

VILLAGE OF GENESEO  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 6, 2015

PRESENT:

Richard B. Hatheway, Mayor  
Sandra F. Brennan, Deputy Mayor  
Margaret Duff, Trustee  
Benjamin Gajewski, Trustee  
Bob Wilcox, Trustee

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk/Treasurer

ALSO PRESENT:

David Woods            Mary Kay Yanik            Angel Berry            Spring Morrow  
David Matthews

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 5:00PM. The minutes of the March 23, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to approve the minutes as presented with second from Trustee Gajewski. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Gajewski-Aye, Trustee Wilcox-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

2. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS:

A. Mayor Hatheway re-appointed Trustee Brennan as Deputy Mayor; committee assignments: Deputy Mayor Brennan liaison to the Police Department; Trustee Wilcox liaison to the water/wastewater department and to the Healthy Campus Community Coalition; Trustee Duff liaison to the DPW-streets; Trustee Gajewski liaison to the Fire Department. The committee assignments are subject to change.

B. Mayor Hatheway submitted the name of Dori Farthing to be re-appointed to the Planning Board for a five-year term expiring in 2020. Trustee Gajewski so moved, Trustee Wilcox seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Mayor Hatheway submitted the name of Marlene Hamilton to be re-appointed for another five-year term (expiring in 2020) on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Wilcox moved approval and Trustee Duff seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

D. Mayor Hatheway suggested adopting Robert's Rules of Order to conduct Village Board meetings. Deputy Mayor Brennan so moved with second from Trustee Duff and the vote was unanimously in favor.

E. Mayor Hatheway suggested holding official Village Board meetings on the first and third Monday of each month at 5:00PM. Trustee Duff so moved with second from Trustee Gajewski and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hatheway suggested scheduling the next Village organizational meeting on Monday, April 4, 2016. Trustee Duff so moved with second from Trustee Gajewski. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Mayor Hatheway asked the Board to consider continuing with *Livingston County News* as the official newspaper. Trustee Wilcox so moved with second from Trustee Duff and the motion carried unanimously.

G. Mayor Hatheway suggested that the standard workday for Village employees would be eight hours, for retirement reporting purposes. Deputy Mayor Brennan so moved with second from Trustee Gajewski. The motion carried unanimously.

H. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved the following regarding advance payment of claims, per Village Law #5-524(6): WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, postage, freight and express charges, seminar fees, and any other time sensitive items and,

WHEREAS, all such claims shall be presented at the next regular Board meeting for audit, and

WHEREAS, the claimant and officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees authorizes payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, postage, freight and express charges, seminar fees, and any other time sensitive items, and all such claims shall be presented at the next regular meeting for audit and the claimant and officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Trustee Gajewski seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

I. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved and Trustee Gajewski seconded the motion to adopt the following pertaining to mileage reimbursement: WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined to pay a fixed rate for mileage as reimbursement to officers and employees of the Village who use their personal vehicles while performing official duties on behalf of the Village: NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees shall approve reimbursement to such officers and employees at the Federal rate according to IRS ruling (currently 57.5 cents/mile).

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The motion passed unanimously.

J. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to designate the following banks as depositories for the Village: Key Bank N.A., Community Bank N.A., Five Star Bank, Tompkins Bank of Castile and Steuben Trust Company. Trustee Duff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

K. Trustee Wilcox moved and Deputy Mayor Brennan seconded the motion to designate Frontier Telephone of Rochester, Inc. as provider of exclusive pay telephone service including providing for a long distance carrier for pay phone service in the Village (pay phones located at 81 & 110 Main Street and 19 Highland Road). The motion passed unanimously.

L. Trustee Gajewski moved that the expenses of Village administration, Village Clerk's office and one MEO/Mechanic position in the DPW be allocated by the formula 1/3 from the General Fund; 1/3 from the Water Fund; and 1/3 from the Sewer Fund. Deputy Mayor Brennan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

M. Trustee Gajewski moved and Trustee Wilcox seconded that the Village Street Superintendent's salary shall be allocated by the formula 60% from the General Fund; 20% from the Water Fund; and 20% from the Sewer Fund. The motion passed.

The Board reviewed the procurement and investment policies and concluded the organizational portion of the meeting.

