2013 regular meeting were reviewed. Trustee Gajewski moved to approve the minutes with a second from Deputy Mayor Brennan. The vote was as follows: Mayor Hatheway – Aye, Deputy Mayor Brennan – Aye, Trustee Duff – Aye, Trustee Gajewski – Aye, and Trustee Wilcox – Aye. The motion passed.

2. MAIN STREET GRANT:

Trustee Gajewski reported he had heard from Louise Wadsworth and that some Main Street Grant projects were physically finished with only paperwork to be completed. “The Big Tree Inn” had not started their project yet but had only recently received notice of their grant award. “Touch of Grace” was the last to get underway but things appear to be moving along well. Mayor Hatheway inquired if Mr. Bucci had received money for his building renovations and Trustee Gajewski said he had; only paperwork was left to be done. Mayor Hatheway noted it was impressive to see such a huge difference in the structure for the small amount of funding received. Trustee Wilcox commented the projects all looked nice.

3. MAIN STREET LIGHTING & STREET SCAPING:

Trustee Brennan said she has heard good things about the new light poles on Main Street. DPW Superintendent Jason Frazier has ordered additional lamp posts as more are needed than with the older style and has new bases ordered as well. The bases should be in the first week in August. Flower baskets, brackets and flags holders are being installed. DPW ran out of flag brackets and more were ordered; these came with American Flags. The DPW crew is about half done with the installation process. Jason ordered black benches, two with and two without backs; two planters and two trash receptacles. Trustee Wilcox suggested one of the trash receptacles be placed in front of “Muddy Waters”. Jason is looking into the placement of the Main Street sidewalk “bump-outs” and the best location for them.

Trustee Brennan has been working with Roseanne Mayo on flags/banners for the new light posts. The proposed design would include the new Tourism Committee’s college, town and

village logo. She asked the Board's opinion of flag colors – it was decided red would look best in all seasons and use of that logo would be fine.

4.GENESEO BUILDING UPDATE:

Jon Norris has scheduled a meeting to explain the upcoming renovations on July 15th at 10:00 A.M. with the building staff, contractors and engineers. Mayor Hatheway will attend as the Board representative. The masonry work is projected to begin the third week in July and window installation the last week in August, with the whole project to be wrapped up near the end of September and the punch list finished by mid October. Discussion regarding the front doors' paint color followed. The consensus was to go with either green or red, to honor the building's prior use as the Fire Hall before becoming municipal offices.

5.GENESEO SUMMER FESTIVAL:

Mayor Hatheway stated the Board had received a letter from the Geneseo Rotary asking approval to hold the Geneseo Summer Festival at the Village Park from Friday, July 12th - Sunday, July 14th and to display a banner across Main Street advertising the event, July 01st- July 15th. The Board was in favor as long as the proper paperwork and insurance were provided. Secretary Pro Tem Debby Lund will send a letter to Chair Tim Brinduse. It was noted Mr. Brinduse had taken over the responsibility as grounds supervisor because long standing Chair Dick Gallivan had stepped down.

6.GENESEO TOURISM COMMITTEE:

A letter was received from Arleen Somerville seeking permission to use the Village Park on August 17th, from 1:00 P.M. – 4:45 P.M. for a joint venture between the College and the Tourism Committee. It is the final portion of the Resident Assistants Visit to Main Street. The RAs involved will visit the Main Street and Center Street businesses to learn about the services and products available. As in the past two years, the program anticipates wrapping-up in the Park with restaurant tastings. The Board was in favor and granted approval.

7.FARMER'S MARKET:

Trustee Wilcox noted there will not be a Farmer's Market this week due to the July 4th holiday but will resume again next week. The turn-out was not particularly good last week but that was expected as the weather did not cooperate. Mayor Hatheway had a Democrat & Chronicle clipping featuring the Geneseo Farmer's Market. It was enjoyed by all. Trustee Wilcox said he had gotten a very nice compliment from Spring Morrow for the positive meeting between the Village Board and the downtown merchants.

8.VILLAGE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:

The meeting schedule was established as follows: next meeting on July 15th will include payment of bills; August 5th, August 19th, September 9th (to allow for Labor Day), September

23rd and then back to the regular schedule of 1st and 3rd Monday of the month in October: October 7th & 21st.

9.PUBLIC SAFETY:

Trustee Brennan reported for Chief Eric Osganian that a bicycle education event is scheduled for later this month. The Police Department has forwarded a couple of people to the Court system.

10.FIRE SAFETY:

Trustee Wilcox presented a list of new and resigning members on behalf of Chief Andrew Chanler. Trustee Wilcox moved the Board accept as new members: Margaret Wayne, Randy Cheung, Grace Johnson, Maxwell McDermott, and Raul Santiago; and to accept the resignation of: Caroline Schwartz, Will Rutan, Jared Deck, Brandon Witenzen, Kathleen Houston (Senior Exempt), Patsy Pangia (Senior Exempt) and Deb Tenalio (Senior Exempt). Trustee Brennan seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Mayor Hatheway – Aye, Deputy Mayor Brennan – Aye, Trustee Duff – Aye, Trustee Gajewski – Aye, and Trustee Wilcox – Aye. The motion carried.

11.PUBLIC WORKS:

Trustee Gajewski reported for Water-Sewer Plant Operator Stephen McTarnaghan regarding sludge bed issues and the department is working on lawn restoration and meter reading.

12. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

Mayor Hatheway reported he has agreed to conduct tours once again for the parents of incoming freshmen. Five such sessions have been scheduled.

13.TRUSTEES:

Trustee Brennan has been in contact with Angela Ellis, County Planning regarding the TEP Funds Program. They are discussing combining the “wall” walk with another project with regard to applying for funding through grant money. The funding source for this period is not supporting wall projects. The Transportation League might have monies for a walk along Route 20A; this would allow installation of a sidewalk on the south side of the highway out to the Wegman’s Plaza. She and Angela are looking into the feasibility of obtaining funds through the Transportation Connectivity Project if they can connect the walkway to another project. Angela was looking into rules governing funds from the Scenic Highways and Byways and would check with Steve Beauvais regarding these. Trustee Wilcox suggested a complete circumferential path around the Village would be nice. Sandy noted she and Angela are planning a meeting to discuss options. Angela recommended David Woods be asked to attend as he is on both Town and Village Planning Boards. Bob indicated he would be willing to attend.

Trustee Gajewski reported on the new street signs funded by Streetscape monies and APOG. All have not been installed yet but he has heard positive feedback. The black satin poles look very nice. After the Village declares them surplus, APOG will sell the current signs (except for South Street signs that belong to NYS DOT) at the Festival booth on a first come, first serve basis for \$50.00 each. The income will be applied to cover the gap in the cost of the signs. If there is money beyond the cost of the new signs, the extra money will be earmarked for other street scape improvements. Ben will contact Jason and ask what other items might be a priority. Mayor Hatheway suggested College Students or other civic groups might be willing to paint other sign posts in the same satin black used on the new street signs. Paint is inexpensive and it would give the Village a more uniform look.

Mayor Hatheway asked if APOG had worked on the wall last Saturday and Ben replied the work went forward even with the poor weather.

Trustee Wilcox reported the Healthy College Community Coalition is off for the summer. The Tourism Committee is preparing stacks of information for the wedding industry. Packets of events and things to do in the area have been requested. Bags are being packed for the Air Show “RVers” and for the pilots and their families. The updated Main Street rack cards will be here in about two weeks. The group is pleased with the low prices and quick turn around time. They only ordered 2,000 cards rather than ordering 5,000 at a time as used to be the case. This will allow the committee to update the new businesses for the fall printing. Trustee Brennan wondered if the Welcome Center was considered to be under the Tourism “wing”. Mayor Hatheway noted the Welcome Center is organizing the Teddy Bear Parade this year. Mary Kay Nitsche is in charge with Anita Whitehead very much involved. The order of march will be the bands first, children and then the antique cars.

14. MEETING CLOSE:

Trustee Brennan moved to close the meeting at 6:08 P.M. with a second by Trustee Gajewski. The vote was as follows: Mayor Hatheway – Aye, Deputy Mayor Brennan – Aye, Trustee Duff – Aye, Trustee Gajewski – Aye, and Trustee Wilcox – Aye. The motion carried and the meeting closed.

Debra Lund, Secretary Pro Tem