### 3. ANGEL BERRY – MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION EVENTS:

Angel appeared before the Board on behalf of the Merchants Association asking permission to decorate the fountain for the May Day (May 1) Wine Stroll. The decorations will be similar to those of last year and will be removed from the fountain after the event. Following discussion, Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to grant the Merchants permission to decorate the fountain for the May Day event. Trustee Duff seconded the motion and all were in favor. Board members appreciated the list of events distributed by Angel prior to the meeting.

A second request would be to close Center and Bank Streets for the Autumnfest scheduled for September 26. The pumpkin roll will take place on Bank Street as in the past. Following discussion, Trustee Wilcox moved approval of the request. Trustee Duff seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Angel also asked about when paving might take place in the municipal parking lot. Mayor Hatheway responded that major work needs to be done before the lot can be paved including drainage. Some patching may take place as was done last year, but the major project is not scheduled in the upcoming budget year.

### 4. MAIN STREET PROJECT:

Bond Resolution: After meeting with municipal finance advisor Chuck Bastian, a bond resolution for the project has been drafted by Bond Counsel Tim McGill. Mayor Hatheway emailed a summary of the resolution to the Board members prior to the meeting. The project financing will draw from all three funds, general, water and sewer. MRB's Bill Davis has provided a breakdown of expenses anticipated from each segment of the project. One problem is that these are estimates only, and could change depending on the bids that are received on April 21. The bottom line is a project that may cost approximately \$1.5 million and a bond resolution (in order to borrow funds) has been drafted in the amount of \$1,183,000. Most definitely there is some flexibility built into the resolution, Mayor Hatheway continued, and that is needed because the soil mitigation costs are somewhat unknown. The payback carries a five year term on this borrowing, unlike others undertaken by the Village. Further discussion followed and review of the resolution. The plan is to adopt the resolution tonight, publish it in the newspaper for 20 days and then have a special meeting on April 30 to award the contracts and start the project. The SEQR process has been completed and that is a good thing in terms of timeframe. Deputy Mayor Sandra F. Brennan presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted; it was seconded by Trustee Bob Wilcox:

**BOND RESOLUTION DATED APRIL 6, 2015 OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF GENESEO, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION SERIAL BONDS TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE VILLAGE, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN CONTEMPLATION THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

WHEREAS, the Village, acting as lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on January 26, 2015, has duly issued a negative declaration with respect to the type I action and has determined that the implementation of the action as proposed will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts; now therefor, be it

RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF GENESEO, NEW YORK (hereinafter referred to as the "Village"), by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all of the members of such Board, as follows:

Section 1. The Village of Geneseo shall undertake the construction of road, water and sewer improvements, to include digging up Main Street, replacing water mains and some sewer lines, paving, curbs and sidewalks, and the elimination of soil contamination and buried tanks, materials and incidental improvements that may be required in connection therewith for such construction and Village use (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"), and general obligation serial bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,183,000 and bond anticipation notes in anticipation thereof (and renewals thereof) of the Village are hereby authorized to be issued to finance said purpose and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of said purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and costs of the financing thereof, is estimated to be (a) \$600,000 for such road improvements, (b) \$745,000 for such water improvements, and (c) \$155,000 for such sewer improvements, for a total estimated aggregate maximum cost of \$1,500,000. The plan for financing of said purpose is to provide (i) for the road improvements: \$27,000 from the Streets & Storm Drains Reserve and up to \$573,000 by issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes as herein authorized, to be offset and reduced dollar for dollar by the amount by the amount of grants received, presently estimated to be up to \$170,000 from CHIPS (Consolidated Highway Improvement Project funds); (ii) for the water improvements: \$125,000 from the Water Line Reserve, \$10,000 from Water Operating Funds, and up to \$610,000 by issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes as herein authorized, and (iii) for the sewer improvements: \$100,000 from the Sewer Line Reserve, and \$55,000 from the Sewer Operating Fund.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) said purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivisions 1, 4, 20 and 89 of Paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is hereby restricted to five (5) years, (b) the proposed maximum maturity of said bonds authorized by this resolution will not be in excess of five years, (c) current funds required to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes herein authorized, pursuant to Section 107.00 of the Local Finance Law, to the extent applicable, if any, will be provided, (d) the notes herein authorized are issued in anticipation of bonds for an assessable improvement, and (e) there are presently no outstanding bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds.

Section 4. The bonds and notes authorized by this resolution shall contain the recital of validity prescribed in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and such bonds and notes shall be general obligations of the Village and all the taxable real property in the Village is subject to the levy of *ad valorem* taxes to pay the principal thereof, and interest thereon, without limitation as to rate or amount, subject to statutory limitations, if any.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and declared that the Village reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund as may be utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the obligations authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of the issuance of such obligations. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 6. The power to further authorize the sale, issuance and delivery of said bonds and notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said bonds and notes, including, without limitation, the consolidation with other issues, the determination to issue bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, all contracts for, and determinations with respect to, credit or liquidity enhancements, if any, and to sell and deliver said bonds and notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the provisions of the Local Finance Law, is hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the Village's chief fiscal officer. The Village Treasurer and the Village Clerk or Deputy Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature and attest any bonds and notes issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such bonds and notes the corporate seal of the Village of Geneseo.

Section 7. The faith and credit of the Village of Geneseo, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes as the same respectively become due and payable. With respect to the water and sewer improvements, such bonds and notes shall be payable from a levy on real property benefitted or user charges therefor, in the manner provided by law, but if not paid from such source, all the taxable real property within said Village shall be subject to the levy of an *ad valorem* tax, without limitation as to rate or amount, subject to applicable statutory limitations, if any, sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds and notes. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 8. This resolution, or a summary hereof, shall be published in full by the Village Clerk of the Village of Geneseo together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the Village, in the manner prescribed by law. The validity of said bonds and bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said serial bonds, may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Village is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with, at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 9. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Gajewski-Aye, Trustee Wilcox-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye. The resolution was adopted.

- Engineering proposal: MRB has determined that there has been and will be extra engineering necessary due to the mitigation problem in the Main Street area. Labella Associates has completed the preliminary investigation associated with the fuel tank(s) and the contaminated soils in the surrounding area. They have assisted MRB in identifying the scope of mitigation work necessary to proceed with the Main Street Project. MRB has discussed this scope with Labella who will serve as the Environmental sub-consultant for design and construction work to be included under the General Construction contract. The proposal is for the added engineering and construction phase services that are necessary to include this work in the contract documents. For the additional design engineering services, the proposal amounts to \$13,490 and for the additional construction observation services, the proposal amounts to \$12,650 for a total of \$26,000. Mayor Hatheway further explained that MRB is attempting to write into the contract all of the contingencies they are thinking of and write it in such a way that change orders along the way might not be necessary. Following discussion, Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to approve the proposal for additional engineering/design/construction phase services prepared by MRB Group at a cost not to exceed \$26,000. Trustee Duff seconded the motion and all were in favor.

#### 5. PARK RESERVATIONS-ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION PERMIT:

With regard to alcohol sales in the Park, Mayor Hatheway and Deputy Mayor Brennan discussed the topic, acknowledging there has been some hesitation by some Board members. They inquired how the Board would feel about the possibility of adopting the proposed *Village of Geneseo, Park Reservations: Alcohol Sales and Consumption Requirements* for a six-month period of time. At the end of that period, obtain feedback from folks and then decide whether or not to continue. That seemed to us to be palatable, Mayor Hatheway stated. Deputy Mayor Brennan added that it doesn't answer all of the questions posed by folks reluctant to allow the sales at all, but it does give an answer right now and allows Rotary and other groups to plan their upcoming summer events. It is a compromise rather than setting it forever.

Trustee Duff said that her position hasn't changed. She has talked to folks about it and they don't feel it is necessary. She feels if this is allowed, it's hard to go back and disallow it. She has heard from the different departments within the Village (Police and DPW) who are not happy with the idea as alcohol contributes to most of their problems. Rick's (Vattimo) plan was ideal, Trustee Duff added, but nevertheless, the message being sent to the kids is that "this is okay". There are six establishments on Main Street that sell alcohol and plenty of opportunity to purchase and consume it there.

Even though Trustee Wilcox said that the sale of alcohol in the Park has nothing to do with the proposed Social Host legislation, Deputy Mayor Brennan said the clear connection between social host and this is that this has been identified as a tool to get a handle on underage drinking but at the same time we are going to allow alcohol consumption in the park – it seems to present a bit of a dilemma in some minds. Trustee Wilcox said it pre-empts social host.

Mary Kay Yanik stated that Rotary sees the alcohol sales as promoting agri-business and teaching responsible drinking. Naples has had no problem with similar practices at their festival.

Trustee Gajewski moved to adopt *Alcohol Sales and Consumption Requirements* for a period of April 6, 2015 through October 15<sup>th</sup> in the Village Park. Trustee Wilcox seconded the motion. Thus far, the permit will be used for two events, the Rotary Summer Festival and the APOG Chicken Wing Fest. Following October 15<sup>th</sup>

it will expire, requiring further Board action to allow it in the future. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Gajewski-Aye, Trustee Wilcox-Aye, Mayor Hatheway-Aye, and Trustee Duff-Nay. Mary Kay stated that Rotary will be happy to contribute to a debriefing after the Rotary Summer Festival.

Bank Street: The Planning Board recommended that the Village Board view the plan to allow a dining area on the sidewalk favorably, David Woods began. One of the comments or recommendations was to make sure of ADA compliancy. Dave Matthews drew up a revised plan that included making the low terrace ADA compliant. In the larger view of allowing this use, David Woods continued, included a recommendation to continue to work with SUNY Geneseo to make the entire area more pedestrian friendly and to include planters and landscaping. An opinion expressed by Planning Board members was that this fits on Bank Street but might not fit on Main Street. Future things that may come up under this contextual component are requests from other business owners. The Planning Board members liked the different thrust the business was taking on Bank Street, but there was a concern that there is not a reversion to the previous use of the establishment. In that vein, perhaps a one year renewable component could be added. Otherwise, overhead power lines put underground would be a great improvement in that area as well. In a nutshell, David concluded, the Planning Board liked the notion of encouraging this type of outdoor use. Encouraging people to be out on the sidewalk is always a good idea.

Deputy Mayor Brennan wondered if there was any discussion during the planning of this proposal about whether to consider placing the dining area not on the sidewalk but rather on the area behind the building adjacent to the sidewalk. David Woods said that was discussed but it might be more difficult. The placement might interfere with the fire lane through to the back of the buildings along Main, David Matthews said. Deputy Mayor Brennan expressed concern that this could be considered “spot zoning” for this particular business owner. Whereas if the dining area was placed to the rear of the building, on the building owner’s property, that would not be a consideration. David Woods said that the Village Attorney would need to build in the lease between the Village and the business owner items like future non use, reversion rights, maintenance, etc. The Planning Board did not get into these issues. Trustee Gajewski added that the sidewalk improvements are for whoever owns the business. The improvements would be appropriate for pedestrian amenities as well and is not limited to a restaurant use. The improved area would be for a seasonal use under a sidewalk permit, Dave Matthews stated. The permit can be revoked during the season or refused for the next season. Discussion continued about the design and placement of the designated area, maintenance, etc. Deputy Mayor Brennan verified that the Village is not going to undertake any of the construction.

Trustee Gajewski moved that the applicant, the business owner of the Vital Spot at 3 Bank Street, be allowed to modify the sidewalk to allow for flat platforms on the sidewalks. The Village Planning Board has approved the design for the Village. Trustee Wilcox seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Trustee Duff wondered if this use was going to be part of the Code changes that were forthcoming. Trustee Gajewski explained that it is a unique location as that it is sloped and other business owners in the Main Street area have a flat sidewalk. The area will remain in public ownership when it is not used for this purpose. Deputy Mayor Brennan and Trustee Duff stated that they are not ready to vote on this today. Discussion followed.

A request was made to *call the question*. Trustee Gajewski stated that he would add one modification to the motion that it be subject to Attorney Reynolds working out the lease or whatever agreement there needs to be between the business owner and the Village and to work out the liability issue during the construction phase. Trustee Duff said liability in general, not just during construction. Deputy Mayor Brennan said she would like to hear Attorney Reynold’s review of the concept of using public space in a private manner basically not just during construction.

The first motion was amended to include the phrase *subject to Attorney Reynold's review* by Trustee Gajewski and second by Trustee Wilcox. The vote on the amendment was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Gajewski- Nay, Trustee Wilcox-Nay and Mayor Hatheway-Nay. The motion was defeated. Trustee Gajewski moved that the applicant, the business owner of the Vital Spot at 3 Bank Street, be allowed to modify the sidewalk to allow for flat platforms as presented, with Attorney Reynolds drafting the necessary documents to cover Village liability during construction. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Nay, Trustee Duff-Nay, Trustee Gajewski-Aye, Trustee Wilcox-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye. The motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Brennan wondered about a public hearing and David Woods said there is no reason to do that. Trustee Gajewski wants a clear path so that work can begin on this request that was made last year. Trustee Wilcox stated that he feels the Village Board has an obligation to act in a reasonable period of time. No public money, time or equipment shall be used on this project, Trustee Gajewski reiterated.

#### 6. WADSWORTH STREET REQUEST:

Request was received from Gretchen Goble to hold a block party on April 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6PM on Wadsworth Street. The event would be for Geneseo Greek Week and include food, games, etc. Gretchen said that she was in contact with a Wadsworth Street resident who will be included in the planning. Mayor Hatheway received the request and wrote to SUNY Asst. Dean of Students for Fraternal Life Wendi Kinney. Following discussion, the Board consensus was to approve the request contingent upon Chief Osganian approving the plans and insure that the organizers are involving the Wadsworth Street residents and even asking for evidence of community involvement. Perhaps Wendi Kinney can attend as well so that the event does not get out of hand. Trustee Duff made the motion to approve the request by Gretchen Goble to hold a block party on Wadsworth Street on April 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6PM contingent upon approval of the plans by Chief Osganian and SUNY Asst. Dean Kinney. Trustee Wilcox seconded the motion and all were in favor.

#### 7. POC and other REQUESTS:

The Parish Outreach Center of the Geneseo United Methodist Church request permission to hold their annual fundraising walk on June 6. The walkers will use the sidewalks and begin and end walking at the Presbyterian Church on Center Street. The walk is scheduled to be completed by 11AM. The Board was supportive.

A request came in today from the organizers of this year's Relay for Life, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. To spread awareness for the event, students would like to decorate the campus and the Village (esp. the Fountain) purple. The decorations will be taken down next Monday following the event. The Board was supportive.

The Garden Club would like permission to use the log cabin in the Park on Monday mornings from 8:30AM until noon and on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8PM for making their dried flower arrangements. This use would take place after the festival in July. The Board was supportive.

#### 8. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

- State Budget: notification received from NYCOM indicates that there is no more money available for property tax relief in the budget. This is indicative of the State's continued failure to increase State Aid to local governments. The Village amount currently budgeted is \$80,000.

- Tax Freeze forms: County Administrator Ian Coyle provided a wealth of materials on the State Tax Freeze process. Mayor Hatheway is in the process of reviewing the information.
- EFC refinancing: Notification has been received from Environmental Facilities Corporation that they are in the process of applying for refinancing of several series of debt issued for infrastructure and facility projects. The Village's Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements were financed through a Series 2005A *Clean Water State Revolving Fund* loan. EFC will embark on this refinancing on behalf of the Village unless there is an objection. A similar process took place with the EFC debt used to finance the Water Treatment Plant Improvements. EFC was able to obtain lower interest costs and passed them on to the Village.

## 9. MEETINGS:

- Past
  - ✓ Service Awards: March 24: Mayor Hatheway attended the SUNY Annual Service and Volunteer Awards dinner and commented that it is amazing what is contributed by the volunteers involved in many different areas of service. Recognized along with the student award winners were Kaaren Smith, Director of the County Office for the Aging (Community Partner of the Year Award) and Gary Towsley for his fundraising efforts, many behind the scenes.
  - ✓ Sustainability: March 31: Mayor Hatheway met with folks from EPA who wanted to chat with a representative from Geneseo about implementing ideas developed by scientists as part of a research and development group within the Environmental Protection Agency.
  - ✓ Chamber of Commerce: April 1: Representatives from the Cortland Standard News met with members of the community and the Chamber of Commerce to talk about struggles faced by both college communities and what it takes to have a successful, vibrant downtown economy amidst the challenges of big box stores, internet sales and an economic downturn. Mayor Hatheway and other members of the Board that attended the discussion held at the Big Tree Inn said that it was a good conversation. Trustee Gajewski suggested that it might be good for community members from Geneseo to do that and visit another similar community the way Cortland did. Deputy Mayor Brennan mentioned that the Cortland folks were interested in activities Geneseo does with the incoming students including the RA and OA events and the tours given by Mayor Hatheway during orientation.
- Upcoming
  - Association of Villages: April 15 in Leicester.
  - NYCOM is holding a workshop for new officials on April 17 at the Valley Oak Event Center.
  - Special Board Meeting: Scheduled for April 30 at 5PM for the Main Street Project.
  - Houghton: Southern Tier West annual conference is scheduled for May 6.
  - Pittsford: Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council semi-annual conference is planned for May 14.
  - National Law Day: The Youth Court that holds meetings in the Geneseo Building throughout the year has scheduled their closing event including a mock court for April 30<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6PM.
  - Presidential Inauguration: Incoming SUNY President Denise Battles will be inaugurated on October 22.

- County: There will be a public hearing at 1:30PM this Wednesday to discuss a property sale to Greg O’Connell. The transaction will actually be a “land-swap” on the part of the County in order that the connecting road between Volunteer and Millennium can be constructed.
- Merchants Association: Meetings are ongoing and Board representation is welcomed.

10. PUBLIC SAFETY:

Deputy Mayor Brennan reported that Chief Osganian would like to hire a new part-time police officer, Zachary J.T. Hinkson. Zachary put himself through the police academy with no support from local agencies and graduated last month. He currently works in the Livingston County Jail Division and for the Village of Caledonia. Deputy Mayor Brennan added that she supports his coming to work for the Village Police Department and moved approval of his hire. Trustee Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Gajewski-Aye, Trustee Wilcox-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

Trustee Wilcox reported that the Fire Department will hold their elections tomorrow evening and there will be a new chief elected at that time.

11. PUBLIC WORKS:

Trustee Duff reported the following items for Supt. Frazier:

1. Rubbish day today, usually takes two day to get around the Village. We will have a special May 4<sup>th</sup> rubbish day also.
2. Crews have been getting equipment ready for the auction in May and Trustee Duff moved to declare the following items surplus to Village needs:
  - 2002 Corn Pro 18’ Trailer
  - 2014 Bobcat S570 Skid Steer
  - 2004 International 7300 Dump Truck
  - 2008 Chevy 2500HD Pick up with Plow
  - 2005 Reznor Waste Oil 140 Furnace

Trustee Gajewski seconded the motion and all were in favor.

3. Crew has serviced the Street Sweeper and it’s now in operation in the Village.
4. We installed some various security items in the basement for the Police.
5. Crew reinstalled the light pole on Main/Park Street corner that was damaged this winter.
6. We have received an Extreme Winter Recovery Apportionment of \$8650.00 from the state (CHIPS) for street repair due to the harsh winter. We will use this money for street repairs this spring and the rest of the CHIPS money will be used on the Main St project.

Trustee Gajewski reported that water/sewer crews have been reading meters this month for the May billing. The digester status is improving but still not working fully to capacity. The bids for water plant clear water well were extremely high and are being reviewed by MRB. The crew has also been doing stakeouts for various construction projects.

12. TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Brennan: A Code Office meeting has been scheduled with Supervisor Wadsworth, Deputy Mayor Brennan and Code Officers Maxwell and O’Keefe.

A list of Code revisions has been compiled by Deputy Mayor Brennan and Clerk Mack along with the help of Code Officer O’Keefe. It will take another 45-60 days to bring the revisions to the Village Board and then to public hearing etc.

Trustee Wilcox: Bob noted that the Social Host law will involve an addition to the Village Code, Chapter 88, following the Nuisance Law section of the Code, Chapter 87. Chapter 88 will also need to be added to the Nuisance Law section so that it can count as one of the “strikes” against a property should an incident occur. A public hearing for Chapter 88 has been scheduled by the Board for the next meeting, April 20 at 5:15PM. Trustee Gajewski wondered if there might be a conflict with the nuisance law in that it doesn’t put responsibility on people that don’t know that the event is going on. This can be reviewed further before actually connecting the two sections of the Code.

Trustee Duff: Margaret attended the Emergency Management meeting held on March 30th. She reported that it was very informative. It was stressed that when an event occurs, rather than calling the State or Federal agencies, all calls should be handled by the County Emergency Management Office, Kevin Niedermaier, Director.

Trustee Gajewski: nothing further.

13. CLERK/TREASURER’S REPORT:

Clerk Merrick attended a webinar hosted by the Comptroller’s Office on the Tax Freeze certification process.

14. ADJOURN:

With no further business to discuss, Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to adjourn the meeting with second from Trustee Duff. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:26PM.

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk